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Violation of Eight-Hour Law at the Carnegie Library Alleged.

LABOR DAY COMMITTEE NAMED

Committee on Revision of Unfair List Makes Report—E. N. Richards, Paper Hanger, Taken From the Unfair List—Plumbers Have Grievance Against The Arlington Brewing Co.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.10 p. m. on Monday by President Dickman.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Grievance Committee reported progress on case of Bottlers against Finley & Son.

The Grievance Committee also reported on case of Plumbers against Arlington Brewing Co., which was accepted as report of progress.

CREDENTIALS.

Electrical Workers, No. 148: M. V. Murphy and E. J. Pearr, vice W. E. Meadfourd and G. H. Daddysman, resigned.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Frank Morrison, secretary American Federation of Labor, indorsing communication from H. A. Stemburgh, secretary of International Hod Carriers and Building Laborers Union, in which reference is made to formation of new Union by the International Laborers Union. On investigation it was learned that no Local as yet has been formed under the new organization, and Secretary Morrison to be so notified.

From Federated Trades Council, of Orange, N. J., calling attention to unfair attitude of H. B. Wiggins Sons & Co., manufacturerers of wall coverings. Placed on file.

From International Union of Flour and Cereal Mill Employes, referring to Washburn-Crosby Co. as still being unfair. Placed on file.

From Frank Morrison, secretary of American Federation of Labor, acknowledging receipt of per capita to May, 1905. Placed on file.

From Columbia Lodge of Machinists, No. 174, inclosing communication to Central body for such action as it may deem necessary. Placed on file.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Bookbinders: That the violation of the eight-hour law by an employing bookbinder, who is doing work in the Carnegie Library, was considered by Bookbinders Union, and that Union requested that the central body take the matter up for consideration. Referred to Legislative Committee.

Paperhangers: That they had won their strike and desired to thank various organizations for assistance rendered. They also asked that E. N. Richards be taken from the unfair list. The request was granted.

Retail Clerks: That they desired all names on "List We Do Not Patronize," placed by their Union, removed, except L. Rosenberg. The request was granted.

Stone Laborers: Submitted the following circular issued by Stone Contractors Association:

MASTER STONE CUTTERS ASSOCIATION.

WASHINGTON, *June 2, 1905.*

At a meeting of the Master Stone Cutters Association, of Washington, D. C., the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the wages to be paid stone yard laborers and laborers working with stone setters, shall be $1.75 per day of eight hours.

This resolution to go into effect June 5, 1905.

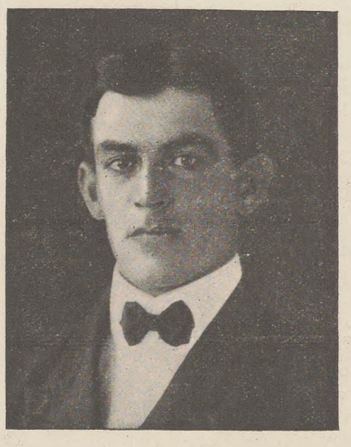
A committee was appointed to wait on the Granite Cutters Union and Stone Cutters Union, and ask assistance in aiding Stone Laborers Union in this matter.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Special Committee on "We Do Not Patronize List" Revision made a report, striking off a number of names from the list, but after a general discussion, a motion prevailed to make report of the committee a special order of business at next meeting.

The president appointed the following committee preliminary to formation of a Labor Day Committee: Delegates Spohn, Fox, Feeney, La Clair, Schmidt, McCarthy, Peoples, Ehrlick, Sprague, and Heisley.

Adjourned.



F. M. Biggs

F. M. BIGGS, THE HUSTLING BUSINESS AGENT FOR IRON WORKERS.

Brother Biggs, about this time, is one of the busiest men in town, for, with the large number of iron workers working all over town, besides those working in the jurisdiction of the Local, which extends "way up" into the mountains of West Virginia, where his men are busy erecting the bridges for the Wabash railroad, that have to be "looked over" about every three weeks, there is a splendid excuse for him working the "bike" overtime.

He is also president of his Local, and this keeps him quite busy on meeting nights, for most of those attending meetings try to make it interesting for church members by constant prayer, and 'tis his duty to see who prays next, or keep them all from praying together.

Before serving as business agent he was for two terms recording secretary, showing his ability so well that the Local concluded to give him the most responsible position they had—business agent. That he has "made good" seems the sentiment of all his friends.

He is a candidate to succeed himself at the next election, and explains his wishes quite frankly in this way: "If our members are satisfied with my past services, they'll re-elect me; if they ain't, why I ought not be re-elected."

The Donath Proposition.

The referendum vote taken by Columbia Typographical Union, on Wednesday, on the proposition to buy additional ground for Typographical Temple, resulted as follows:

	For	Against
First Division	22	119
Second Division	14	67
Third Division	18	60
Fourth Division	18	65
Fifth Division	27	55
Sixth Division	15	37
Record Proof Room	7	17
Job Room	34	73
Document Proof Room	13	79
Record Clerks	8	0
Official Gazette	14	30
Specification Room	33	137
Treasury	6	25
State	0	6
War	4	14
Navy	2	12
Agriculture	1	8
Library	1	10
Interior	5	8
Weather Bureau	0	11
Post	20	7
Star	27	18
Times	13	17
Judd & Detweiler	14	35
*Adams	..	..
Law Reporter	5	7
Wilkens	5	2
Globe	5	0
*National Publishing Co.	6	2
*Army & Navy Register	..	..
Crane	4	0
Pearson's	4	3
Robert's	0	4
Howard's	7	2
Sudwarth's	9	0
General Post Office	2	5
Secretary's Chapel	3	2
Total	366	938

* No vote turned in.

Death of A. P. Marston.

A. P. Marston, of the Foreman of Printing Office, G. P. O., died on Thursday night of consumption. Mr. Marston's illness was of short duration, covering a period of less than two weeks.

He was a prominent member of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, serving as its president in 1887, and as delegate to Detroit in '78 and and to Denver in '89. He was a conservative member of the Union, and when actively engaged in Union affairs his counsel was always given to moderation in action.

Mr. Marston was a member of G. P. O. Council, No. 211, National Union, and held many important positions in that organization.

QUIPS AND QUIRTS.

Don't knock on the other follow if you can't stand the gaff yourself.

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Root for the eight-hour workday that the tree of knowledge may take root among the toiling masses.

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Minister Grip, of Norway and Sweden, has gone back home to tighten himself officially perhaps.

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The Japs don't seem to care whether the Czar's mercy is tainted or not.

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G. P. O. Toast, No. 3.

Here's to Belcher,
Poet squelcher,
Puller of the plug!
Who angered "Pard,"
Jarred Krieter hard,
And butchered Adam Bugg!

Laughable, But True.

A load of coal, three negroes and a Daniels & Co. wagon filled with coal. The load of coal was destined for the Donnelly Printing Company's coal receptacle. The negroes were strangers in a strange land. They did not know Donnelly's coal hole from Low's coal hole, the next door neighbor. Donnelly's is a non-union plant, Low's is a union plant. The negroes didn't know. They took the cover from Low's coal hole and filled it with Donnelly's coal. They unloaded it all, only to find that they had filled the wrong coal hole. An effort was made to induce the Low company to retain and use the coal, and while the firm probably would have agreed to the proposition, the fireman and engineer dissented. They refused to use any coal brought in by strike breakers. Here was a dilemma. The coal reposed in Low's coal hole and no fireman or engineer to use it, Mr. Low demanded the space. After much unsatisfactory discussion between the interested parties the negro strike breakers were permitted to shovel the coal through an 8-inch hole back upon the wagon. Our informant says it took those three negroes the best part of two days to replace the coal on their wagon.—*Chicago Labor Bulletin.*

Royal Pilsen Beer on Draught at R. A. Driscoll's North Capitol and G street. Overholt whisky, 10c.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. of M., will give its annual excursion to Marshall Hall, Saturday, July 1, to which all trades unionists, their wives and sweethearts are invited. Everything will be done to make the outing agreeable.

At the last meeting of Columbia Lodge No. 174, I. A. of M., President E. L. Adams and Brother F. G. Eppley were elected auditing committee to represent the Lodge in auditing the books of the Grand Lodge. No. 193 will furnish the third member.

Arrangements are now being consummated to have the Hon. Terrence V. Powderly, late Master Workman of the Knights of Labor, address an open meeting of wage-earners at their hall Thursday, June 22. He will speak on the benefits of organization. Come and see us on that night all ye that are interested. The Machinist Band will furnish the music.

Speaking of the Machinist Band, I have a good joke on them. Every preparation had been made by the band to accompany the Naval Reserves on their annual cruise. When the time arrived there was one provision that had been overlooked. There was no law provided for their pay. This decision was kindly furnished them by General Harries, much to their regret.

Archie Giovianni, the apprentice who several months ago I reported as being so seriously injured, has reported for work. It was stated at the time that nearly all the flesh had been torn from his lower arm, and that his arm would have to be amputated. Thanks to improved methods in surgery his arm has been saved by changing parts of flesh from one portion of the body to another. Rabbit flesh was first attempted, but this proved a failure, so it was decided to cut sections of flesh from his thigh and graft to the arm. By this exchange a perfect arm has been constructed.

When the boys of Columbia Lodge assembled last meeting night it was observed that the platform had been enlarged. One member who had no fear of Presidential ire remarked that since President Adams had received the indorsement of his Lodge for the position of Grand Secretary and Treasurer he had grown too big for the former platform. This, however, was not the case, as I discovered the real cause was that he was wearing a pair of "sample shoes" furnished by the Union Outfitters to Men Store as an ad., and to further attract the attention of the members he wore on that occasion a pair of green socks beautifully embroidered with rose buds. Our President is great.

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The following circular has been posted on the bulletin board:

To the Employes of the Naval Gun Factory:

A suggestion has been made by a large number of men in the various shops that a complimentary outing or excursion for the needy mothers and children of Washington be provided by the employes of the Yard. As a result of this suggestion a committee has been appointed, composed of one from each shop, whose duty it is to enlist the support of every employe, and to carry out the arrangements for said outing. The first necessary step in order to make the undertaking a success is the providing a sufficient sum of money to cover all expenses. You are therefore earnestly requested to consider the great satisfaction and pleasure to be derived from assisting this movement with your influence and financial support, being assured that the people for whom this outing is provided are totally unable to provide any such pleasure for themselves. Let every man subscribe, not a large amount, but something so all will have an interest in this laudable enterprise. List for contributions will be in each shop June 10, by permission of the Superintendent.

J. L. Yoeckel,
Secretary.

H. T. LaClair,
Chairman Committee.

In connection with this circular I wish to state for the benefit of all trades unionists that for several years it has been the custom of the employees of Uncle Sam's Naval Gun Factory to provide a day's outing for the poor children and their mothers or guardians. Sufficient funds are now available to make the excursion this year a grand success. Everything will be provided by the committee to insure their guests a happy day.

Columbia Lodge will take an active part on the program which insures a successful outing.

Trades unionists, join with the boys on that day and make this testimonial to the orphans, the newsboy, and the bootblack a grand success. Remember the date, Friday, July 28, at River View.

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The question "How old is Ann" is of minor importance, when such a proposition as "How large is a fat woman," or "How much do a big man weigh," is being considered by the Engineer Commissioner. These arithmetical problems will have to be solved to a nicety before he can determine whether or not there can be through connections between this city and its two offsprings, Anacostia and Congress Heights.

It is now up to the Citizens Committee of these two suburbs to acquaint Colonel Biddle with facts and figures that he may be able to give a decision in the premises and relieve these two suburban districts of the charge that the atmosphere is so pure and living so cheap that these people who take up their residence there grow fat and the fat ones grow stouter.

Get busy, gentlemen, if you want through connection.

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RAIN DROPS OF WISDOM.

What is more beautiful and poetical than the child's idea of ice—"Water gone to sleep."

The slanderer differs from the assassin, in murdering the reputation instead of the body.

To be angry with an inferior is proof you are not his superior.

A great many human beings dig their graves with their teeth—by overeating.

Acts of kindness, gentle words, loving smiles—they strew the path of life with flowers, they make the sunshine brighter, and the green earth greener and he who bade us love one another looks with favor upon the gentle and kind-hearted.

A lie though it be killed and dead, can sting sometimes—like a dead wasp.

If a woman would have the world respect her husband she must set the example.

The readiest and surest way to get rid of censure is to correct ourselves.

Tim Tickle.

Labor News.

The New York City Brotherhood of Teamsters has decided not to strike against the Contractors' Protective Association in sympathy with the rockmen and excavators.

A conference of delegates from the various state Butcher Shop Employes' Unions in Australia was held in Melbourne recently with a view to the formation of a federated union of the trade.

Granite cutters at Philadelphia, Pa., have asked that their wages be increased, on the ground that under the new arrangement with stonemasons they would be forced to pay dues in two unions.

Oregon hop-field owners have effected permanent organization under the name of the "Oregon Hop-Holders' Protective Association," with offices at Salem, Ore. The object of the organization is to keep up prices.

The Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel, and Tinworkers has postponed for a year the proposition to organize the colored iron, steel and tinworkers of the South. The white employes of the Southern mills led the opposition.

Death of Samuel F. Elwood.

Samuel F. Elwood, a member of the Third Division Chapel, G. P. O., died at Providence Hospital on Thursday. Immediate cause of death was cancer. He was a member of G. P. O. Council, No. 211, National Union.

Charter Revoked.

It is reported that St. Louis Typographical Union, No. 8, having made a scale with the Typothetae of that city on a nine-hour basis, has had its charter revoked

A Thousand Years.

You may pay rent for a thousand years, and you will not own a brick or a plank in the house you have paid rent for all that time. Anyone who can pay rent can buy one of the houses I sell on monthly payments. Prices, $1,875 to $3,750. Write or call on

August Donath,
1328 Eighth street N. W.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

AFTER-DINNER DILATIONS.

Conditions are everywhere improving since the suggestion for "a square deal."

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There is justice in the eight-hour movement, which injustice is slow to recognize.

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Money spent in decorating the nose would be better employed in decorating graves or the home.

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Bureaucracies are sprouted from conscienceless mediocres, who covet "State secrets" and willingly do unto others those things which they would that others should not do unto them.

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Why should not the toilers realize dividends or reserve energy which comes from shorter hours as well as the capitalist his profits which come from exhausted energies with longer hours for the toilers?

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Those who oppose the eight-hour workday want the profits of the longer workday with which to meet the expenses of a more luxurious living, which is so essential to their comfort and happiness.

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The shorter workday means a larger pay-roll. A larger pay-roll means an increase in the number of able consumers and a lessening of the necessity to send abroad at reduced prices a surplus which would be better consumed at home.

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The *Typographical Journal* announces that it will supply delegates-elect with hotel rates for Toronto in the July number. Headquarters will be at the Rossin House, where prices vary, the lowest indicating the price without bath, which is dirt cheap.

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You probably have met the individual who is wonderfully brave when there is nothing to be afraid of, whose opinions are as susceptible of change as the sensitive weather-vane and to whom a word, frown or sign indicating disfavor is equal to a diagram or a signal to side step.

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If there is anything more exasperating than lumbago we are perfectly willing that the balance coming to us shall go to the fellow who has the time and patience necessary for the perfect enjoyment of such things. If we must have lumbago we must have Dr. Chadwick.

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Speaking of Rockefeller's "tainted money," James Monroe Kreiter says he would work industriously to wipe off the taint if Rockefeller would send him a million or more. Mr. Kreiter closes his offer without giving his residence number, thus confusing Mr. Rockefeller and making himself the extra trouble of calling at the general delivery window.

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J. B. Rogers, of Specifications, has purchased a home on Twenty-ninth street, northeast, a beautifully romantic and rapidly growing section, possessing the usual suburban advantages. The place bids fair to be the center of District population, when Bladensburg and Hyattsville are wiped from the map and Baltimore is taken in as a suburb. Tommy Tompkins has asked for a diagram of the route leading to Roger's new home, with the view of paying his friend a visit, but Rogers has so far discouraged the proposition by making it appear that the chicken crop of that section is a miserable failure.

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Col. Bryan will soon start out on his pilgrimage through foreign countries, for the purpose of studying social conditions and the methods in vogue where municipal or government ownership is established or is now in process of trial. Editorial supervision of *The Commoner* will be entrusted to Mr. Richard L. Metcalfe, late of the Omaha *World-Herald.* Foreign missions usually call for a considerable expenditure of money. If at any time during his travels Mr. Bryan should run short of funds he will find a valuable ally in Mr. Rockefeller, who is known to be deeply interested in foreign missions and who is in a position to render prompt and generous assistance.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 1905.

NOTICE.

During the months of June, July and August this office will be closed at 12 o'clock noon on Saturday.

No. 1, VOL. X.

We take occasion to inform our readers that we are now ten years old. This is considered a good age for a labor paper, as so many die a-bornin'.

To our many friends and readers we desire to extend our thanks for the support given the paper through its many vicissitudes and changes.

It is the earnest wish of the present management to extend the usefulness of the paper and make it a welcome visitor into the homes of the wage-earner and to place the labor organizations of this city in their true light when occasion demands it, and by so doing relieve the daily press from making a possible error in its treatment of the questions that arise in settlement of wage disputes between the employee and employer.

In the present agitation in other cities for continued aggressive tactics by Employers Associations to mimimize the effect of the Unions' influence, this city has fortunately been free, and this paper has not been called upon to make a defense of the position of any organization, but it stands ready and willing to do so when occasion calls for it.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

I recently received a copy of the Leavenworth (Kans.) *Labor Review*, published in what was a part of my "old stamping ground," which did me the honor to copy my story in the *American Federationist*, with this introduction:

Arthur F. Bloomer, who used to work on the Leavenworth *Commercial* thirty years ago, when H. V. Bisbee, now of Washington, D. C., was foreman of that sheet, is the author of the following pertinent story which appeared in a late number of the *American Federationist*.

J. F. O'Connor is the editor of the *Labor Review*, which has almost completed its fourth year and has therefore demonstrated that "it is here to stay," and I find a familiar name in R. V. O'Connor, secretary of the Trades and Labor Council, published in a list of officers, who I think is the Bob O'Connor I formerly knew at St. Joe.

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Every little while somebody tells me of some fellow for whom he indorsed in the "sym" who refused to pay his obligation. (I don't know how I happen to be the repository of so many deadly secrets—but that has nothing to do with it.) This sets me to wondering what such a fellow must think of himself when he holds a session on himself. (I think every man must put himself on the slab sometimes, run over the books, and take stock of himself—at least, I know I do, and even I am not always pleased with my inventory.) How he must hold himself in contempt when he remembers how he asked for the accommodation—pleaded for it even, telling the occasion of his need, and making the most solemn promises to make good—and how he deliberately beat a fellow-workman out of it! He may try to reason with himself that the "sym" is a money-making institution and therefore legitimate prey; but there his reasoning is faulty; the "sym" is not the loser, for the indorser has to pay it. He probably sees his defrauded friend every day—most likely works in the same room with him. Every time he sees him he must think of it. Sometimes he stops speaking to him, but none the less he must think of it—remember that he beat his friend out of money that he had to work for as hard as the defrauder works for his. I don't believe he can be pleased with himself.

No, nobody has beat me out of a cent. I was just a-thinking.

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The annual recital of the pupils of Mrs. Bessie N. Wild will be given at Pythian Temple on Wednesday evening, June 28, at 8 o'clock. Cards of admission (free) can be procured of Will E. Burchfield, Third Division; E. S. Wild, First Division, G. P. O., and of the pupils. The proficiency of Mrs. Wild's pupils is a guaranty of a delightful evening.

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While Oscar Hyler was suffering with his severe attack of pneumonia some weeks ago, William N. Brockwell, as chairman, took him his working card one day. Oscar was hovering between life and death, barely able to recognize his visitor, but as soon as his eyes fell on the figures on the card he bristled up.

"Bill," said he, "this is 20 cents too much."

"It can't be, Oscar," said Brocky. "I'm an old and experienced chairman and I never make mistakes."

"But it is," insisted Oscar, and he carefully went over the figures.

"You are right, Oscar," Bill finally admitted, "It's the first mistake I ever made, though. But I paid the secretary and it's entered on his books. I'll tell you what I'll do. If you *should* get well I'll deduct that much from your next card. Otherwise the amount is too small to bother with."

"Brockwell, I'm going to live just to get that 20 cents back," said Oscar.

This is undoubtedly the ground for Brockwell's claim that he saved Hyler's life.

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Two amendments to laws pertaining to the G. P. O. ought to be made by Congress—one that anyone not applying for his leave shall lose it; the other that anyone asking for overtime work shall be required to do it without pay. *Dammahaag evrawaar naalatym*, as the Dutch say. (Ax.)

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William S. Waudby, special agent of the U. S. Bureau of Labor, stationed at Buffalo, had a well-written article on "Shall the United States Suspend Immigration?" in the Buffalo *Progress* of June 8. Mr. Waudby is a forceful writer on whatever subject he addresses himself.

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I hear that a company in which A. G. ("Jos") Allison is interested, which has leased some oil lands in Texas, has sunk a well that is yielding 75 or 75,000 or 75,000,000 barrels a day—I forget which—any way, I hope it is true.

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There is ample encouragement for the trades unionist in the rapidity with which workingmen are being organized into unions. There is no trade requiring special education and skill that is not practically controlled by its union, and thousands of workers in unskilled occupations are being unionized. The moral effect of having all labor organized will be as great as its physical effect, for all business depends on the portion of humanity which works with its hands. It is true that the employers are organizing, but they can no more live on the patronage of the employing class than the latter class can employ themselves. It will result in a getting together of these interdependent classes and concession to the workingmen of a greater portion of the profits of business. It will not be many years before non-union goods will be unsalable, for the workingman is rapidly appreciating the fact that every dollar he expends for non-union goods is a dollar contributed to the enemy and that by its expenditure he constitutes himself an employer of scab labor. The world is moving in other directions. Five years ago a proposition for government ownership of monopolies awoke only expressions of impatience at the suggestion; now government ownership is seriously discussed in Congress and before its committees, in the newspapers in the pulpit, and in all gatherings of men—not yet favorably perhaps, but discussed—not sneered at as a wild Socialist dream, as formerly. The world is moving, and rapidly at that.

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I am opposed to abbreviations that are not self-evident or well recognized. In Boston craft publications there are frequent references to "B. T. U." This is plain enough to Bostonians as meaning "Boston Typographical Union," but outsiders can't understand why it might not as well refer to Baltimore, Buffalo, or Boonville Typographical Union. Our Chicago friends run it "C. T. U.," but have no more right to those cabalistic characters than those of Cincinnati, Columbus or Coonville—not to mention Columbia. Don't you think I have a kick there?

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One day last September, L. D. Wheeldon, of the Second Division, observed a little boy, about 4 years old, playing with some other boys, the thing which attracted his attention being that the boy was dressed in a child's "union" suit of underclothes and nothing more. Calling the boy, he asked:

"Does your mother let you play with the boys dressed that way?"

"Haven't got any mother."

"Where do you live?"

"In the alley there, at Clarence's house."

"Will you take me to the house?"

The little fellow was willing, and on inquiring Wheeldon was told that the boy had been there three or four days, but they did not know where he came from. Meeting no opposition, he took the boy to a police station and made inquiry whether such a boy had been lost, but the police had heard nothing of it. He then took the boy to a barber shop and had him washed and cleaned up, and then to a clothing store, where he was fitted out from head to foot, after which he took him to his boarding house and told the landlady to take care of him and he would pay the expenses, since which time he has had the boy with him. He says he intends to bring him up and educate him and make as good a man out of him as he is capable of making. Mr. Wheeldon was bereaved of his wife and children by one of those terrible Western cyclones a year or two ago, and the boy fits into his life and makes him feel as though something belongs to him.

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The "open shop" employers would be afraid to expose their "free workmen," commonly called "scabs," to the blandishments of union men by associating them together at work. Therefore the "open shop" is merely intended to be a shield to protect them from the odium of running the "scab shop," which it really is. Let us have a definition of terms: The "open shop" is open only to "scabs;" the union shop is closed only to the incompetent and the dishonest.

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Another paper started by printers during a strike, to make themselves something to do, and becoming a permanency by being purchased by men with money as an investment, is the Parkersburg (W. Va.) *Dispatch*. The *Times*, of this city, which had its beginning in that way, has been very profitable to printers in making work for them.

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Bernard H. Lane, for a number of years a proofreader in the main Proof Division, resigned last week to take a position in the Geological Survey. Though I have known him ever since his advent into the Proof Room, and knew him to be an educated gentleman, it is only since he has left us that I have learned of the extent of his accomplishments—that he is a doctor of medicine, a capable musician, and a linguist, though I had some inkling of the latter. I am sure that the Geological Survey is to be congratulated on his acquisition, as Dr. Lane is to be on gaining admission into a service where there are opportunities for promotion and where his talents will receive the fullest recognition.

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What I regard as a valuable example for my young friend Belcher is furnished by Winfield B. Johnson, of the same Division (the Third). He has just graduated from Wood's Commercial College and prepared himself to be useful in the world.

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I met Capt. J. Ligon King one evening last week, not having seen him since he left the G. P. O. until then. He is now a digest clerk in the Patent Office, a position for which his education and previous occupation as printer and newspaperman peculiarly fitted him, and I am not surprised to learn that he is giving the greatest satisfaction. He is another evidence that printers make the best Department clerks possible, though, of course, all printers are not as well equipped as he for that class of work.

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Edwin R. Davidson, of the Proof Division, graduated as a bachelor of laws at Georgetown University last Monday. I hope he may have a successful career.

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A recent letter from New York tells me that Harold Benedict will be a bachelor for three months while his wife, daughter, and grandson are in the Catskill Mountains; that Sam Phillips is fat and as gray as an October woodchunk that Walter Chase is bigger and stronger and more intellectual than ever; that McK. Jarvis and Charles L. Spencer were respectively "Anti" candidates for president and secretary of "Big 6," but defeated (of course); and that William J. White ("Australian Whitey") and James H. Campbell are editors at the American Press Association. These were all formerly G. P. O. people

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Tom Lawler, of Sunbury, Pa., whose candidacy for prothonotary of his county before the Democratic convention I have heretofore mentioned, received the nomination last week, and all he now has to do is to go in and get elected. He is too well known hereabouts to make necessary any explanation as to who he is.

A. F. BLOOMER.

The Ulterior Move.

A man there was who claimed to be a friend of all humanity, and everywhere and all the while he wore a broad engaging smile. "I love the man who toils," said he, "but he should be forever free from rules in every form, for unions do men naught but harm."

"The independent workingman," said he, "I think much better can get well along than he who tries with fellow men to organize. The union teaches strife and hate, supports the walking delegate, and makes a slave who should be free and working independently."

Much more he said of same effect till many people did expect this man would pay the best of wage to workingmen he might engage. And some there were who lost their head and into fighting unions led, until he had an "open shop"—and then his love had sudden stop.

With men he had disorganized one day he sprung a sad surprise by posting high a sign which meant a wage cut of nineteen per cent. And when the men complained he said: "Go each of you and soak your head. You have no union—no recourse—so yawp away until you're hoarse."

Alas, too late the men discerned their fingers had been badly burned. The man who claimed to love them so was really out for all the "dough." He didn't care a snap for men, but only used them up and then stopped up his ears and quick did flee to his fine cottage by the sea.

"In union there is strength," they say. Twas never truer than to-day. And men who listen to the pleas of Parryites may starve and freeze for all they think or feel or care—their open shop's not on the square. They merely want the unions dead so they can pay men less per head.

MORAL:

When men profess great love for you
Twere well all sides of them to view.—
Will M. Maupin, in Commoner.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

Not much doing this week.

George Schoeneman has been on the sick list.

C. W. Henshaw and George W. Newell are on leave.

Did you get one of those pretty little flags on Wednesday?

Philip Nachman (Slug 46) has announced his candidacy for delegate next year.

Application for leave for the next fiscal year, beginning July 1, are now in order.

During the week, W. Marden King and F. M. Penn returned from their annual leave.

The hosts of friends of J. H. Babcock will be glad to learn that he has been able to discard the use of his crutch.

Our sick—we are glad to learn that our sick members, Messrs. Sherman and Brodnax are reported to be improved.

On Saturday evening Mrs. Margaret Garrette, mother of Mr. Chas. F. Garrette, of this Division, had a stroke of apoplexy and died on Wednesday. Mr. Garrette has the sympathy of the Chapel.

The news of the serious illness of Assistant Foreman A. P. Marston came as a great surprise. The latest report announced that there was a slight change for the better. His many friends in the G. P. O. hope for his speedy recovery.

ROUGH WRITER.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

Third Division.

Brother C. C. Hipkins is the last to record his vote in opposition to the race suicide idea. A wee girl was born to him Thursday, June 8, at 11 o'clock a. m., weighing 12½ pounds. "They keep getting heavier every time," remarked Mr. Hipkins. Congratulations, papa!

Messrs. Barnhart, Hugdal, and Hambright, all of whom have been inhabitants of the Proof Room for a considerable period, have been transferred to frames in this Division since my last contribution was written. The first named is an M. D., having acquired his sheepskin a year ago. He informs me that he has not been at the case before in eight years.

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Last Saturday was Messenger John F. Warner's final appearance in that capacity, for on Monday, the 12th, he departed for the wilds of Oklahoma, exact destination unknown, in which Territory he has been assigned to a Government clerkship under the Interior Department. Mr. Warner's gentlemanly and obliging deportment while with the Third Division had won him the sincere respect and friendship of the whole force, and a proposition to give him a parting present in token of that friendship and of our unfeigned regret at his departure met with hearty co-operation from all.

On Friday at 11.40 a. m., Chairman Scott rapped the assembly to order, and in a moment the space in front of the cage was crowded with men. After stating the object of the meeting the chairman introduced Mr. T. Frank Hall, who, in a humorous but kindly speech, presented Messenger Warner with the Chapel's gift, a handsome suit case, which was accepted in a few graceful words. When he got time to examine his new acquistion carefully, Mr. Warner remarked, "That's a crackerjack!"

The following letter was placed on the bulletin board Saturday:

AUF WIEDERSEHEN.

Friends in the Third Division Chapel, Government Printing Office:

Realizing the impossibility of personally bidding adieu to each and every one, and acknowledging obligation for personal favors and uniform courtesy since my introduction into your midst, I take this means of more fully and clearly expressing my sentiments than was possible under the extraordinary conditions yesterday.

On first thought your remarkable effort to expedite my departure gave birth to a lurking suspicion that my daily task of recalling to your minds the daily (aye, sometimes hourly) symptoms of the fallibility of man had borne its logical fruit, and that I was being dismissed gleefully, and I felt like suggesting as much, but I knew that with the inborn disposition you have to stand for your "inalienable rights" you would likely take it to the chairman and have it "ringed" anyway, so I decided to "stet" the case.

While I should like to present to each one some token of remembrance showing my appreciation of this last evidence of your good will, more to be cherished by me than the gift, beautiful though it be, I am unable to proffer more than my personal thanks, and assurance of a tender and grateful remembrance.

Very sincerely,

J. F. WARNER.

Our former messenger goes to the scene of his new labors with the best wishes of every member of the Chapel.

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Mr. Too-Much Johnson, in one of his campaign journeys about the building, took occasion to say to a gentleman who balked when asked to support him, that he had "no use for friends he couldn't use." I wonder if Mr. A. F. Bloomer, who is the mouthpiece of the gang who runs things with a high hand in matters pertaining to Columbia Union, ever thinks what would become of him if he did a single, independent and manly thing? I wonder if he thinks he could think, write, and talk as he pleased, if it didn't meet with the tacit approval of the gang? Does Bloomer think, in short, that any man with any pretentions to decency would tolerate him for a single moment if he had not been bought, body and soul, by a certain clique who are careless of the means employed so long as the desired end is reached?

The coarse and vulgar attack upon me in last week's issue by the subject of this discourse, only emphasizes the true character of Bloomer.

I am not deceived by his cringing attempt to explain what he meant by his threat. That it was a threat, made in good faith, no one doubts. Neither does anyone doubt that Bloomer found on examination that it wouldn't work.

Bloomer's statement that, in referring to the late election, neither my "alleged facts" nor my "honest convictions" were my own, I regard as a reflection upon my honor. If Mr. Bloomer will prove that anybody influenced me in regard to the candidates at the late "election," either directly or indirectly, in the way in which he clearly infers, I will pay into the relief fund of Columbia Union the sum of fifty dollars, provided he agrees to forfeit a like sum for the same purpose in the event of his failure to produce proof of the truth of his assertion.

I presume it will surprise you, Mr. Bloomer, when I assert, with all the force at my command, that no man can vote me. I don't have to go to my foreman for orders on election day, nor on any other day. Do you?

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Ex-Chairman and Ex-Candidate Jos. E. Goodkey received last week the following letter from his friend and former associate in the correcting alley, W. Russell Branham, ex-Secretary of the Third Division Chapel:

FORT VALLEY, Ga., June 5, 1895.

DEAR JOE:

My hasty exit from the G. P. O. and the secretaryship no doubt surprised my Washington friends and acquaintances; but I contemplated such a move, but not such a hasty one. I am now sweating under the rays of a Georgia sun, but at night will feel comfortable under a little *kiver*. I left Washington for various reasons—health, happiness, gain and contentment. Already I have found some health, much happiness, and a little contentment; and in a few weeks will proceed to gain. The prospects for success are bright; the future seems clear, and the past does not loom up so cloudy as yesterday.

I think I did "a far, far better thing than I have ever done," and have come to a far, far sweeter rest than I have stumbled up against in several years. I left Washington because I felt my mind (?) getting somewhat weaker. In fact, Mr. Chairman, my mind was getting to be almost as weak as the one carried about by a certain officer of a certain chapel in the G. P. O.

I intended to bid all good-bye, but failed. I wish to thank everyone for the many jokes and kindnesses shown me—from the foreman to Soult, and from Slug 1 down to the all mark. Salute the ring alley with a holy kiss. Embrace Kemon for me. Commend me to everyone in the Third, and tell Salzman I need that tobacco; also Holton.

It is rumored that a Russian admiral is on the coast of Georgia. A Georgia paper said: "Rojes-ventsky, but never came backsky."

I wish you all success and happiness. Will write to my friends soon.

Peach crop fine; weather hot; health good; money scarce; happiness in abundance; but maybe after awhile all the pleasure I will have will be to scratch when I itch. If so, thank heaven red bugs are plentiful.

Excuse rambling words.

I remain, etc., sir,

Yours most truly,

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Sixth Division.

It's "Ian's" move next.

Blessed be the man who never looseth temper.

Edward S. Poole, Merg. 18, will rest the balance of the month, having started on leave of absence Monday.

The regular stated meeting of the Union occurs next Sunday. Don't stay away and then "beef" on the business that was transacted.

Harry Howe and Ed. S. Poole are two new recruits from this Division to the National Guard. Company B, Washington Light Infantry, has the honor.

"The noisiest noise that annoys is the click and the clatter of the linotype fiend, which our poor, weary nerves shatter," says Pikelet. Not so, Mc., not so. Those are Lanstons that you hear.

Last but not least to join the ranks of the battery is Claude E. Pendarvis, linotype machinist. Mr. Pendarvis, I understand, will act as range finder. Just what that is I don't know, but I am willing to bet Pen. will find it, whatever it is.

Gradually the boys who manipulate the keyboard are seeking other fields of labor. The latest resignation from the Sixth Division is that of William Ingram who resigned last Friday. Mr. Ingram goes to the Lone Star State, where he has secured a position as a Merg. operator.

Sydney Y. Cluxton and Charles B. George, linotype machinists, received their permanent appointments this week. Mr. Cluxton will immediately move his household effects from Rochester, N. Y., and he and his wife will establish a home in this city. Mr. George will continue to make his daily trips "back, back, back to Baltimore."

The Columbias, of the G. P. O. League, are beginning to show form as a base ball team. This may be accounted for by the fact that several of the old *Record* players, such as Bailey, Cotter, Smith, O'Connell, Rullmann, and some others whose names I cannot now recall, have joined the team since the disbandment of nine known as the *Records*.

Illinoisans, whether members of the State Association or not, are getting enthusiastic over the coming excursion of the Illinois Republican Association on July 3. Bonds of friendship are formed on these excursions which increase with time, and the coming excursion is looked forward to with much pleasure by the Sucker State people and their friends.

The cool, threatening weather of last Wednesday prevented a great many from going on the G. P. O. Council, National Union, excursion to River View, who otherwise would have been found with that popular organization. For the past three years G. P. O. Council has been up against the weather on the day set for its annual outings, but those who do attend report a royal good time—rain or shine.

John A. Heydler, of New York, private secretary to President Pulliam, of the National Base Ball League, was a caller in this Division on Monday. Mr. Heydler was an employee of this office during the Harrison administration, and for several years a machine operator on the Washington *Star*. His successful career as a private secretary is another demonstration that the very best stenographers and confidential clerks are those taken from the ranks of the printers.

"Little Willey" the *Post* correspondent, is failing to make good on a weekly report. Admitting that its a pretty hard job to do a weekly correspondent stunt, it is hoped the *Post* man will enlighten us as often as possible. And I would like to hear from "J. H. B." of the *Star*. If my good friend Herbert doesn't wish to "take his pen in hand," he can knock off a few stanzas on the linotype, which will be accepted by the TRADES UNIONIST as A1 type written matter. Anyhow, we all wish to hear from the *Star*.

W. H. Cornish, Merg. 4, has joined the D. C. battery company. I am positive he will enjoy the coming encampment, for I have it from an auburn-haired young man of this room who was with them last summer that all he will have to do will be to assist in pulling the big cannon up the hills and then following on a run down again, etc. When not employed on these cross-country runs his duties in the horse tents will be sufficient to keep him from the temptation of wandering very far away from the camp site.

Andrew Bailey, (sometimes called Bill), linotype machinist for the Job Room, had a peculiar experience on the Mahone lot a week or so ago. While at the bat a wild pitch struck Andy on the port side, causing him to list about forty degrees, and finally lie down on the grass for a few moments rest. A bystander, thinking he had fainted, grabbed the water bucket, and dashed the contents, ice and all, into his face. Then there was something doing, and another story might have been written to this episode had not the gentleman with good intentions beat a hasty retreat.

When somebody says something that exactly expresses one's sentiments, I can see no harm in using what the other fellow says. Its been a pretty hard job to scratch up news in this Division lately, and I imagine I am in the same boat with the Rabbit Creek correspondent of the Adams (Ga.) *Enterprise*, who says: "There is no news here to speak of in this here settlement. Bud Spurlin was bit by a rattlesnake and two moccasins yesterday and is feelin' unwell at this writing. But as I said before there is no news, and will close wishing success to the paper and all good citizens." Them's my sentiments.

There aint no news in this Division.

In the last issue of the *Linotype Journal* is an article which every printer or operator who is interested in the mechanical construction of the machine should read. The opinion prevalent among most printers or operators that to be a successful linotype machinist one must be familiar with the lathe and other mechanical devices found in a machine shop is held to be, by the Linotype Company, entirely wrong. A thorough knowledge of the machinists' trade is a mighty nice thing to know in this connection, but a thorough knowledge of the printers trade, along with a perfect familiarity with the linotype machine and the work required of it, will enable most any printer of ordinary intelligence and a slight mechanical turn of mind to put himself into a position whereby he will be able to take charge of a one or two machine plant for which there is a great demand from all parts of the country. Ten thousand machines are now in daily use, and the capacity of the factory taxed to its utmost to keep up with the demand. The printer whose future lies in the printing office can do nothing better than put in a few of his spare hours in the study of the machine.

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TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

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The Views of One.

W. E. KENNEDY.

Dear Sir: I would request you allow me space in your valuable paper to say a few words on the question of the formation of a successful Building Trades Council.

At the present time there are two such organizations in the city, namely, Council of Allied Building Trades and Washington Local, Structural Building Trades Alliance, and naturally each one claims to be in the best position to protect the interests of their several affiliated trade unions. I am sorry to say there is not a single instance since January 1, 1905, where either body has accomplished anything toward the betterment of any affiliated trade union, and in my opinion, so it will remain so long as the several unions of the building trades industry are divided into two separate, independent and antagonistic bodies.

The Hoisting and Portable Engineers, Local Union No. 77, I. U. S. E., of which I am a member, is affiliated with the Washington Local, Structural Building Trades Alliance, because it is a building trades organization with an international affiliation, which, I think, is most essential to the success of any organization, whether a single trade union or a council of several trade unions.

Take for instance, when a trade union is organized, the first step they take is to secure a charier from the international of that trade. If the protection of international affiliation is so essential to the welfare of the trade union, why is it not just as essential to the welfare of a trade union council?

What we need in this city is a council of building trades with an international affiliation if possible, and I believe such a thing is possible.

In the recent past the effects of a Building Trades "and Labor" Council were tried, and we all know that organization was not successful from any point of view.

So, brothers, let's bury the antique "Washington hatchet," get together and organize a Building Trades Council.

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Among The Building Trades

EDITED BY W. E. KENNEDY.

We are informed that the request of the Steam Fitters to the Plumbers, mentioned in these columns last week, has been met, and that the President of the Plumbers appointed a committee, composed of men noted for their conservatism and "horse" sense.

When these gentlemen meet we hope to be able to say they have effected a satisfactory settlement, and that both of these bodies—that never had any personal difficulties—have resumed their harmonious relationship.

Let your national officers fight out your jurisdiction claims, boys. That's what they get salaries for—*not for embroiling you in their messes;* and if their salaries would stop until it was settled how quickly they *would* settle it.

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NO. 26 ELECTRICAL WORKERS.

This Local appointed five delegates to the Structural Alliance—Brothers Kennedy, Burke, Purcell, Neal and Hebbard.

Edward Nothnagel, who has been business agent for this Local for two years, resigned at the last meeting. The Local accepted his resignation with much regret, as they have always appreciated his painstaking and faithful services. Along with another member, George Ellerbrook, the firm of Nothnagel & Ellerbrook is now ready to divide honors with the other electrical contractors in this city, and have opened an office in the Walter Building.

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CARPENTERS.

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners are establishing a new branch in this city, and it is interesting, not only to Carpenters, but to many other trade unionists what benefits accrue to those who may desire to affiliate with them.

This Society has been in existence since 1860, and what they agree to do they have never yet failed. It only shows, how, on a comparatively small cost for dues, a mechanic can reap benefits, and particularly at a time when they are most needed.

For example: A member who may be out of work for twelve weeks can draw from his Local $3.50 a week.

If you lose your employment because some one steals your tools or they are burnt up in the building, both of which frequently happens, he is immediately entitled to unemployed benefits for loss of his tools.

If you have been sick and are unable to secure work, when you feel able to do it you are immediately entitled to unemployed benefits, $3.50 per week.

If your employer concludes that you are too active as a Union man, and "fires" you, you get full wages and cost of removing family to some other place where you can get work.

If you are totally disabled, through an accident, from following the trade again, you are entitled to $700; if partially disabled $350.

If you die your family gets $84 funeral benefit; if your wife dies you get $35 funeral benefit.

These are only a portion of the benefits coming from the Society. There are many others, which any of their members will tell you of, and to get all of these it costs you—if you are a non-union Carpenter, *a small initiation fee* and dues ranging from 35 to 45 cents a week.

On Friday, June 16, this Society will hold a District Summons Meeting. After transacting the business of this meeting they will finish up the evening by a smoker, to which all carpenters of the city are most cordially invited.

For any information regarding affiliation with the new Local, call on W. F. Gilmore, their business agent, who can be found each day at Building Trades Hall, Sixth and G streets northwest.

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STRIKE SETTLED.

The Bridgemen and Hoisting Engineers have returned to work on the new highway bridge, and the adjustment of the engineers' wages will be settled by arbitration. As the engineers are only asking for the same wages that are being paid on the other jobs in the city there is little doubt of what the decision will be.

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ELECTRICIANS IN THE NAVY YARD.

The record Mr. Bonaparte has established for fairness encourages us to believe that he will remedy one of the glaring cases of injustice that the electricians in the Yard have had to contend with, notwithstanding the fact that the rules governing the Yard says that at stated intervals the Labor Board shall meet, and after ascertaining the wages paid to mechanics in that locality, adjust the wages paid in the Yard to a similar basis.

This Labor Board has been meeting with painful regularity for the past four years, and while they seem to find out the scale paid to most of the other mechanics, yet they have never found out that electricians receive more than $3.02 a day. They surely have not made inquiry from any of the electrical contractors in the city for they (*not the* Western Union or Postal Telegraph Co. who employ linemen) have been paying their mechanics $4.00 a day for nearly two years; $3.50 for two years before the $4.00 went into effect. Is it not time—four years—for this Board to learn something about the wage scale of electricians? Let us hope so; but when they do it will be because their attention has been called to it by Mr. Bonaparte.

While the Navy Yard is about the worse case in this particular line, yet there seems a disposition on the part of all the Departments (except the Government Printing Office, War College, and Insane Asylum) to get electricians to work under the established scale of the city.

At the time the scale was $3.50 a day the Interior Department wired their buildings and told them they could not afford to pay but $3.00. The Pension Office was wired under the supervision of Mr. Hill (now deceased) of the Treasury Department, and though it was done under the personal supervision of one of his regular employees (at that time) Mr. Dave Hess, who was—by turning in overtime for himself while the men were working from eight to sixteen hours a day— "knocking out" $10 and $15 a day (possibly in addition to his regular salary), yet he, too, could only "afford to pay the men $3.00 a day" when the scale was $3.50. The Treasury Department a year or so ago also did a lot of work in that building. Part of it was contracted for by John Mariner & Son, and his men were working there for $4.00, while Mr. Hills could only "afford to pay $3.50 for exactly the same class of work." Out at Soldiers' Home an exactly similar case occurred. In fact, with the exceptions of those buildings mentioned, the electricians have always found that the Government was the only party doing electrical work that was too poor to pay the prevailing scale of wage.

If this matter ever does come to the attention (and it will) of the President of the "Square Deal," there'll be something doing "among these under officials that plead the poverty act for an excuse to work mechanics lower than their scale of wage, so they can make a record for themselves—for doing their work cheaply, because they secured their labor—*not* material—under the market price.

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Joseph R. Buchanan, labor editor of the New York *Evening Journal*, had a most instructive article in *Progress* recently under the title of "Money Makes the Mare Go," showing organized labor how one cent a day in three years would accumulate for a defense fund the snug sum of $21,900,000, and with such a fund, predicting but few strikes, etc.

It was hardly off the press before the *Daily Trade Record* replied, showing how useless such a fund would be, and if it was accumulated how it could be "tapped" by the employers going in one on a $1 a day basis.

To even show us our strength is—to the employers—a signal for their mouthpieces to show us how futile 'twould be. Some of these days, we'll get foolish enough to try the Standard Oil methods: "fight money with more money." Does anyone question the result?

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If ex-Secretary Morton has taken that charmingly frank nature of his into the Equitable, and Superintendent Hendricks gets an inkling of the insurance laws being violated, all Mr. Hendricks will have to do is follow the precedent established by the Interstate Commerce Commissioners—catch him—he'll "fess up."

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THE STRUCTURAL ALLIANCE.

The futile attempts in the past to form Councils for the purpose of cementing the trades in the building industry into a perfect body has caused many of our trade unionists much discouragement. It now seems possible that the branch of the Structural Alliance recently organized in this city will be a success, as a large number of the building trades are affiliated with it, and have reason to believe that the other trades will join with them in the very near future.

The necessity for its formation is very much in evidence, for it is very noticeable how thoroughly the employers are organized. All disputes now are settled by the trade affected and the Master Association. Some, if not all of these employers, are also members of a National Association and all have their parent body, the Employers Association.

Have you ever thought, Brothers, that any of these master employers could, with the aid of the Employers Association, select any one trade here, import in enough "strike breakers" to take your places, suffer the inconvenience of waiting until these "strike breakers" became proficient, *much easier than you could afford to suffer the loss of time;* and when one Union was "put out of business"—pick up another.

This, my "Doing Well Enough" Brothers, could be done, and these masters are much wiser to their strength than you seem to be to your weakness. So why not awaken to the fact, and join your fellow tradesmen in the Structural Alliance. No time is more opportune than now, for all the trades are well organized, hence no loss of time could occur from that. All of them are receiving what they consider a fair wage, with but few exceptions, and these would cause you no loss of time, for they are promised a fair wage in the very near future.

One of the cardinal principles of this Alliance is to settle differences with their employers *without a strike*, so instead of taking greater chances of being mixed up in a strike by being affiliated with it, your chances are poorer on the outside, for sympathy for some trade has very often caused another trade to strike. If you are all in the Alliance there'll be no "sympathy" needed.

To sum it all up there seems a brighter prospect for closer unionism among the building trades now than there has been for years, and to any thinking trade unionist *a greater need.* Will you not forget past differences, come join us, so that in this time of need we can—when we are right—present an unbroken rank to our opponent? If we do this, "Labor" *will* be "King."

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

Discussion on Suspension of the Unfair List was Prolonged.

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George J. Schuerger Taken From Unfair List—Arlington Brewery and Plumbers Case Settled—Night Watchmen Want to Affiliate with A. F. of L.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.15 p. m. on Monday by President Dickman.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, after correction by delegate from Clerks Union.

CREDENTIALS.

Stationary Firemen: John R. Hartley, Henry M. Jett, Newton A. James, Fred Tarlton, and J. D. Bland.

Columbia Typographical Union: John B. Dickman, T. M. Ring, H. W. Templar, F. C. Roberts, and J. W. Allerton.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The special order of business being the report of the Special Committee on Revision of "List We Do Not Patronize," the Union proceeded to consideration.

The discussion was prolonged over a motion to abolish the list and give Local Unions privilege to again place unfair firms on the list at a future time, when passed on by the Grievance Committee.

An amendment to cease publication of the list as a whole, and that the Central Labor Union select a name from the list and concentrate, its efforts in that direction, was adopted.

On motion the Special Committee on Revision of "List We Do Not Patronize" was discharged.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Bakers Union No. 118, notifying central body that grievance against George J. Schuerger had been adjusted and asking that he be taken from the unfair list. Request granted.

From Ceramic Mosaic and Encaustic Tile Layers and Helpers International Union, No. 2, protesting against taking from unfair list the National Mosaic Company. Placed on file.

From Typographical Union, inclosing communication from Samuel Artz, plumber, which was ordered sent to central body for information. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Journeymen Stone and Marble Cutters Association, stating that communication from central body relative to Stone Laborers lockout was referred to their executive committee. Placed on file.

From Dr. Thomas Miller, asking for information relative to disposition of certain prizes given in automobile events last Labor Day. Referred to Executive Committee.

From Printing Pressmen Union, No. 1, inclosing communication from Philadelphia Printing Web Pressmen Union, No. 16, asking that Philadelphia *Inquirer* be placed on unfair list. Placed on file.

From Bakers Union, No. 118, submitting a grievance against John Bender, baker, 2127 G street northwest, and asking that he be placed on the unfair list. Referred to Grievance Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Grievance Committee reported that a settlement had been reached with the Arlington Brewing Co.

The Grievance Committee also reported that it had failed to secure information relative to grievance of Firemen against American Ice Co. Firemen requested to meet committee and give desired information.

NEW BUSINESS.

Delegates from Washington Lodge of Machinists reported that grievance of that organization against E. A. Catlin & Co. had been adjusted and requested that firm be taken from unfair list. Request was granted.

The chairman of Labor Day Committee reported that a meeting of the committee would be held on Friday evening.

Delegate Wells submitted a request from Night Watchmen's Protective Association for an organizer. Organizer Spohn was given charge of the matter

Adjourned.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

William Steele, a helper in the Naval Gun Factory, met his death in Twining City last Sunday, by being shot to death by a man named Pruitt. Young Steele was very much liked in the shop and his death is to be deplored.

The Navy Yard Band has been instructed to give a concert every Saturday afternoon on the public play ground located on Georgia Avenue southeast, between Ninth and Eleventh streets. A band stand has been provided and the concerts will be held between 5 and 7 o'clock.

George Cunningham, leadingman in Gun Shop, has tendered his resignation. Mr. Cunningham retires on account of age, he being in his seventy-ninth year. He has been employed in the Yard nearly three score years. During that long period it is said with credit to his administration that he never made an enemy.

Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. of M., held a special meeting Sunday last for the purpose of electing three delegates to represent said Lodge at the National Convention to be held in Boston in September next. Messrs. H. C. La Clair, Wm. H. O'Donnell, and Thomas Carroll were selected, with E. L. Adams, Wm. H. Adams, and O. T. Beaumont as alternates.

When Brother William H. Waters, of West Gun Carriage Shop, returned to work from his wedding trip, which was spent in the Adirondack Mountains, he was agreeably surprised to find his machine decorated with numberless old shoes, bags of rice, and many articles of wearing apparel only worn by very small people. Good luck to you, Billie, and may you have use for all your presents so graciously bestowed by your shopmates.

With the incoming of the new fiscal year a change in the management, will take place in the Yard. Rear Admiral Higginson will retire from age. No appointment will be made to fill the position of Commandant, as that position will virtually die with his retirement. Under the new order of things Captain E. C. Pendleton will assume control of the entire Yard under the title of Superintendent of Naval Gun Factory. It is reported that he will retain that position until October, when he will be relieved by Captain Eugene Lentze a former superintendent of the Gun Factory.

Master Mechanic John Greensmith, of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co., Newport News, Va., was in the city last Sunday looking for machinists. His attempt to capture some of the boys in the Yard who formerly was employed at that place, proved a failure. Before coming to this city he was in Baltimore and Philadelphia advertising for machinists, but notwithstanding that he offered good inducements he was unable to secure one mechanic. This speaks well for the craft and the influence of Unionism. John done some scabbing himself in years gone by, and has no use for a Union man. The boys are now giving him some of his own medicine and they have no use for John.

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A few days ago the Secretary of the Navy signed contracts with the Midvale and Bethlehem Co. for guns, gun carriages, and gun sights for more than $1,000,000 that should have never left the Naval Gun Factory. I am informed that the bid of these corporations were far in excess of that submitted by the officials of the Naval Gun Factory, and notwithstanding this fact the work was given out by contract.

Will the business men of this city ever wake out of their Rip Van Winkle slumber, or will they be like unto the trio appointed by the Commissioners to reform the different departments in the District Building.

The Legislative Committee of Columbia Lodge of Machinists last winter exerted every effort to induce the business men of this city to join with the management of the Yard in advocating before Congress the necessity of an increase in the plant, whereby all gun and gun carriage work for the Navy might be done here.

It was clearly shown to them that if the recommendations of Captain Pendleton were approved by Congress $1,000,000 more in wages would find its way into all channels of business yearly. They were both blind and deaf to the appeal, and the commencement has now been made that if not remedied will soon place the Naval Gun Factory in the category of a repair establishment. I trust this will be an object lesson to every merchant in this city and that they will awaken before Congress again convenes.

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Dr. Caciac Richardson, engineer, East Gun Carriage Shop, is one of the most profound thinkers of the age. One morning last week he discovered a pronounced knocking in his engine, which in a few moments besame so severe as to threaten the destruction of that machine.

A committee of experts were called in consultation. They whereased and resolved, but their diagnosis brought no good results. It was at this point that the doctor proved his knowledge of engine anatomy.

"It is a case of engine cramp," said Dr. Caciac to Foreman Smithson.

"A new disease," queried Smithson.

"No," answered he doctor, "I discovered it several years ago down in old Virginia, and if you will allow me to prescribe I will relieve it at once."

Permission being granted, he at once went to his laboratory and returned with a bottle of his patent Double X, One Minute Lightning Pain Destroyer. Injecting a full dose into the high pressure cylinder the pain subsided, the knocking ceased at once, and the engine glided to its work.

Dr. Caciac is a wonder, and the talk of the Yard.

TIM TICKLE.

AFTER-DINNER DILATIONS.

The workday is shortened only as the demand is made imperative, and the demand can be made effective only through organization.

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No design that we think of just now would be more appropriate than a miniature hammer as a paper-weight for TRADES UNIONIST scribes.

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It is the fashion to assert that labor wants too much, and that goes; but when capital is accused of wanting more than its share the howl is simply deafening.

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If anyone was dissatisfied with the result of the vote on the Donath proposition he has not signified it in a way which would indicate that a recount will be necessary.

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The open-door advocate is likewise friendly to the open-door policy which admits the objectionable immigrant as a means of cheapening American labor, and in this he is consistent.

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A Virginia bank was recently opened with prayer by its president. In view of the history furnished by a number of this same class of bank presidents the Virginia incident affords little if any additional encouragement to depositors.

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The insistence of the *Typographical Journal* that its contributors shall attach their own names to articles instead of employing *nom de plumes* has led to some entirely new discoveries in names, and, strange to say, only one Smith and not a Jones among the lot.

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Several of the toilers on Connecticut avenue and the deep lawn residential portions have closed their blinds and put out for the seashore or mountain resorts. As a rule these people who get away early are opposed to good wages and the eight-hour movement.

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It would be a graceful act if ministers of the Gospel throughout the length and breadth of this land would set apart a portion of Sunday, September 3d for a discourse on social questions, not forgetting the universal eight-hour proposition. The occasion would be appropriate and the theme of timely interest, especially since the day following will be Labor Day. A single trial might result in an annual custom.

CYCLE.

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COLUMBIA UNION MEETING

Resolutions on St. Louis Union's Action Adopted Unanimously.

NEWSPAPER SCALE OPENED UP

New Officers Installed—Times Management Satisfied With Present Scale—Saturday Half Holiday Over Time at an Advanced Scale.

The regular monthly meeting of Columbia Typographical Union was called to order at 2.30 p. m. on Sunday, President Berg in the chair.

In the absence of the regular doorkeeper, J. W. Leeper was appointed to that position for the session.

Reading of minutes of last meeting dispensed with.

Traveling cards received since last meeting were read and accepted.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.

The Membership Committee made following recommendations:

That favorable action be had on apprentice membership application of Gary E. Walters, and that applications for full membership of Oscar Buhrman and Mrs. Carrie Jacobs be also considered favorably.

That G. Homer Dooley be transferred from apprentice to full membership.

That J. R. McBride be transferred from the passive to the active roll, and that further time be given case of W. M. Conn.

The Union having considered the report of the committee, the recommendations were adopted and candidates present duly initiated.

Bills for printing and supplies, and for premium on officers' bonds, amounting to $119.60, were read and ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From American Federation of Labor, asking assistance for striking teamsters at Chicago. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Chicago Federation of Labor, asking assistance for United Garment Workers of America. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Publishers Association of Washington and *The Evening Star*, giving notice of opening up the down town scale. Referred to Eight Hour Committee.

From Arthur D. Marks, of the *Times*, expressing entire satisfaction with the scale under which the *Times* has been working for the past two years. Referred to Eight Hour Committee.

From Pittsburg Typographical Union, No. 7, asking indorsement of that city for I. T. U. Convention of 1906. Referred to delegates to I. T. U.

From James M. Lynch, president I. T. U., dismissing appeal of Joseph E. Goodkey for recount of ballots cast at recent election. Placed on file.

Telegram from President Lynch, giving notice of the suspension of St. Louis Typographical Union by the Executive Council for negotiating scale calling for a nine-hour day.

President Berg stated that a telegram of protest had been sent to St. Louis Union. On motion, the action of the president was concurred in.

In this connection Mr. Kidd offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Whereas St. Louis Typographical Union, No. 8, has concluded a contract with book and job employers in contravention of the eight-hour provisions of the International Typographical Union, thereby compelling the Executive Council to suspend said Union from the fellowship and protection of the International body; therefore

Resolved, By Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, that the action of the St. Louis Union is regarded as destructive of that discipline necessary to our well-being; inimical to that perfect unity, mutual confidence, and complete concord so long the rule and practice of the craft, and tending to jeopardize the opportunity of St. Louis Union to share in the eight-hour day so soon to be secured to every member on the continent;

Resolved, That we respectfully, yet firmly, protest to St. Louis Union against this action, and urge a speedy revocation of the contract, to the end that there may be no rift in the ranks of the International Typographical Union in our advance to a long deferred, though justly earned, condition of greater prosperity and position of wider opportunity;

Resolved, That we indorse the action of the Executive Council and pledge our earnest support of all efforts to carry out the eight hour program submitted by the 1904 convention and adopted by the referendum.

Communication from E. J. Booram, asking for certain privileges in connection with church printing. Referred to officers to notify Mr. Booram that Union was not in a position to pass upon the matter.

Communication from President Lynch giving notice that the Washington *Times* has signed an International arbitration contract. Placed on file.

Mr. Dickman, from Central Labor Union delegates, reported action taken on various matters in that body.

Mr. Dickman also presented a letter from Public Playgrounds Committee, asking aid for that project. On motion, $25 was appropriated for that purpose.

The delegates to the Central Labor Union were given power to act in reference to discontinuance of publication of printing firms on "List We Do Not Patronize."

Mr. Dickman, from delegates to Central Labor Union, presented the following resolution on the death of E. W. Patton:

Whereas it has pleased the Ruler of the Universe to call from our midst on May 4, 1905, E. W. Patton, a fellow-delegate to the Central Labor Union, and an honored member of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101; and

Whereas it is but just that we express our appreciation of his manly qualities and his untiring efforts to benefit his fellowman; that in publishing a labor paper of high standard, ever espousing the cause of labor, he rendered a service to organized labor of inestimable value; therefore be it

Resolved, That in the death of E. W. Patton, Columbia Union, No. 101, mourns the loss of a faithful member, and organized labor generally an earnest advocate and true friend.

Resolved further, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this Union, a copy furnished his bereaved relatives, and a copy be given to the *Typographical Journal* for publication.

JOHN B. DICKMAN,
T. C. PARSONS,
J. C. WHYTE,
C. E. DIETRICH,
Delegates to Central Labor Union.

The Grievance Committee reported on case of Kahn Tailoring Co., of Indianapolis, Ind., approving action of Indianapolis Central Labor Union. They also reported on case of Samuel Artz, plumber, 3010 M street northwest, inclosing a letter from Mr. Artz, which they desired sent to the Central Labor Union for action. Recommendation of committee concurred in.

The President announced five deaths since last meeting. He also announced the result of the referendum vote on Temple proposition, as follows: For, 366; against, 938.

The Secretary presented the bonds of the officers of the Union, which were approved by the Union.

The President then installed the officers for the ensuing year, and in turn was installed as president by ex-President John B. Dickman.

The President announced the following standing committees:

Business—H. F. Sauter, chairman; John O'Donnoughue, J. C. Macksey, E. P. Stanley, and C. I. Willey.

Nominations—W. N. Brockwell, chairman; Chas. B. Buchanan, Wm. L. Gutelius, Frank D. Smith, and Geo. A. Seaman.

Law—Chas. H. Ennis, chairman; Dexter S. Hussey, and Edward S. Moores.

Finance—J. E. Payne, chairman; J. M. McLaughlin, and R. E. Stenner.

Printing—C. S. Gunn, chairman; W. V. Smith, and Isaac B. Fields.

Grievance—W. T. Hastings, chairman; Frank Lerch, Hugh Everett, E. Y. Fisher, and H. C. Knapp.

Entertainment—T. L. Jones, chairman; J. R. Purvis, T. J. Fitzwilliam, E. L. Redfield, C. E. Slentz, Miss Laura B. Gordon, and N. P. Moyer.

Library—Clyde J. Sheriff, chairman; A. E. Ogg, and Harry Essex.

Relief—Joseph G. Stelle, chairman, A. M. LeMerle, and Jos. C. Whyte.

Eight Hour—T. C. Parsons, chairman; F. B. Crown, Joe M. Johnson, Frank A. Kidd, and J. M. Kreiter.

Memorial Service—Philip S. Steele, chairman; S. J. Gompers, Wiley Davis, E. S. Wild, and Henry W. Weber.

Amos J. Cummings Memorial—J. T. Rowe, chairman; C. T. Graff, and T. A. Bynum.

The amendment providing for further amendment to Section 18, Article II, was laid over for one month.

F. C. Roberts presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Eight Hour Committee.

Whereas the time is drawing near for the inauguration of the eight-hour day; and

Whereas in order to make this city a strictly eight-hour union town; therefore be it

Resolved, That the President shall appoint a committee of five whose duties it shall be to try and bring within the folds of our Union the non-union men now working at the trade within the jurisdiction of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101.

Philip S. Steele presented resolutions on the death of Beriah Wilkins, which were adopted.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to notify the Typothetæ of the resolution adopted by this Union in May, 1904, requiring price and a half time being paid where Saturday half holiday is observed for work done after 1 p. m.

F. C. Roberts spoke to a question of personal privilege and dwelt on a general statement of conditions in the labor world.

The Union then adjourned.

Undesirable Immigrants.

It is almost possible to hope that something is about to be done concerning the present tremendous and menacing increase of immigration into the United States. The President has taken a decided stand on the question, and perhaps—let us not be too sanguine—Congress will dare to take it up next December. When we recall that one million foreigners have landed since July 1 last year, adding a population equal to that of eighteen states, and that most of these foreigners have come, not on their own initiative, but because of the efforts of steamship companies, employers of cheap labor, and the police of Europe, the problem seems to be important enough to demand attention.

An ugly aspect of the immigration problem has arisen in Austria-Hungary. Marcus Brown, an agent of the United States Government, was fined by the authorities of Austria-Hungary for investigating their efforts to send criminals to America. He discovered that 180 out of 280 criminals set free over there had come to America. The methods employed include a secret agreement between the Hungarian Government and the Cunard Steamship Company for the delivery of all Hungarian emigrants at the port of Fiume at a fixed price. It seems to be about time that European governments should be taught a sharp lesson on this subject. We do not need to import alien criminals, paupers, and the insane for the benefit of those who are directly responsible for the care of these classes.—*Epworth Herald.*

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll. N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

Germany Progressive.

In Germany, under public ownership of railways, the fourth-class rate is 8-10 of a cent per mile. In this country the people traveling for pleasure can get low priced excursion rates, but workmen looking for jobs must pay full fare from town to town. Prof. Paul Darmstaedler, of Berlin University, in an article published in the *Examiner*, says:

"As far as water, gas, electricity and street cars are concerned, there is no question that municipal ownership is best, for in these times of capital combination it is impossible to have competition. The policy is firmly established in Germany and Switzerland and partially so in Austria, Italy, and England.

"There is a tendency in Germany to greatly and favorably widen the scope of labor legislation, in the regulation of the length of a day's work, women and children labor, arbitration courts, the permanency of employment, the enforcement of prohibition of Sunday labor, enforcement of sanitary construction of lodgings for laboring people, controlling the power of the trusts, and the protection generally of the rights of workingmen."

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Professional.

Two little girls, chancing to become neighbors, began forming an acquaintance after the manner peculiar to childhood.

"My papa is a professional man," boasted one.

"Huh, my papa is a professional man, too," retorted the other.

"Well, what is your papa?"

"My papa is a banker. What is your papa?"

"My papa is a poet."

"Huh," retorted the banker's daughter, "that ain't a profession—it's a disease."

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NOTICE.

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The St. Louis Muddle.

Members of Columbia Typographical Union were shocked and surprised to hear of the action of St. Louis Union in making a scale with the Typothetæ of that city calling for a nine-hour day.

From what can be learned of the incident the only apparent cause was an increase of $1.50 per week in the scale.

For a Union whose record has always been of the best in the past to deliberately cut the traces and go over to the Typothetæ in their fight against the introduction of the eight-hour day is surprising to say the least.

The action of the Executive Council was swift and without hesitation, and every Local throughout its jurisdiction will undoubtedly stand by the Executive Council in its insistence that St. Louis Union purge itself of the crime and promptly get in line for the eight-hour battle.

There is but one solution of the problem, and the Executive Council has the means to enforce the conditions surrounding this attempt at destroying the campaign for eight hours. St. Louis Union must and will return on the firing line.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

The news last week that St. Louis Typographical Union, No. 8, had violated I. T. U. law by making a three-year contract for a nine-hour day, received so late in the week that there was time only for the most casual reference to it, was a great shock to the sturdy unionists of No. 101. According to information which I have since received the contract was pushed through by the officers of No. 8, their intention having been kept a secret until Sunday, June 4. By misrepresentation the union was induced to ratify the contract, at the regular meeting held on that date, by a vote of 400 to 15. The International officers had no knowledge of the affair until the following Tuesday, when President Joe Jackson called up I. T. U. headquarters by telephone. President Lynch was away from the city, but Secretary-Treasurer Bramwood told Jackson in unmistakable terms that he could not legally sign a nine-hour contract. Later Bramwood went to St. Louis and talked such "plain United States" that the officers finally consented to call a special meeting of the union. Jackson asked Bramwood when the Executive Council could come to St. Louis. Bramwood told him that the Council had business in Kansas City on Wednesday and Thursday, but he felt sure the members could transact it in time to reach St. Louis on Friday. Jackson immediately called a special meeting of the union for Thursday evening, and in a hall that was engaged for that evening and could be occupied by the union for only an hour, in which to deal with one of the most important subjects that could come before it.

The Executive Council succeeded, by rushing its Kansas City business, in reaching St. Louis in time for the meeting, at which 600 members were present, though presenting the appearance of a riot more than a union meeting. Lynch and Bramwood were each permitted to speak briefly, and then the officers of No. 8, took the floor and drew painful pictures of homeless and hungry wives and children, a disrupted union, etc., and their appeals to the timid and the avaricious resulted in a vote of 293 in favor to 231 against ratifying the contract.

The Typothetæ of this city immediately sent out notices of the (to them) glad news to their members, and to others whom they are endeavoring to proselyte, as follows:

I have just received word from St. Louis, Mo., that John MacIntyre, secretary of the United Typothetæ of America, has succeeded, with the assistance of the executive committee of St. Louis Typothetæ, in getting a three-year contract signed with the Typographical Union of St. Louis for nine hours per day.

And another member wrote to an employing printer whom he is trying to get into the organization as follows:

I have been informed that St. Louis Typothetæ has just closed a three-year contract with the local Typographical Union on the basis of a nine-hour day, and if Washington is to accomplish anything along the same lines, our people must get in touch with this Philadelphia movement and see what is the best course to pursue. The eight-hour day will certainly become an accomplished fact if the employers remain passive and do nothing to protect themselves.

The Executive Council of the I. T. U. promptly suspended St. Louis Union on June 13, and it will undoubtedly remain suspended, unless it complies with the law, until the Toronto convention, and there is little probability that the convention will countenance the rebellion.

The eight-hour advocates, who rolled up such a splendid majority last fall in favor of the creation of a fund with which to make the movement effective, will hold up the hands of the Executive Council in punishing the cowardly treachery of the officers of St. Louis Union and in counteracting the evil effects of their action. That this miserable weakness should be exhibited in St. Louis, the scene of the last convention, at which the legislation was passed to bring about the eight-hour day, is the more surprising.

P. S.—Word comes unofficially that St. Louis Union, No. 8, held a meeting last Sunday and rescinded the contract which it had made with the Typothetæ for a nine-hour day for the next three years. It is to be hoped that this is true, and it is believed to be, because St. Louis Union cannot afford to be in the position of violating International law—a law which she went far in making herself.

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I have a bunch of good-hearted, well-wishing friends who always feel terribly grieved when I "descend" to the level of my adversaries in trying to "give 'em as good as they send." But as all their grief seems to be for me and none for my blackguard antagonists, I am forced to deny myself the pleasure of catering to their tastes, much as I would like to do so.

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The annual recital of the pupils of Mrs. Bessie N. Wild will take place next Wednesday evening, at Pythian Temple, at 8 o'clock. She is a very capable teacher, and her pupils, many of whom are the children of printers, will furnish an excellent entertainment in giving evidence of the proficiency they have attained, the classes being in both vocal and instrumental music. Those who attended the recital of last year expressed their enjoyment, and as many of the pupils this year are the same as last, there will be opportunity for comparison.

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There is no appropriate implement with which to handle Mr. Belcher except a stable fork, and I've got one. During the late campaign he made it his business to malign a certain candidate every week in his space, and as every arraignment he made was but the echo of those spoken in private by a certain prominent union politician who tolerates Belcher to a certain extent, I did not then doubt and do not now doubt that Belcher was his mouthpiece. He was either that or trying to be, and he can consider this another "reflection on his honor." Personally he did not know the candidate, while the politician did; he had no grievances against the candidate, while the politician thought *he* had; *ergo*, Belcher was either the self-appointed or sought-for instrument for the venting of the spleen of another. What is the "honor" of a man who waited until he was probably 50 years old before joining the union of his trade, though living all that time in a large city in which there was a union? His silly, assinine insinuation that I attempted to injure him or threatened to do so only shows the bent of his mind—what he would do if he could. Any man who would try to injure another in the way which he insinuates is as contemptible as—a man who refused to join the union. If he has $50, and if he cannot think anybody who has a better right to it than he has, and will change the proposed beneficiary to the Cat Home for residence in which his mind seems to fit him, I will take his financial proposition, provided he will prove the truth of a single one of the charges he made against the candidate spoken of, whether he made them by request or in attempted anticipation of another's wishes. If a man ever showed by his manner that he feels his contemptible yellow position, it is this same Mr. Belcher, but I refuse to be sorry for him any longer.

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It was so rotten hot at the union last Sunday that I left before the doxology. But, like Mary's little lamb, I "waited patiently about" until all was over, and then I was glad that I did as I did, for I was told that "Funny" Roberts took the floor to roast me, but, noting my absence, desisted, whereupon, just as Charlie Gunn was going to move a double-headed vote of thanks, the union adjourned. "Funny's" chivalry in refusing to attack an absent adversary is the only thing I know of that equals my consideration for others in knowing when to take my departure. I am willing for him to have leave to print.

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Realizing from the exhibition of "cringing" that Too Much Dirty Bird Belcher gave last Friday evening, in making his back-alley escape from the G. P. O., his idea of the meaning of the word, I feel real cut up by his application of the term to me. But I have not given any public exhibitions of "cringing," as he did.

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The ringing resolutions regarding the St. Louis treachery introduced by Frank Kidd at Sunday's meeting and passed by a unanimous vote, which will doubtless have their counterpart in every union in the country, may probably make President Joe Jackson wonder whether the consideration was sufficient for having placed his union in that position.

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Along in the "wayback" of thirty years or so ago there came to town a youngster who had done a little touring, and if he did not come with Bill Geddes, since deceased, they came at about the same time, and both went to work on the *Record*. This was Dick Kingsman. They both stayed, and both studied and graduated in medicine. Dick obtained a clerkship in the army medical department—perhaps before he graduated, for that I do not remember, and perhaps Geddes did also, but it is with the former that I have to do now. After awhile, Dick having worked up a pretty good practice "sundowning," his wife read the riot act to him. "See here, Dick," said she, "there has got to be something done; you have got to resign your clerkship and devote yourself entirely to your practice, or you have got to give up your practice and depend entirely on your salary, for I have some rights in this matter." Put to him so strongly he decided to resign the clerkship, and almost from that day Dr. Richard A. Kingsman has ranked among the successful physicians of Washington. It was not long until he had an income equal to a Supreme Court judge's and more business than he could attend to. Honors early began to come to him; he found himself a member of the Board of Education; he was sought to permit his name to be used for things—the usual propositions that come to men of prominence; he became noted in his church, in his Masonic lodge, in all the various things with which "men of affairs" become connected; his name figures on boards of directors of financial institutions; and all this time he responds to "Dick" when so addressed by any of his old friends and former associates. He is one of the trustees of the lately organized East Washington Savings Bank, which will shortly erect a building for itself at 312 Pennsylvania avenue southeast. He has a splendid residence on East Capitol street, furnished and supplied with everything that taste and refinement could desire, and with all his prosperity and elegance he always has an inquiry for the friends of his printer days. He has made his life the success it is, and his career is one that should furnish an inspiration for our professional printers—not that they can all be Dick Kingsmans, but that from a beginning as small as any of theirs he has made himself what he is. The new bank is one of his pet projects, and if I were near enough I would drop $30 or $40 into it each "turn in," for with Dr. Kingsman connected with it I have the most absolute confidence in it.

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I hear that Charlie Pharisee Peake says that THE TRADES UNIONIST is unfit to be taken into the home since "Bloomer began his assaults on religion," and that he never takes his copy there. I have never assaulted religion, but the Scribes, Pharisees, and hypocrites, and I have the best of precedents for roasting them. I hardly think Peake has been of the "unco guid" long enough to constitute himself a critic or pose as a tainted hypocrite.

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The death of Alfred P. Marston, coming with startling suddenness after the news of his illness, was a great shock to his friends, some of whom knew him from the day of his apprenticeship. He was employed in the Government Printing Office almost all of the years of his adult life, was a faithful employee, and had the confidence of his superiors, as manifested by his promotion through all the grades up to that of assistant foreman. His funeral was last Sunday, and was under auspices of the Masonic fraternity, the interment being in Rock Creek Cemetery. Many officials and employees of the office were present.

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Mr. Belcher says: "I presume it will surprise you, Mr. Bloomer, when I assert, with all the force at my command, that no man can vote me." Nope, for he asserted, with all the force at his command, all the mean things he said about one of the candidates for delegate, and everybody knew they were not true.

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There is sincere sympathy throughout the office with W. A. Lavalette on the recent death of his wife, with whom he had traveled down so many of the years of life. Mr. Lavalette has been in the G. P. O. many years and was one of the first colored men to obtain employment there, being by far the oldest of his race among the printers in the office.

A. F. BLOOMER.

Information Wanted.

George G. Seibold, secretary of Columbia Typographical Union, received the following communication, seeking information of Joseph Baldwin Bishop, who was for a brief period a member of Columbia Typographical Union. Anyone who can give information concerning Mr. Bishop will confer a favor by sending address to the signer of the letter given below:

SACRAMENTO, CAL., *June 4, 1905.*

GEO. G. SEIBOLD,
Secretary Columbia Union:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER: I have an aunt, a very aged woman, who is sorely worried and grieving over the long silence of her son, who is a compositor by trade. She fears he is dead, but still hopes that such is not the case. He was last heard from in September, 1900, at which time he was in your city. His sister writes to me and asks if I can suggest any way of locating him.

I consulted with T. A. Cody, secretary of Local No. 46, and he gave me your address and advised me to write to you. I dislike to give you any trouble, but if you can obtain any information which will lead to his discovery you will do an act of kindness for a distressed mother.

Thanking you in advance, I am,
Fraternally yours,

FRANK COOKE,
Ex-Secty. and Pres. of Local No. 35, I. B. of B.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

Foreman Bowen has returned from his leave.

George W. Shaffer (91) is enjoying the balance of his leave.

Mr. John A. Onyun is enjoying his leave at his Illinois home.

Our popular friend, Mr. James H. Brodnax, is reported to be improving.

The Rumor Committee certainly has been very busy during the past week. Wonder who the chairman is?

A handsome and serviceable truck for the "Supply Division" is the latest addition to the rolling stock of the First.

Compositors Evarts, Gibbs, Lentz, Newell and Williamson were among those who returned from their leave during the week.

A. J. McMillan has been a temporary transfer to the State Division. Messrs. Crump, McCardle and Quinn have been helping out on the *Gazette*.

E. F. Geyer, of this Division, who is detailed to Captain Bonney's room, accompanied the Shriners to the National Convention in session the present week at Niagara Falls.

Ira M. Ingalls is using up the balance of his leave. So also is Secretary Lillard. By the time we enter upon the new fiscal year all the current leave for this year will have been used.

Raymond F. Crist has been selected as one of the five special agents by the Department of Commerce and Labor to go abroad to investigate trade conditions, with the object of promoting the foreign commerce of the United States. Mr. Crist is well known in the G. P. O., having been employed here for many years. We understand that he will accompany Harry R. Burrill to to the Orient.

Messrs. Schoeneman, Sherman, and Underwood have been on the sick list during the week. Mr. Sherman reported for work on Monday, but was obliged to quit. We think our friend needs a long rest.

Excellent pictures of three well-known members of the California Association appeared in last Sunday's *Post*: Andrew Jackson Boyer, of the Specification Division; Secretary Charles W. Otis, of the Proof Division, and Treasurer C. T. Vogel, of the Job Division.

John O'Neill (110) began his annual leave on Monday. "Honest John" contemplates visiting Ireland and will sail from New York on next Saturday. During the lunch hour on Saturday he was presented with a handsome briarwood pipe by his friends and admirers. No elaborate remarks were indulged in and the gift was received in the same happy spirit in which it was tendered. Prosperous trip and safe return is the sincere wish of the hosts of friends of Mr. O'Neill. He expects to be absent until the first of August.

ROUGH WRITER.

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Specification Notes.

The machine gets hot occasionally, but lets the other fellow do the perspiring.

A goodly number have made application for leave that will be due them in July.

Miss Carrie A. Robbins has received a permanent appointment as copyholder.

It is rumored that an order was issued this week for seventy-two additional Lanstons.

Captain Ramsey returned to his post of duty on Tuesday, after an absence of two weeks.

Jerry Walsh took a day off last Saturday, and on Monday received the hearty congratulations of a host of friends. A boy!

The Mergenthaler shows quite a liking for "Spess" and is making a tolerable good showing in the character of work turned out.

Carter and McDermot, and Howlin and McCarty, in their respective duties wear the same official shoe so that when one is off the other is on, and vice versa.

The heading of the open-page forms of Specifications has been changed by contraction, thus lengthening the columns and avoiding blank pages often necessitated by slight over-runs.

George Brandon, of the ring alley force, will start from here in July to spend a portion of his summer vacation with a brother, who has charge of a summer resort on Lake Huron, Michigan, about 300 miles above Detroit.

The Patent Office is preparing to issue a classified list of inventions on July 1. Such a list is usually prepared once in three or four years, and is of immense value because it groups inventions according to their purpose and character, rather than in the order of their issue.

J. M. Montgomery had the misfortune to injure one of his legs about a month ago while alighting from a street car. Blood poisoning threatened at one time, but later reports are that he is now on the way to recovery, which is good news to his many friends.

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PIKELETS.

AND THE DAUGHTERS ARE OLSON'S, TOO.

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By sending President Roosevelt a picture real fine
Of himself and his wife, with their handsome kids nine;
Yet, it may be, for such fame he wouldn't care penny's toss,
Were it not that he seeks his home postoffice to boss,
And boss it he will, if for cause no other barr'd out
Than that six boys and three girls are Olson's beyond doubt;
Olson's, did we say?—well, 'tis a mere matter of spell,
Since all girls are daughters and can't be all sons as well.

Justice O'Gorman, in New York City Supreme Court recently refused to issue a writ of mandamus commanding the Range Mounters, Setters and Kitchen Outfitters' Union to reinstate Batista Berna as a member of that union.

Resolutions.

The Proof Division, G. P. O., adopted the following resolutions on the death of A. P. Marston:

Whereas it is with deep regret that the members of the Proof Division of the Government Printing Office accept the fact of the death of their late associate and co-worker, A. P. Marston, on Thursday, June 15, 1905;

Whereas by his sterling worth, earnestness, capability, and intelligent manliness he not only grew in the esteem of his fellow-workers, but attained to positions of confidence and trust in his chosen craft and in the community;

Whereas in his death the Proof Room loses a capable former member; Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, a conservative and safe counsellor, and the Government Printing Service a conscientious and faithful servant; therefore be it

Resolved, That his co-workers and associates of this Division accept the ruling of Him "who doeth all things well" in removing forever the physical presence of their late companion, feeling that his memory and his works will inspire to a higher and more noble manhood.

Resolved, That our sympathy be extended to his bereaved family and loved ones, with the assurance of our belief in the ending of a "well spent life," and and entrance to that higher sphere, "life everlasting."

Resolved, That this preamble and these resolutions be engrossed, presented to the family, and printed in the journals of the craft.

J. H. BABCOCK,
O. D. HYLER,
H. F. J. DRAKE,
C. I. O'NEILL,
D. V. CHISHOLM.
Committee.

The Toronto Convention.

The Annual Convention of the International Typographical Union of North America will be held in the City of Toronto during the week beginning August 14, 1905.

Several decades have elapsed since a convention of the I. T. U. has been entertained across the border, and our Canadian cousins expect—and their expectations doubtless will be fulfilled—that the convention will be the greatest in attendance, as it certainly will be in the importance of the legislation to be enacted.

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Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, Amalgamated, No. 148, meets second and fourth Wednesdays at 922 Pennsylvania avenue n. w. Martin Hellmuth, Secretary, 609 D street southwest.

Steam Fitters, L. B. No. 10, N. A., meets the first and third Thursdays of each month at Hall 1, Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. S. D. Zea, Secretary, 2108 G street northwest.

Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Union, No. 11773, meets second Tuesday in each month at 7.30 p. m., Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. Frank F. Hartwell, Secretary, 810 Twentieth street northwest.

Tile Setters Helpers, Local No. 12, meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month in Room No. 3, Building Trades Halls, 624 Sixth street northwest. Frank J. Highman, Recording Secretary, 1720 Eighth street n. w.

Washington Feeders and Assistants No. 42, meets the first Thursday in each month at Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Miss Josephine Mulcahy, Secretary, 29 N street northwest.

Among The Building Trades

EDITED BY W. E. KENNEDY.

AMALGAMATED SOCIETY OF CARPENTERS.

One of the arguments used to dissuade carpenters from affiliating with this Society is "their high dues." If a carpenter will consider the amount of money he receives each year from the "unemployed" benefit fund he will readily see where he has received back generally enough to make the amount he has paid in dues look quite small; in fact, the amount he has received, deducted from what he has paid, will make his "high dues" compare very favorable with dues paid in other unions that have no provisions to reimburse their unemployed members, except by donations, and these donations are seldom asked by men in good health, for it savors too much of charity, and few trade unionists like to ask charity.

The "unemployed fund" of this Society is a matter of right, and not charity, for its members when they are working "lay up" for the "rainy day," and most building trades men know that the "rainy day" will come, sometime (and often) between December and March. If this is an "English" custom, may we have more of them, for it is a good one.

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STRIKE AGAINST THE PENNSYLVANIA STEEL CO.

The Iron Workers throughout the entire country, where this company is erecting steel, have gone on strike. Employment of non-union men, after the Company had entered into an agreement to employ union iron workers, as also unfair treatment to their union employees, is said to be the cause.

In this city the strike affects quite a number of Local No. 5's men who were working on the highway bridge, as also a number of engineers (hoisting) who, only a few days ago returned to work there under a promise from that Company that an arbitration committee would act upon their demands for the "same scale of wages to be paid by them as prevails on the other jobs in the city."

If the Iron Workers put up such a fight upon this Company as they did with the American Bridge Co. there is but one opinion of what the result will be. Let us hope that the fight will be short lived, for this Company is a very large employer of iron workers and this Local has a very great number of members that are interested in the result.

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ELECTRICAL WORKERS NO. 26.

The members of No. 26 are consuming a large quantity of breakfast food now, in anticipation of several large jobs coming on, where they will need all their (all the winter) husbanding of strength, to successfully battle their old friend—iron armor conduit.

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The National Electric Supply Co. have secured a large contract for installing the electric work at the filtration plant, and expect to place about thirty men to work. This, along with a few other jobs now about ready, will keep the members of No. 26, quite busy for several months.

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STRUCTURAL ALLIANCE.

It is a pleasure to state, that this Local, having outgrown its present quarters, have engaged the hall formerly occupied by the Allied Building Trades Council, Sixth and G streets, and will hold their meetings there each Tuesday night, beginning July 11.

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P. H. McCarthy, President Building Trades Council of San Francisco, after returning from the convention of the Structural Alliance, held in Buffalo, says: "The foundation has been laid for an organization that would be to building trades of America what the State Building Trades Council has been to the organized building artisans of the Pacific Coast." This report is indeed encouraging, for if we have "laid" such a "foundation" we would be foolish indeed not to complete the building. The Building Trades Council of San Francisco is, in the opinion of the writer, about as near perfection as it is possible to build. There can be no strike without its sanction, nor can any of its trades jump on their employers for a raise without first receiving its sanction. If they have a grievance, however, that requires concerted action, that "concerted action" means (to the employers)—NOTHING DOING—'till you settle.

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SHEET METAL WORKERS.

The strike of the tinners, which has been on in Ft. Worth, Texas, since May 1, has been settled, and these men return to work, with full recognition of their Local, There is also an arbitration clause, similar to the one in use here among some of the trades. Wages: 40 cents per hour; time and a-half for work over eight hours,

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THE PAINTERS.

Rumor has it that when the Master Painters met the Committee from the Painters Local to settle the Paper Hangers trouble that the Master Painters agreed (verbally) to advance the Painters wage scale to $3.50 a day on July 1. Now they want to postpone this advance 'till September 1. If this is true there may be "something doing" July 1 among the Painters.

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When you are buying collars in any of the stores where you deal, notice who made them, and if you see Cluett & Peabody's name on it—just remember that this firm, through unreasonable rules, reduction of wages, imposing fines, etc., made it impossible for their employees to be able to make $8.00 a week working from 7 to 6, with but 15 or 20 minutes for lunch, and DON'T BUY 'EM—*Tell the Merchant why.*

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WASHINGTON A CRITERION.

The Shorter Work Day Permits of Better Healthful Conditions.

A lively discussion on amateur athletics took place at the White House recently when President Roosevelt received Charles Needham, who is at present engaged upon a series of articles on professionalism in college athletics. While Mr. Needham was with the President Attorney General Moody came in.

As he left the White House the Attorney General chatted on athletic matters and, during the course of his conversation, paid a high compliment to the amateur athletes of Washington.

"You know I ride and walk about the city a good deal," he said, "and I have come to the conclusion that Washington is about as good an athletic city as there is in this country."

And why not?

Washington is, and shall be, a criterion for the nation, and stands out as an object lesson of the benefits for the masses derived from the shorter workday.

The Attorney General, being a college-bred man, looks upon athletics from the view-point of a college man and an old football player, and recognizes the benefits to be derived from an active life in the open for our youth, and is commendably glad at the opportunities afforded by Washington's numerous parks and the White House grounds.

Had the Attorney General been reared in the hard lines of a toiler in the industrial world, or if he should investigate the personnel of the thousands of athletic young men who nightly enjoy the outdoor recreation, he would have been more glad, not alone of the fact that the young of Washington are addicted to outdoor pastimes, but because of the factors that make this enjoyment possible.

Through acts of Congress the departments of the Government, with their thousands, including those of the Government Printing Office, the Navy-Yard, and the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, have the shorter working day.

Through the agitation of the labor unions almost all the skilled workers of the District of Columbia are now enjoying the same blessing, and have the opportunity to enjoy not alone the beautiful city, with its parks and playgrounds, but to spend the early evening hours in social enjoyment and study.

There are many occasions for praise of Washington that the Attorney General could mention, not seen in any other city, had he chosen to give study to the subjects.

Through the agitation of the Clerks' Union the stores of Washington close at an early hour; through agitation the building trades and most of the others of skilled calling have the early evening.

They are the young men of these classes that have called out the quoted remark of the Cabinet officer.

It is a pity he does not publicly acknowledge the factor that in the spring and summer months covers our parks and playgrounds with energetic athletes, and in the fall and winter months fills our schools, colleges, and gymnasiums.

It is not high wages, but the shorter work-day, that is giving Washington a distinctive and leading position among all the other cities, not alone in the character of its clean athletics, but in the opportunity for the masses to educate themselves, and in the high intellectual standing and moral well-being of its citizens.

The shorter work-day is a natural sequence to our national civilization, and the time is fast approaching when American industrialism will be measured by the never-varying "twenty-four" gauge—

Eight hours for labor.

Eight hours for recreation and self-improvement.

Eight hours for rest.

Speed the shorter work-day!

J. H. BABCOCK.

Labor News.

Mississippi has declined the proffered sum of $25,000 from Mr. Carnegie for library purposes.

The largest floating dry dock in the world has been completed at the Maryland Steel Works yards for the United States Government, and it will be towed 14,000 miles to the Philippines. Four hundred men have been employed two months cleaning and painting the 1,500,000 square feet of steel. In the contract it is stipulated the dock shall lift a 16,000-ton battleship. The dock weighs 11,000 tons and cost $1,124,000.

From Mrs. Geo. J. Plummer.

The following communication, received by Secretary Seibold, of Columbia Typographical Union, is from the widow of the late George A. Plummer, and expresses her gratitude for sympathy and assistance in her recent bereavement:

WASECA, MINN., *June 19, 1905.*

Mr. GEO. G. SEIBOLD, Washington, D. C.:

DEAR SIR: Your check for $105 balance due was received promptly and I thank you for same, also very prompt payment of $200 when I most needed it.

Through you I wish to thank the many members of your organization for their sympathy and assistance and assure you that I shall always feel proud that my husband was a member of the Typographical Union.

Very sincerely,

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THE TRADES UNIONIST.

OFFICIAL ORGAN CENTRAL LABOR UNION, WASHINGTON BRANCH, AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR.

Vol. X. No. 3. WASHINGTON, D. C., THURSDAY, JUNE 29, 1905. Price, 3 Cents.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.10 on Monday evening by President Dickman.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Retail Clerks Union, No. 262: E. A. Bachrach, L. Ehrlich, Charles Shannon, Joseph Bradley, and Joseph Moser.

Journeymen Stone Cutters: A. T. Campbell, Wm. Krichton, James McHugh, Wm. Wannan, and Joseph Hammel.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Stone Masons Union, No. 2, reporting appointment of committee to assist in adjusting differences with Building Laborers Union and Stone Contractors.

From Carpet Mechanics Union, No. 1, asking that Peter Grogan Co. be first firm placed on special "We Do Not Patronize List." Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Sheet Metal Workers, No. 102, protesting against certain action of central body in reference to firm of Joseph Mathy & Co. Placed on file.

From Elastic Goring Weavers Amalgamated Association, asking for assistance in creating a demand for elastic goring in shoes. Placed on file.

From Bookbinders Union, No. 4, indorsing action of central body in placing Samuel Artz, plumber, on unfair list. Placed on file.

From Tobacco Workers International Union, inclosing literature on union-label tobacco, and asking assistance in pushing the product of the same. Placed on file.

From Bartenders League, No. 75, stating that they had placed Abraham Cohen, 414 Twelfth street northwest, on the unfair list, and ask similar action be taken by Central Labor Union. Referred to Grievance Committee.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Bottlers: That their grievance with F. H. Finley & Son had been adjusted.

Brewery Workmen: That the National Capital Brewing Co. had refused to place the union label on their products. They requested that the secretary write Mr. Carry and request that he comply with agreement entered into by and between the Central Labor Union and National Capital Brewing Co.

Horse Shoers: That Corby Bros. were not employing members of their Local and wanted matter referred to Grievance Committee. Delegate was informed that grievance must come to central body under seal of organization.

Paper Hangers: Desired to thank the Central Labor Union and affiliated Locals for support in recent trouble with Master Paper Hangers Association.

Plumbers: Called attention to Samuel Artz being on unfair list and that Connecticut Pie Co. had recently had work done by Mr. Artz.

Grocery Clerks: That Clerks Union would give a joint excursion to River View on June 28, and invited all to attend.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Contract Committee made a favorable report on contract of Elite Laundry Co., and recommended that the contract be indorsed and Elite Laundry be removed from unfair list. Recommendation concurred in.

The Contract Committee also reported favorable action on contract of Paper Hangers Union and Master Paper Hangers Association. The contract was indorsed.

Labor Day Committee reported progress.

Adjourned.

Personal Mention.

Shelby Smith and family, of Philadelphia, en route to Colonial Beach to spend the summer in their cottage, spent a few days last week with friends in this city.

Frank H. Padgett, ex-secretary of Columbia Typographical Union, was in the city this week on a short vacation. Mr. Padgett is a proofreader on the Baltimore *Sun*.

Produced Results.

EDITORS THE TRADES UNIONIST:

The three line advertisement which I inserted in your paper for one issue brought immediate results and therefore I consider THE TRADES UNIONIST a first-class advertising medium.

CHAS. W. INGALLS.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

C. A. Fischer leadingman in Light Department, has been promoted to quarterman same department.

D. M. Daughton has been promoted from first class, to leadingman in Steel Foundry, Ordnance Department.

An addition to the Construction and Repair Department is the appointment of H. H. W. Keith as ship draftsman.

The President has directed that the *Sylph* shall be stationed at Bridgeport, Conn., all summer so as to be at his disposal.

H. F. Waltman has been appointed draftsman under the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, for duty at the Naval Hospital.

H. H. Miller, first class machinist, E. G. Carriage Shop, has been appointed subinspector at $4 per diem and has left for Hartford, Conn., where he will report to the Inspector of Ordnance.

The examining board to conduct the examination for the position of leadingman, Smokeless Powder Factory, will have to again go in session, as no available candidates presented themselves at the last one.

I feel so sorry for the Boston convention. Big Tom Carroll is preparing a set speech of several hours. If they would only soak Tom with a base ball bat before he commences, what a blessing it would be to those who never heard Tom speak.

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Naval Hall Lodge room was crowded last Wednesday night to hear the Hon. Terrence V. Powderly, ex-Commissioner of Emigration. The meeting was an open one, under the auspices of Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. of M.

Mr. Powderly stated in the beginning that he would not make a speech, but would simply talk on organization. He impressed everyone present as one who had carefully studied the labor question with much care, and his remarks were highly appreciated. He will come again after the warm weather is over and speak on "The Nobility of Labor; or, The Machinist, Ancient and Modern."

Following Mr. Powderly, First Vice-President Peter Conlin made an eloquent appeal for perfect organization.

Prof. Arthur E. Holder concluded the speaking exercises with a few sensible remarks relative to brotherly love that should characterize all Trades Unionists.

The band was out in full force, and was highly complimented by not only the speakers but the entire audience.

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Columbia Lodge, No. 174, having nominated some of its members for Grand Lodge officers, intend to make an earnest canvass to elect the same. The following circular letter will be sent to every Local under the jurisdiction of the I. A. of M:

WASHINGTON, D. C., *June 21, 1905.*

To the Order Everywhere, Greeting:

BROTHERS: Feeling confident that the interests of the organization can best be promoted by some changes among the present Grand Lodge officers, we are authorized by this Lodge to submit for your earnest consideration the names of the three candidates that this Lodge have nominated, composed as it is of members from every State and Territory in the United States. We have every reason to believe they can fill such offices to the entire satisfaction of the membership at large.

In submitting the names of these candidates we are assured that we are placing before the membership men who will obey the laws, resolutions, and edicts of our Association and whose character is of the highest, and whose abilities and qualifications we will vouch for.

Brother Emmett L. Adams, card No. 35320, of No. 174, of Washington, D. C., for Grand Secretary-Treasurer, is a man who is actively engaged at the trade and at present occupying the chair of this Lodge; also a member of the auditing committee of Grand Lodge books. His abilities have placed him in the the foremost ranks of the labor movement in the District of Columbia, and whom we recommend in the highest terms.

Brother Arthur E. Holder, card No. 9634, of No. 174, of Washington, D. C., for Fourth Vice-President, now acting as assistant editor of the *Journal*, whose record has been found, after careful investigation, to be without a blemish, and whose abilities as a speaker and organizer is favorably known in several sections of the country. His past experience in the labor movement especially qualifies him for the position.

Brother Edward L. Tucker, card No. 19903, of No. 174, of Washington, D. C., for member of the General Executive Board, now occupying the same position, and who is actively engaged at the trade. We highly recommend him for your favorable consideration.

Brothers: There is no intention by means of this circular to especially promote the interest of any individual or to unduly influence the membership at large for that purpose, but we do believe that if the Brothers herein named are elected to the positions for which we indorse them our organization will be served by competent, loyal, energetic officials.

We are, fraternally yours,

SAMUEL ELDER,
OLIVER T. BEAUMONT,
FRED J. BRENNAN,
Committee.

Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. of M.

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In a recent interview with a leading spirit of the Parry organization I asked him what was the principal object of that organization. Was it formed to crush organized labor? If so, why?

His answer was plain and to the point. The employers of labor throughout the country, seeing that labor was being so thoroughly organized, and that if allowed to proceed without interruption it would only be a few years when there would be but two classes engaged in business, viz: the trusts and organized labor. Becoming alarmed, and viewing the matter in this light, the Parry or Employers Association, was formed to protect the middle classes, consisting of producers, small merchants, and labor that objected to organization. To that end we have formed an organization composed of material just enumerated, without regard to nationality or creed.

"Do you mean to say that in the selection of your directory you seek for men who will carry out the principles of your organization without any distinction, except for qualifications?"

"Decidedly so," was his answer. "Men are considered only for what they are worth."

Thanking him for his statements which were so frankly blunt I could not but think how different was his organization to that of organized labor.

To observing persons absolutely unbiased, particularly those who have long been associated in the cause of labor, these statements of the Parry advocate meets with no surprise.

In the early formation of labor organizations some of the principles enunciated by this Parryite were clearly set forth and lived up to by the united craftsmen, viz: That there shall be a complete divorcement between Church and State.

The question uppermost in my mind is, Are we living up to that standard to-day? Are we in our organizations seeking, and working only for the cause of the wage-earner and the uplifting of men who earn their bread by their mechanical skill, or are we disintegrating into factions representing creed only. Labor organizations should have but one creed and one commandment, "Do unto others as ye would have them do unto you."

This is a serious question; one that should interest every Trades Unionist who has the welfare of the labor movement at heart. It is a question not only to be considered, but every effort should be exerted to crush out this subtle serpent that is entwining itself about our organization, that will in a short period of time not only destroy our usefulness as an organization, but throttle its very existence.

Another question presents itself equally important. One of the growing evils of the present age is the relegating to the back benches those who have bourne the heat and burdens of the day for many years in perfecting labor organizations; men who were Union advocates when it was considered almost a crime to announce themselves as such. Why such discrimination? Is it because they, having passed over the summit of their existence, their usefulness is waning, or is it because their judgment is not severed by momentary excitement, but who plod on in their own way looking for good results only to be achieved by mature thought and conservatism in all relations.

I acknowledge that many men of advanced years are "so sot" in their ways that they cannot be influenced. But this is not universal, as I have observed that in labor organizations many of the older men are the ones who are not only the most faithful in attendance, but the most progressive in thought and action. There is a lesson here to be learned by every young Trades Unionist, that as you respect age in your young life the same will be due you when you, too, have passed over the top of the mountain. TIM TICKLE.

Among The Building Trades

EDITED BY W. E. KENNEDY.

STRUCTURAL ALLIANCE.

A portion of the Board of Governors —Messrs. Knighton, of the Bricklayers, Ryan, of the Tinners, Moore, of the Hoisting Engineers, Barrett, of the Plumbers, and Kennedy, of the Electrical Workers, called on Mr. Douglas, superintendent in charge of Thomson and Starrett job, at Eighteenth and I streets, to adjust a complaint entered by Local 77, Hoisting Engineers, the engineer there being in bad standing owing to his refusal to transfer from Local 94 (Stationary Engineers) to Local 77 (Hoisting Engineers). After explaining to Mr. Douglas the desires of the committee, he said: "If this man is no longer a union man, send me up one to start work Monday morning."

N. B. Trades unaffiliated: Strikes or "Working Cards" are not needed when the trades are "together."

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LOCAL NO. 26, ELECTRICAL WORKERS.

The convention of the Electrical Brotherhood meets in Louisville, Ky., in September.

Local No. 26, at their meeting last Thursday, appointed a committee of five members, composed of Kelly, Burke, Hoffacker, Thwing and Kennedy, who are to meet weekly, "go over the International constitution, suggest amendments and revisions to be acted upon at the convention."

This Local also indorsed former Representative Jenkins for the position of Secretary of Commerce and Labor, and instructed their delegates to the Central Labor Union to endeavor to secure favorable action there. Local No. 26 has a lot to thank Mr. Jenkins for. When the District Government two years ago endeavored to pass a bill through Congress that only permitted an electrician to work at his trade after he had passed the Civil Service examination, *and paid a dollar*, Mr. Jenkins was largely instrumental in keeping the "imposition" where it belonged—in the "pigeon hole.". For this we were then and are now very grateful.

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IRON WORKERS STRIKE ON HIGHWAY BRIDGE.

The situation has not changed since my last letter, There has been no effort on part of the Pennsylvania Steel Co. to employ other men, either here or in this District. There is talk now of the International boycotting the Pennsylvania Steel Company's product. Should this occur the strike would affect a much larger number of men, as this Company's steel is quite largely used in general construction.

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AMALGAMATED SOCIETY OF CARPENTERS.

Another "line" of talk, often used to discredit this Society is: "We are American citizens, and object to pay our money into an institution that has a foreign foundation."

This objection was handled so well in the writer's presence the other day that it is "too good to keep." A member of another union was talking to an Amalgamated man (who, by the way, was an American-*born* citizen), and using such arguments as above.

The Amalgamated man waited, quite patiently, for him to finish, then asked him:

"Are you a Christian?"

"Well no, can't say that I am."

"But you believe in some Christian religion don't you?"

"Why, yes."

"And you think it is pretty good, *even if it was n't founded in the United States*, don't you?"

"Why yes, but that's a different matter, and I will talk of that with you later, as I must go now."

And the "American Citizen" left quite a number of us with a "sort" of a-grin on our faces.

The Amalgamated man said: "I don't see why our trade union is objected to on that score, for while our Society was founded in England, we in America and Canada transact all our own business, pay all our benefits to our members from the money we collect in this country, pay our per capita tax to the parent body of the A. F. of L.; in fact, it is just as much an American institution as any other, and its membership is fully 90 per cent. American-*born* citizens, and we think it a good trade union, and until some one gets up something better we will remain in it."

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STRUCTURAL ALLIANCE.

This body, by a unanimous vote, at their meeting Tuesday night, decided to tender to the Stone Masons Local the services of their Board of Governors, to act in conjunction with them, in an effort to effect a settlement for the Stone Laborers who are locked out by the Stone Contractors.

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MOSAIC AND ENCAUSTIC TILE LAYERS.

Messrs. Thompson and Dowd, who attended, as delegates to the Boston convention, say: "After Mr. Spencer, General Secretary of the Structural Alliance, got through telling the Tile Layers in the Boston convention what a "good thing the Structural Alliance was, the convention decided to send out referendum vote for affiliation."

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The different Locals of the Brotherhood of Carpenters elected their business agent this time by referendum vote. The present incumbent ,Mr. Reilly, by a very handsome majority, was re-elected.

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Business Agent Barrett, of the Plumbers, met "his Waterloo," and is succeeded by Thomas Foley, whose record is such that the Plumbers do not hesitate to place him in this responsible position.

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Elections are coming on in a few days, both in the Iron Workers and Paperhangers, hence the business agent of both these Locals are on the "anxious bench."

The Miscellaneous Trades.

PAPER HANGERS.

The contract entered into between this Union and the Master Paper Hangers seems to be a most excellent document, as it makes provisions for a non-union man to go to work in a "closed shop" after he has obtained permission of the Local and agreed to pay (have deducted) from his wages a certain sum each week. By this clause there is no reason why a "busted" non-union man cannot secure work, paying his initiation fee as he is able.

The writer hopes that this method will be adopted by all the other Locals that work on a "closed shop" principle, for there are many non-union men, who will only go in a Union *when they have to*, to secure work, and to this class of men we will have to arrange terms so they can get in. Twenty-five or fifty dollars—and often ten—is a large sum for a "busted" mechanic to be "lugging" around in his "jeans," and when you insist on his having such sum *before he can go to work*, you very often keep him out of a Union—send him to some other city, where the Local is weak and in a frame of mind *not* calculated to make him use his energy *very much* to become your brother in the place where it is not costly to get in.

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BAKERS.

The members of this Union are now taking a referendum vote for election of International officers. Among the names on the ballot I see John G. Schmidt as candidate for assistant secretary. This is our old hustling friend, Schmidt, that generally accompanies Weber when he is on the "war path" against unfair bakers. If he is as successful as a candidate for assistant secretary as he is in getting candidates for his Union, the name Schmidt will be on the general office pay roll.

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JOURNEYMEN TAILORS.

This Local had a very enjoyable open meeting, Saturday the 11th. Mr. Chas. F. Nesbitt delivered a very interesting lecture on the "Dignity of Labor," and President Dickman, of the Central Labor Union, followed in an appropriate talk on "Benefits of Organization."

Executive Council Meeting.

The Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor held its sessions at Scranton, Pa., this month. President Gompers submitted a report of the organizing and lecturing tour which he recently made through the West, recounting the growth of the organization, the splendid spirit of unity obtaining among the workmen of the country, and their devotion to the trades union movement and the American Federation of Labor.

It was decided to arrange for a lecture tour and itinerary for the various members of the Executive Council through the different sections of the country.

Secretary Morrison submitted his financial report for the eight months ending May 31st. The balance on hand October 1, 1904, was $103,018, and the income for the eight months, $141,074, making a total of $244,092. The expenditures were $148,356. The report shows that $70,902 has been received for per capita tax of one-half cent per member per month. One hundred and ninety charters were issued for the eight months; one State branch, forty-six central labor unions, ninety local trades unions, fifty-three Federal Labor Unions. There are now affiliated with the American Federation of Labor 116 international trades unions, thirty-three State branches, 614 central labor unions, 1,043 local trade and Federal Labor Unions, the 116 international unions having 25,000 local unions attached to them.

Reverse Action.

St. Louis Typographical Union, on June 18, rescinded its action of June 8, accepting a contract calling for a nine-hour day and an advance of $1.50 a week in wages for the union job printers and by a declaration to abide by the ruling of the executive council of the Typographical Union abrogated the contract which had been signed with the employing printers. The decision was voted at a general meeting attended by about 700 members.

Under the ruling of the Executive Council the printers of St. Louis will now demand the eight hour day. It is not known what action the employers will take.—*Decatur Labor World.*

Look For the Label.

The label is nothing less than the rock of Unionism. It is the priceless emblem of organized wage earners; in fact, it is their refuge, their citadel. It is the one means we have to evidence the product of the Union men. The Trades Unionist who does not insist upon the label being upon that which he purchases fails in the work of advancing the interests of his craft, and may be considered recreant to the principles which have become paramount in not only our own organization, but in every union of wage earners. What the pass-word is to a secret society member the label is as the symbol of unionism. Union men and women can promote its influence, can make it a potent factor in settling labor disputes, in shortening the hours of a work day, in procuring an advance in wages, and, further, the demand for it will make the employer realize his error if he fails or refuses to put this emblem of union labor upon the product he puts on the market. If the cry, "We want the label," be substantiated with a vigorous boycott on non-label bearing products, union wage earners will reap as they sow. "The label!" "The label!" "The label!" Let the demand for it be emphatic, earnest, consistent, honest.—*Ex.*

Coercing Labor Law.

An act recently passed by the house of representatives of Rhode Island prescribes a fine of $350 to $500 or imprisonment for three or six months, or both, against any employer or corporation attempting to prevent working people from belonging to a labor organization as a condition of new or continued employment.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

The Adelaide (South Austrailia) Bootmakers' Union is again trying to get the employers to consent to a conference with a view of fixing a minimum wage, and to have a friendly discussion over other differences that exist in the trade.

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Philadelphia Ultimatum.

The ultimatum of the Philadelphia Typothetæ to run "open shops" in that city is undoubtedly part of a plan to attempt to break the effect of the I. T. U. plan for eight hours in 1906.

Just how far-reaching this determination of the forty-five offices in Philadelphia may be can be determined when it is considered that in the great majority of these book and job offices the "open shop" has prevailed for some time.

About two years ago, by a mighty effort Philadelphia Typographical Union secured agreements from a number of the large shops in that city to pay the scale, but very few "card" shops were made at that time. In the meantime we hear from a number of places that agreements are being reached for an eight-hour day far in advance of the time set by the I. T. U., the last being Memphis, Tenn., where the eight-hour day goes into effect July 1, 1905.

The Typothetæ is active in its opposition, but the local branches are very loth to take up the fight. All in all the reports received from the large printing centers are very encouraging to the I. T. U. officials.

Fair Play.

The award for District printing has been announced for the ensuing year. The combination that has endeavored to control the letting of the various items of printing seems to have received the worst of the deal, as the greatest part of the work went to one man outside of the combination.

The clerk in charge of the letting of the work also recommended that the successful bidder on the tax list, the best plum on the tree, be "passed up," and give the contract to GIBSON BROS., the next lowest bidder, the reason advanced being that EWALT R. KATES, the successful bidder, did not have facilities for doing the work.

This assumption may have been reached after members of the combination had shown the futility of placing the work outside of their select coterie of master printers.

The proper thing for Mr. KATES to do is to insist on his rights in the premises. If he gives bond to do the work in a workmanlike manner and in a given time that is all that the District Commissioners can or ought to expect.

In days gone by, and probably even at this late day, responsible men bid on work that did not know a pica hair space from a two-em leader and got the work because they were "right," and the men giving out the work knew they were "right." A visit to the establishment of EWALT R. KATES would establish the fact that because his place is up Thirteenth street and not on Pennsylvania is no good reason for endeavoring to deprive him of a contract.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

It was at the lunch hour, and we were discussing the beauties of politeness.

"I remember a character we had here some thirty years ago," said one, "who was about the most suave, polite man I ever saw. He had not been in the office a month before he knew every man in it and most of the women, and he shook hands with and inquired after the health and comfort of each one every time he met them, if it was a dozen times a day. It came to the ears of the then Public Printer that our polite friend had been expressing himself too freely about him at one of the down town hotels, and after an interview between them there was a polite man out of a job. But it didn't change his manner a particle, for when he came out of the Public Printer's room he was smiling, and as he went down to where he worked he stopped and shook hands with each one he met, borrowed a five here and a ten there all down the line—nobody could refuse such a polite, genial fellow—and took his hat and coat and left to return no more. All of which shows that one never loses anything by politeness, and he may be in a position to gain thereby."

"All of which reminds me," said another, "of a very polite man I knew out on the Pacific Coast—a Frenchman named Carriere. On meeting one, after greeting and shaking hands with him he would say, 'Excuse me, but won't you have a drink with me?' On another occasion, 'I beg your pardon, but won't you come and have dinner with me?' At another time, 'A thousand pardons, but I have tickets for the theatre; won't you gratify me by going with me?' and always attended by an effusive handshake. His cordiality and great politeness grew to be burdensome, and one morning the whole force of the office, editorial, reportorial, and printorial, held a meeting and passed resolutions excusing and pardoning Carriere from everything he had ever done, everything he might do in the future, and everything he could by any chance ever want to do, and presented them to him. The last I ever heard of him he had a position counting Indians on one of the reservations, and the boys were betting that he would shake hands with and beg the pardon of every Indian at least three times a day."

And then somebody instanced the great politeness of A. G. (or "Joskin") Allison when he was here—how, in beginning a story one day, he said: "He was the dirtiest, orneriest, most contemptible stinking son of a gun I ever knew—present company excepted."

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"I assure you, sir, that I was not always thus ragged."

"No, nor I. It's the d—d laundries."

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Last week I received a copy of a bill before the Pennsylvania Legislature, sent me by J. L. Rodier, which related to State printing, but before I had an opportunity to read it somebody annexed it. I can say nothing about it except that as a specimen of printing it was abominable, though undoubtedly exactly as the Legislature wanted it—spaced about two ems wide and without a punctuation mark in it. I suppose there is some great and good reason for that kind of printing, but as probably nobody knows it except a Philadelphia lawyer, I cannot hope to fathom it.

Last week I made a paragraph about my friend Charlie Peake, in which I spoke with great sorrow of the manner he had alluded to some of my writings that my "attacks on religion" had made the paper unfit to be taken into the home—and I reasoned with myself that if I was wrong in my estimate of the effect that religion has on a man my friend would come to me and say something like this:

"My dear boy, I want to apologize for the manner in which I spoke of you. I try to overcome the old Adam, the evil in my nature, but sometimes I forget myself. Nobody knows my shortcomings better than I do. I find the habit of backcapping one of the hardest to break myself of. I know what a nuisance I have been—butting in on other people's conversation, exercising my faculty of exaggeration until it almost reached the proportions of prevarication, illumining my conversation with constant references to myself, and similiar sins. I know what a hindrance I have been in societies of which I have been a member, taking the floor on all occasions and blathering along uninterestingly until you could have handled the disgust with a snow shovel. It is with shame that I recall how at base ball games I kept everybody within fifty feet of me from enjoying themselves by my inane and silly assumption of knowledge of the game and by the noise I made doing it. I now realize these things, and by the grace within me I am overcoming my vices. Sometimes I fail, as in this instance, and I hope you will graciously pardon me."

But no! (And this is new proof of the truth of the theory that religion does not really change a man a particle.) On meeting me he jumped on me; he reviled me; he called me names; he said things about me that the facts do not seem to warrant. I wanted to be convinced that I was wrong; that being religious made a man long-suffering and slow to anger, forgiving, and meek. It doesn't do it.

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Otto F. Thum, who runs the "Social Entertainment" column of the *Western Woodman*, of Denver, Colo., has copied my ax. It is a powerful useful weapon.

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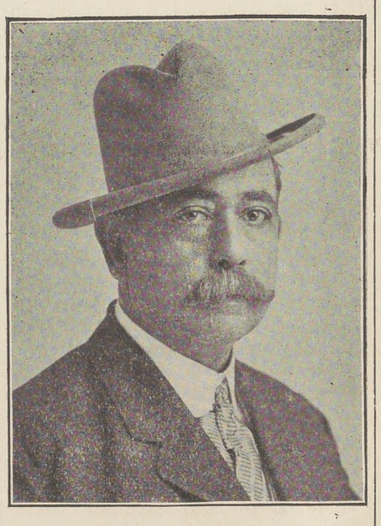
Below is a fair representation of Ellis G. Darnell, who was for a time a compositor and for a longer time a proofreader and reviser in the G. P. O. in the portion of time that is behind us. Becoming disconnected with his service



ELLIS G. DARNELL

in 1894, in the way that used to be fashionable at a change of administration, he returned to his Lebanon (Ind.) home, where he published a newspaper for the express purpose of carrying the State for the Republican ticket. Being successful in 1897 President McKinley appointed him postmaster of his little city, and he still has the job. When he shall have completed two terms, eight years, which will be in the near future, he will make no further claim to the office, having in view a fat partnership in a real estate firm. Mr. Darnell has made frequent visits to this city and his many friends here since returning to his Indiana home, and all office regulations, so far as applicable to certain of his friends, are declared off during his stay.

Mr. Darnell is one of the few men who have ever had the satisfaction of getting the best of a Washington landlord. One winter during his stay here his water pipes froze up. So did mine and those of everybody else. He sent his landlord notice, but that distinguished financier declined to interfere. The pipes bursted and flooded the house, whereupon Darnell vacated it. Then the landlord sued him for a month's rent in lieu of a month's notice. Darnell entered counter suit for damage to his household effects from the flooding, and the jury awarded him somewhere in the neighborhood of $30 damages and the landlord nothing for rent.

Though he was always a jolly, companionable fellow, this event gave life a more roseate hue than ever. He began to take on flesh, and he continued to do so until he reached the comfortable proportions of about two and a quarter. He felt kindly toward all mankind except landlords and Democrats, against each of which classes he thought that he had a justifiable grouch. In his new vocation as a real estate dealer he may bury the hatchet with the former, if there is any money in it, but every Democrat with whom he comes in contact should be provided with a coat-of-mail and a stomach pump, for if he doesn't get him one way he will the other.

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A country paper which I get occasionally, which seems to have an aching to cater to somebody, flies this at its masthead: "The man who makes the pay roll shall carry the keys." How would this do for an amendment: "Whoever has anything to sell, including labor, shall fix the price?"

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Mr. Dresden Smith, of Walhalla, S. C., father of Walter V. Smith and Dresden Smith, Jr., his brother, who is much better known here as "Shorty," spent last week in the city, visiting Walter, for 'Shorty" is now at Walhalla. Mr. Smith, who is a hale, well-preserved old gentleman, is the editor of a paper at Walhalla and the probate judge of his county, duties which engross his time pretty thoroughly. He is well versed in the lore of his town, which was originally settled by Germans, as the name would indicate, but who have become well Americanized, and with the Indian traditions of that section of the country, which was once the home of the Cherokees, quite a number of whom still live just across the line in North Carolina. While here he devoted considerable time to looking up the Revolutionary history of his family in the archives of the Government.

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I hope that all discussion in regard to the late election, the misdeeds of candidates, and the conduct of correspondents is now over. If continued it might lead to acrimony, recrimination, and hard words. So far everything has been good-natured. Let us hope that it will cease before hard feelings are engendered.

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The officers of St. Louis Typographical Union, No. 8, by the influence which they wielded over the membership, tried the experiment of disregarding I. T. U. law and defying the authority of the Executive Council; but finally the membership realized the position in which they were placed by having their charter suspended and yielded obedience, despite the officers. That the surrender is not final and was not graceful is evidenced by the second of the resolutions by which the obnoxious contract was rescinded, which is as follows:

Resolved, **That in the opinion of the Union this action is not an action upon the scale, within the meaning of the law, but is a compliance with the law as declared by the Executive Council, and is necessary in the emergency now confronting the Union, in order to preserve our charter rights, pending an appeal to the convention of the International Typographical Union.**

The Executive Council met the issue firmly from the inception of the rebellion and by its prompt action brought that Union to a realization of its position. The Council notified the president of the St. Louis Typothetae, after each of the Union meetings at which the officers were directed to sign the nine-hour contract, that the I.T.U. would not recognize the validity of the contract, and that without such recognition it would be null and void.

At the referendum election St. Louis Union had voted for the eight-hour day by 564 for to 96 against, and whenever and in whatever shape the eight-hour question came up she had given her allegiance unanimously. By what process of reasoning she decided that she was free to violate the plain provisions of the law is not easy to understand.

President Joe Jackson went to Indianapolis on June 15 and asked that the Executive Council so modify the order of suspension as to permit the issuance of traveling cards, payment of per capita, etc., the suspension to be nominal pending review of the case by the Toronto convention, but the Council declined to accede to it.

In a personal communication to me President Lynch says:

The result of the St. Louis temporary abandonment of the eight-hour day is indeed surprising. Instead of having an adverse effect on the movement generally, it appears to have intensified the determination of our members to obtain the shorter day.

J. J. Dirks, the well-known St. Louis correspondent of the *Typographical Journal*, strenuously opposed the action of his Union in making the nine-hour contract and insisted on the Executive Council taking the action which it did, though of course the Council needed no bolstering up. Dirks is true blue all the time.

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My friend (by adoption) Otto F. Thum, of Denver, has been elected one of the vice-presidents of the Municipal Ownership League, composed of the best people of that city. The Denver *Times*, which prints his picture, says of him:

"Otto F. Thum is probably the most influential member of organized labor in Denver. He has served one term as trustee of the State School of Mines and is a scholarly gentleman of unimpeachable probity."

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When you find a lady hog on a street car, on a steamboat, or on any other public conveyance or in any public place, she can discount the masculine beast, though his bristles extend the length of his back and his rushes protrude like cigarettes. The male hog is a hog in securing and maintaining his own comfort. The lady hog is one because she is unwilling to make the slightest concession to a stranger, and she usually exhibits a shuddering fear of contamination that is a pitiful as contemptible. I have had experience with both. I have slid along in my seat in a street car to let in an end-seat hog who made everybody else climb over him, and I have endured discomfort for an hour and a half on a steamboat from a female hog who, having plenty of room, would not move sufficiently to take the weight of her chair and herself off my knees. I came near getting licked in a theatre once for insisting on having my seat when a lady had jumped my claim during my momentary absence, the avenger being a stranger to both of us, and on another occasion I let a lady keep my $1.50 seat at the opera, and when I took a seat on the steps beside her she drew her skirts away and turned her back to me during the whole performance, having neglected to thank me in the first place. Haven't I got a reasonable kick a-coming?

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I learn from the Nashville *Labor Advocate* that the proprietors in Memphis have signed an eight-hour scale, to go into effect on July 1. This by way of offset to the ultimatum of the Philadelphia Typothetæ of a nine-hour day and open shops. Some up-to-date organizing is wanted in Philadelphia not attended by I. T. U. official aspirations.

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Edward F. Latham and Voler Vespucius Viles, of the First Division, were respectively elected Chief and Scribe of Washington Court, No. 1, Tribe of Ben Hur, last week. No better presiding officer or secretary could be chosen. Ben Hur is one of the few—perhaps the only one—of the fraternal insurance associations that have not recently raised or contemplate raising rates, and it has so little occasion for such action that it is piling up a reserve fund at the present very moderate rates. One dollar per month, the amount of insurance to be determined by the age of the member at admission, is the scheme of Ben Hur. But if you wish you can take a double-header policy by paying $2. Either of the above newly elected officers will tell you all about it.

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Don't get frightened over the reported purchase of seventy-two Lanstons. It may make you too nervous to operate one of them when they come. Don't get frightened over anything. There is always a living for the man who is willing to work. But I confess I don't want to go out and hunt for it, nor do I believe there will be any occasion for any considerable number to do so. The "grim messenger" is decreasing the force at the rate of about forty a year.

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One of the remarkable things to me is that the *Star*, the wealthiest paper in Washington, should show a desire to avoid paying the scale which its weaker opponent, the *Times*, pays willingly. It is possible that these papers might exchange financial positions if a contest with organized labor should be engaged in over so trifling a matter as that at stake.

A. F. BLOOMER.

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J. T. HERBERT,
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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

Pennsylvania Day at River View Friday, July 7.

How about that shower last Monday evening at 4.30? It certainly rained rain.

Did you us the balance of your unexpired leave, or did you get "called back?"

Corporal D. N. Carter, of th staff of laborers, has been transferred to the State Division.

Don't forget that the election for chairman will take place to-morrow (Friday) noon.

S. M. Milburn, laborer, has been transferred from the Library Division to this Division.

Our sick members, Messrs. Brodnax, Schoenman, and Sherman, are reported to be improving.

Among those whose leaves expired the present week were S. W. Langford, C. W. Henshaw, and John A. Onyun.

Have you filed your application for leave for the approaching new year? Clerk Berger is ready to wait upon all applicants.

Messrs. F. W. Kern, Charles Wilhelm, and J. F. Lane have been transferred from the Job Room. They appeared to be pleased upon being assigned to their old slugs, to say nothing of being returned to this Divison.

Messrs. L. D. Brandon and Geo. G. Wilson, of the District National Guard, have been doing "military duty" during the week.

The Rumor Committee has announced that "Honest" John O'Neill took passage on the Etruria last Saturday for Ireland.

The latest resignation, not heretofore recorded, was that of W. A. Brooks, helper, in Assistant Foreman Spottswood's room.

How did you like your holiday without pay? It certainly was a jolt. Cheer up. You were in ignorance while enjoying the recreation.

E. S. Wilver, paying teller, having returned from his leave, accompanied Disbursing Officer Bennett on Monday and was cheerful as ever.

ROUGH WRITER.

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Sixth Division.

"Cycle" says a Virginia bank was recently opened with prayer. The dynamite trust may yet be forced to the wall.

A man over in Georgetown was kicked a few days ago by a mule he was leading from a burning stable. Thats what I call a durn mean mule.

It is intimated that come of the G. P. O. scribes are becoming proficient in the use of the hammer. Recent issues of THE TRADES UNIONIST leads one to the belief that at least two of them are using pile drivers.

Wm. Herbert was added to the force of the Fifth Division machine tenders on Monday. Heretofore Mr. Herbert has been a guide for visitors through the office, and in that capacity has won the esteem of the hundreds whom he has piloted around the big building.

When the two new recruits of this Division were added to the Battery Company last week I felt pretty certain that they would ever be found where the bullets were the thickest, Sure enough, at the "maneuvres" last week they occupied positions on the ammunition wagon.

Oscar Nelson, of the Fourth Division, who put in the last session on a machine in this Division, will soon resign from the G. P. O., and seek better health in Southern California. A small truck and fruit farm, where he will have plenty of out-door exercise, will probably be his future vocation.

E. M. Nevils (Merg. 16) of this Division, has been elected to a lieutenancy in Battery I, D. C. N. G. Eddie's first appearance as a commissioned officer occurred at the review on the White House grounds last week, and as an eye-witness I can truthfully testify that he is not outclassed by anything that rides a horse when it comes to soldiery appearance.

A glance at the names of the men composing the new eight-hour committee for No. 101 will convince most anyone that President John R. Berg is aware of the important work which may come before that committee during the present year. T. C. Parsons, F. B. Crown, T. Monroe Kreiter, of the down town; Joe M. Johnson and Frank N. Kidd, from the G. P. O. Where can you beat that combination?

I met Richard Topham on the street the other day as he was emerging from a newspaper office, where he had just received a check for work done as a computer of baseball averages, of which Richard is an expert. Mr. Topham is generally employed in the Specification Division during the temporary season. He is one of the oldest and best-known printers in Washington, and joined the union when it was known as the Typographical Society.

There is a rumor down town to the effect that the Washington *Post* is soon to have enlarged quarters—the small buildings on the east side of the *Post* to be torn down and a handsome structure of similar design to the *Post* erected thereon. That more room is needed is obvious to anyone who ever paid that paper a visit. My informant also told me that when the building is completed special attention will be given to the composing room, which will be made one of the finest in the country.

At this writing there is considerable speculation going on among the printers as to whether the shop will shut down at 1 o'clock on Saturday. And while it is impossible at this time to forsee what action the President may take in the matter, it will be gratifying to printers to learn that as President of No. 101 Mr. Berg began several weeks ago to interest those high in authority in the matter, and was given every assurance that the Government Printing Office would be included in the Saturday closing order. Thus with these facts known, if I were a betting man I would lay big odds that the doors to the big printery will close at 1 o'clock next Saturday.

I understand another Mergenthaler machine is soon to be added to the battery now in use at the Library Branch. The nature of the work performed for the Library is probably the toughest, from the operators' standpoint, ever given to a manipulator of the keyboard. In days of hand composition from fifteen to eighteen cards a day was the best a compositor could do, but now an operator turns out from sixty to eighty per day, while as high as 118 in one day have been set by one man. There was a time when the Library Branch had about twenty or more compositors setting type from nickeled frames—but those were in days gone by.

While loafing about the town last week I found considerable interest being displayed by a few proprietors and many printers whom I met as to the outcome of machine rivalry in the G. P. O., those of a speculative turn of mind being more or less interested in the stock quotations of the Lanston Company in its upward flight. But this is not the first time Lanston stock has had a tendency to go skyward. Five times in the past eight years' history of the company stock has advanced rapidly, only to sink back to below one-third of its par value. Putting aside the question of the Lanston machine's ability to do the work claimed for it, to my way of thinking the field for its usefulness (for it is essentially a book machine) is so limited that the financial returns from the factory output can never exceed a very small per cent. And stock that doesn't pay a dividend has its drawbacks.

I dropped into the old Washington Light Infantry Armory last week, where the First Separate Battalion was assembling previous to a review on the White House Grounds. Its a habit of mine to haunt an armory, for in times past I have fought for my country both in the State of Kansas and the D. of C. National Guard. But army life in the District National Guard isn't what it used to be. Cape May and Atlantic City were camp sites a few years ago, and a first-class hotel the commissary department. On the evening of the drill the rain was falling, and as the companies assembled in their respective corners of the armory I noticed a terrible falling off in attendance. Then the first sergeants made their reports, one of which was: "Company B reports three officers, three sergeants, two corporals, and two privates present. There they were—Privates Mattox, of this Division; Coleman, of the First, and Corporals McFadden, of the Fifth and Powers, of this Division. Another demonstration that printers excel in everything they undertake.

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As I was standing on the parade grounds last week watching the review of the District Militia, an old colored man approached me and began to talk.

"Yo' think yo' lookin' at soldiers, doan yo'? Yo' aint, no suh, yo' aint. Yo' jes lookin' at boys playin' soldier. I done see soldiers in my time, I hab. I done see de creek at Bull Run so full ob blood it done overflow. Yes, suh, jes bile right ovah. I been down dar two yea's ago an' done see traces ob it yet."

"What's that?" asked a by-stander of the old uncle. "You don't mean to say you saw blood down there yet, do you?"

"No, suh," said uncle, "I doan say I see de real blood, suh, but dare am de deep gullies dare, suh, what was made by de blood flowin' down to de creek, suh."

Then he thought a moment and added:

"Tell you, son, I'm not so pow'ful suttin but dare ain't a little blood dere yet. But, suh, you nevah get dat much blood out ob dese fellows, 'cause it aint in 'em, dats why."

After asking for a small loan to assist a "worthy" veteran, he bade an affectionate adieu. CHAS. S. GUNN.

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Treasury Branch.

Miss Nellie Blair is taking the remainder of her leave.

George A. Seaman was transferred to the Fourth Division.

Miss Katherine V. Taylor joined our force of press feeders about two weeks ago.

Clint O. Price is acting assistant foreman and A. L. Randall is filling a vacancy as makerup.

James Willis has been a cripple for the past week or more. He has had gout in his right foot.

W. Brice Coston spent a week with relatives and friends on the Eastern Shore of Maryland recently.

Frank Fraser, assistant foreman of the press room, is on leave and Theodore Reier is acting in his place.

W. C. Jordan and G. F. Weidman have been with us several weeks, owing to the absence of several on leave.

Fred. J. Storch, pressman, who has been detailed to this Division for about weeks, returned to the main office Monday.

The order to close the office at 1 o'clock Saturdays during July, August, and September has the hearty approval of this force.

Foreman Constantine is on leave for the remainder of the month, and Assistant Foreman Gaylor is in charge during his absence.

Miss Lizzie Schaeffer, forelady of the folding room, returned from leave this week. During her absence Mrs. Winnifred Broderick was in charge.

E. T. Stephenson and L. H. Burton have joined the District National Guard. The former is a member of the ambulance corps and the latter a plain private in the ranks.

Edward Y. Fisher represents this Division as far as Union committees are concerned, President Berg having appointed him as a member of the Grievance Committee.

Edward E. Magruder, of this Division, who had the misfortune to fall and injure himself quite seriously several weeks ago, has sufficiently recovered to be able to return to work.

Benedict Kirsch returned last week from a month's leave spent with his parents at Boonville, Ind., and with friends at Louisville, Ky. His wife and daughter remained in Louisville until Sunday last.

T. McMahon, who has been employed in this Division for the past seven years, left the first week in June for his home in Columbus, Ohio, to be absent at least two months. If the business he contemplated going in proves successful he will not return. Mr. McMahon is is a true gentleman, a faithful friend, and a most excellent printer. We all wish him an abundance of success.

John H. Eagle, age eighty-eight, the oldest printer in Indianapolis, died on the 11th of June. In 1856 he was foreman of the Indianapolis *Journal*, which position he held for about twelve years. Of the printers who worked under him at that time only three are now living, namely: Theophilus McClure, of this Division; Capt. William Meredith, in charge of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, and James Gogan, who is in the retail grocery business in Indianapolis. Each of these three gentlemen are over 70 years of age and are enjoying unusually good health.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Specification Notes.

The order for Lanstons set the busy tongues a-wagging.

Miss Mary A. Connolly has received her commission as copyholder.

The efficiency roll posted each morning is as variable as the thermometer readings.

The increasing number of patent issues has necessitated a conveyance for Messenger Thomas, who now makes four trips daily.

The announcement that there is no money available for unused leaves caught a number of this force with their suspenders down.

Hutchison has made a study of the style-book on checkers till Melick no longer has occasion to complain of the lonesomeness of the game.

The next regular pay day for this Division will fall on the 3d of July, but we are not without hope that the envelopes will reach us on Friday or Saturday of this week.

It has been observed that this Division is not represented in the Printing Office Baseball League. The explanation is that the "Spess" folks have a habit of working eight hours a day.

John F. Putnam, Jr., has received an appointment as proofreader, to succeed O. A. Calkins, resigned. The appointment is a recognition of merit, hence the sincere congratulations by Mr. Putnam's many friends.

One rumor has it that employees will be paid by checks, beginning with the new fiscal year. Another is that paydays will be by the month instead of bimonthly. These things and others, with the mercury at 90, have a tendency to keep the mind active.

A local real estate dealer recently advertised for sale a house and lot for $11,000, which he claimed was $6,000 less than its actual value. Perhaps it is just as well to wait a little, for it is only a question of time when these benefactors will be giving the "pick" of houses and lots with a prize to takers, just as a proof of their undying devotion to homeless ones.

The original Order of Macabees of the District of Columbia have arranged for a fraternal picnic and excursion to River View on Monday next, July 3d. The trip by boat and the occasion generally will present many pleasing attractions, both for adults and the children, the fare, round trip, being 25 cents; children under 12 years, free. The invitation is to everybody, with the guarantee of a fine day of rest and pleasurable sports. Boats will leave Seventh Street wharf at 10 a. m., 2.15 and 6.45 p. m.

The *Washington Post* last Sunday contained a very interesting article, with portrait, detailing the life services of Hon. Ellis H. Roberts, now United States Treasurer, but who in earlier life was first a printer, afterward editor, politician and Congressman. The portrait bears a striking resemblance to Public Printer Palmer. The two served as members of the same Congress several years ago, a fact made known by Mr. Roberts in the article referred to in these words: "One of my colleagues in the House during my first term was Public Printer Frank W. Palmer. He was, as he is now, a man of fine personal bearing and popular manners, esteemed by everybody in the House." Members of the craft may indulge a pardonable pride that so many of the "art preservative" have been chosen from the ranks to bear a part in the best that has been attained in intellectual, moral and material advancement.

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A Parting Word.

WASHINGTON, *June* 27, 1905.

Editors THE TRADES UNIONIST:

Just a parting word to the readers of THE TRADES UNIONIST.

It has been assumed by Bloomer that because I chose to hold and express opinions different from his as to candidates, etc., at the time of the May election, I was a fit object for insult, ridicule, and indecent attack of various kinds. In Bloomer's last production he speaks of handling me with a stable fork. He need not have specified his instrument. It is the one with which he handles every person or thing he writes about. He meets my challenge that he prove his assertion that I was "influenced" against his pet candidate with the usual shifting evasion which is characteristic of him. He knew when he made that statement, and he knows now, that it was a lie, pure and simple. In short, his whole story about his belief that I was the "instrument for the venting of the spleen of another" is nothing more nor less than a dirty, malicious lie.

On Friday evening, June 16, leaving the office by way of Jackson Alley, as is my invariable custom, I was followed and waylaid by "a certain candidate," who, after indulging in much needless profanity, wound up by declaring that Bloomer was not his mouthpiece. If some one thought I "cringed" it was because the wish was father to the thought.

Finally, it does not become Bloomer to talk of "honor," nor will it until he has rehabilitated himself with Columbia Union for the shameful exhibition he made of himself when he was sent to represent this city in the Cincinnati convention of the I. T. U.

This letter will conclude my correspondence with THE TRADES UNIONIST.

Acting as correspondent for the Third Division since the fall of 1903, I have striven to make my department interesting, at the same time trying to do justice to everybody. In that period there has been no statement made over my signature that I did not believe to be true, nor that I do not now believe to be true.

Yours sincerely,

J. W. BELCHER.

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Industrial Notes.

The coast defenses of this country have cost upward of $100,000,000.

A daily train is being run between New York and Chicago on an eighteen hour schedule.

The Philippine government will construct 1,200 miles of railway to connect the richer portions of the islands with the sea.

Hartford, Conn., has an electric street sprinkler which covers from thirty to forty miles daily and performs double the work heretofore done by two two-horse teams.

By a decision of the Supreme Court a State may levy taxes on the value of the privileges it has given to corporations and individuals. In the case of New York State, whose law was attacked by the suit just decided, it means the payment of millions in back taxes; over twenty-four million dollars to New York City alone. But, far more important than that, the States now have a power by which they may recover for all the people the benefits resulting from valuable franchises which in the past have been given away through ignorance or corruption.

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

Jere F. McCarthy Elected President Without Any Opposition.

STONE LABORERS STILL OUT

General Discussion on Unfair List—Horse Shoers Have a Grievance—Master Paper Hangers Given a Hearing—Firemen Get Increased Pay in Breweries.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 15 p. m. on Monday, President Dickman in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

On motion, the order of business was suspended and Mary F. Terry and Rebecca Meskell, representing Collar and Cuff Starchers Union, No. 1, of Troy, N. Y., were given an audience, and addressed the Union on conditions existing in the establishment of Cluett, Peabody & Co., of Troy, N. Y.

On motion, an appropriation of $25 was made for support of the locked out members of Troy, N. Y., Collar and Cuff Starchers Union.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE.

The Grievance Committee reported progress on American Ice Co., Arlington Brewing Co., and A. Cohen.

On communication of Columbia Typographical Union, relative to case of Samuel Artz, the committee recommended that the communication be returned to that organization with certain information received by this committee, which was agreed to. They also returned a communication from Carpet Mechanics Union, No. 1, asking that Peter Grogan be first firm placed on special "We Do Not Patronize List." On motion, the matter of selection in this and all future cases was placed in hands of an executive committee consisting of all the officers of the Union and chairmen of various committees.

CREDENTIALS.

Theatrical Stage Employes: Wm. Mueller, John T. Hurley, Joseph P. Shilling, C. Tilly, and D. R. Allen.

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Printing Pressmen Union, No. 1: H. S. Fleshutz, Henry Jaeger.

Bartenders League, No. 75: Jere F. McCarthy, James Howard, J. J. Crowley, J. McGilton, and C. I. Hill.

Beer Drivers and Stablemen, No. 234: John Murr, J. F. Forney, Arthur Hunt, A. D. Manger, Timothy Sullivan.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Local, No. 22, Stage Employes, indorsing action of Central Labor Union in placing Samuel Artz on unfair list. Placed on file.

From Theatrical Stage Employes, giving notice of change in secretary and address. Placed on file.

From Merwin McKaig, Cumberland, Md., stating that he is in need of two good pattern makers for a jobbing foundry. Referred to Pattern Makers League.

From Horseshoers Union, No. 17, stating that having failed to adjust differences with Corby Bros. Baking Co. and Joseph Crupper & Son, millers, who are having horses shod in unfair shops, desire cases taken by Grievance Committee. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Frank McConnon, asking aid of Central Labor Union in locating a long lost brother. Referred to Electrical Workers, No. 248.

The chair having announced that a delegation from Master Paper Hangers Association desired an audience, on motion it was granted.

The chair then introduced R. E. Farr, president of Master Paper Hangers Association, who dwelt on certain conditions surrounding the contract recently entered into by his Association and Paper Hangers Union, No. 420. On motion, the Executive Committee of the Central Labor Union were instructed to appear before Paper Hangers Union, No. 420, at its meeting on Wednesday next, and see that the agreement was carried out. The Secretary was also directed to notify the Master Paper Hangers Association of action taken by this body.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Hod Carriers: That members of their Local were not employed on the Munsey building, and requested that the Secretary be instructed to communicate with Mr. Munsey and The Fuller Construction Co. and request that members of Hod Carriers Union be employed. The request was granted.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen: Delegate Hellmuth made a statement regarding proposed legislation in New York State which would affect his organization. Referred to Legislative Committee.

Printing Pressmen: That the organization would have an excursion to Marshall Hall on August 5, and extended a general invitation to attend.

Painters: That an increase of wages would go into effect for their members on and after August 1.

Sheet Metal Workers: Asked for information as to status of Joseph Mathy on "We Do Not Patronize List." The chair gave desired information.

Stone Laborers: That their members were still locked out, and asked that Contract Committee arrange a meeting with Stone Contractors Association. Request granted.

Stationery Firemen: That a contract had been signed by that organization with various breweries, giving an increase of twenty-five cents per day.

Labor Day Committee reported progress.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Nominations for officers for the ensuing year were declared in order.

President Dickman being placed in nomination, declined.

Delegate Jere F. McCarthy, of Bartenders League, No. 75, being nominated for president, he was elected unanimously.

For vice-president, Delegate Sprague, of Printing Pressmen Union, and Dele- Ross, of Sheet Metal Workers, were nominated.

Delegate Sprague was elected.

For recording secretary, Delegate Chas. W. Winslow, of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers Union, No. 5, was re-elected.

For treasurer, Delegates C. A. Pfau, J. M. Heisley, and H. T. La Clair were nominated. A point of order being made on the eligibility of Delegate Heisley, he withdrew his name.

A ballot being taken for treasurer resulted in the election of Delegate La Clair.

The old war horse, Delegate Samuel Beckett, was re-elected doorkeeper.

For trustees Delegates James L Feeney, John Webber, and J. W. Considine, were elected.

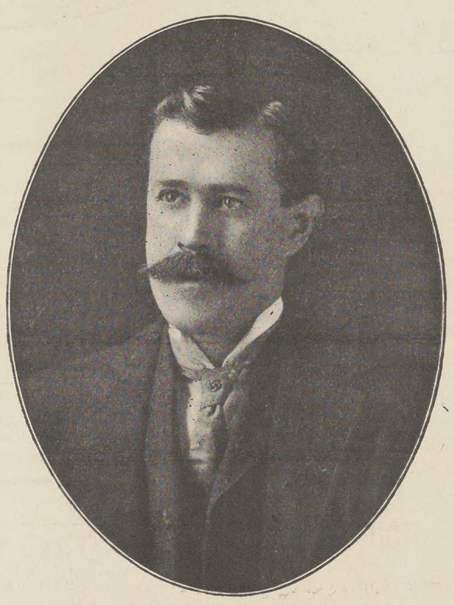
President Dickman then installed the newly elected officers.

In assuming the chair, President McCarthy tendered his thanks for the honor conferred upon him.

Ex-President Dickman then turned over the $500 check which had been drawn to help liquidate the affairs of the defunct Union Outfitters to Men Co.

On motion, a rising vote of thanks was given to retiring President Dickman.

Adjourned.



JERE F. McCARTHY,
President of the Central Labor Union.

JERE F. McCARTHY was born on April 26, 1858. He received very little education, being compelled to leave school at the early age of 11 to assist his father, who was engaged in business at that time. The close confinement of an indoor life having affected his health, at the age of 18 he sought work among the building trades, and obtained employment with a builder as a carpenter's apprentice. He applied himself assiduously to learning the trade, and in a little over two years took charge and supervised all work of his employer, who was employing at least twenty-five carpenters. During his apprenticeship he "burnt the midnight oil" in the study of architecture and made himself a competent and capable draftsman. In the latter part of the 70's, while still an apprentice, he went out in sympathy with the carpenters when on strike, who were making a demand for an increase in wages. The members of old Carpenters Union No. 101 were so elated over the affair that they admitted him to full membership in their organization, the only apprentice up to that time so honored. He was a member of Carpenters Assembly, No. 1748, K. of L., and was in the strike for eight hours in the latter 80's. The strike was unsuccessful, but it was practically the beginning of the eight-hour day for the trade here in the District of Columbia. From 1890 to 1893 he engaged in the building business, and erected a dozen or more houses in that time, all of which were built by members of organized labor and who carried paid-up cards. Afterward he formed a partnership with W. T. Whelan in the grocery business, and eventually drifted into the craft which he now represents at the Central Labor Union—the "Bartenders," which was organized September, 1901. He has been a delegate to the Central Labor Union since the formation of his organization and has been a faithful worker for the interests of organized labor. He has served two terms as an executive officer of his International organization and has attended all conventions of that body with the exception of the last—illness preventing.

Locked Out in 'Frisco.

Two hundred printers and one hundred pressmen have been locked out by the employers in the conflict between the Typothetæ and the unions over the question whether the men shall work eight or nine hours a day. At the union headquarters the announcement was made that not a single desertion had been made from the ranks of the men, who are insisting on the eight-hour day. Non-union men in a number of places have refused to return to work under the nine-hour day.

Delegates Elected.

Local No. 102, Sheet Metal Workers International Alliance, at its last meeting elected B. Egloff, Thomas F. Ryan, Joseph A. Daly, and R. G. M. Ross delegates to Sheet Metal Workers International Alliance, which meets in this city next month.

Local No. 102 has appointed a committee to look after the entertainment of delegates and visitors during the convention.

One-third of the railroads in Japan are owned and operated by the Japanese Government.

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Among The Building Trades

EDITED BY W. E. KENNEDY.

PAINTERS.

This trade will get their increased scale ($3.50) beginning August 1. They asked it for July 1. Master Painters said September 1. After a conference between both parties interested, they agreed to "split the difference." Result: Men continuing to work.

Business Agent Lewis was re-elected, and his majority would indicate the perfect confidence the organization has in his ability and faithfulness.

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ELECTRICAL WORKERS, NO. 26.

This Local had a largely attended meeting Thursday night. The election of officers who will preside for the next six months was the cause of such an unusual turn out. But few changes were made.

President Yeabower ("Chris") was re-elected by practically an unanimous vote. He has made such an excellent presiding officer that the members feel it would be almost impossible to do business without Chris.

There has been a temporary Acting Financial Secretary since the resignation of Bro. Ed. Nothnagel. Brother John Hebbard was elected to fill this important office. Bro. Hebbard is one of our oldest members, and was for years our Secretary. Hence we feel that in his present position we have secured a trustworthy officer.

Bro. W. E. Kennedy succeeded Bro. Nelson as Recording Secretary.

From the looks of happiness on the faces of Watham, Forney and Petrie 'twas easy to see that a load of work had been lifted from their backs, when a new examining board assumed the duties they had so faithfully performed.

Grand President F. J. McNulty was present, and in a few words told us of the prospects for a settlement of the lockout in New York, which was indeed news to us, as our brothers there have had an awful time for the past year.

The Grand Vice-President of our District was also present, and made a very short talk excusing its brevity to the fact that the "hour was late, etc."

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IRON WORKERS.

The situation of the strike of this craft against the Pennsylvania Steel Company remains the same. The members of Local No. 5, both here on the highway bridge, and up in Maryland and West Virginia, where this company is erecting many bridges for the Wabash Railroad, are still out. Up to this time, in Local No. 5's jurisdiction, there has been no effort on the part of the company to place other men to work in their places.

The Miscellaneous Trades.

YOU KNOCK UNIONISTS.

If you buy non-union goods when union products can be obtained you are helping to keep some union man out of a job. In other words, you are doing practically what the strike-breaker does. And you are doing it in such an underhanded way that you are not even called a "hero." It has been said that a little child asking for the label on goods is a more potent force for the advancement of unionism than a man on a strike.

The union man is judged by the coat he wears; that is to say, by the presence or absence of the union label. Do you trade unionist that work and fight for better wages, less hours, etc., (for yourselves) *even think of this* when you buy your goods THAT DO NOT HAVE THE LABEL.

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CLUETT, PEABODY & CO.

Some weeks ago I called attention in these columns to the attitude of this firm towards their employees. A committee composed of two ladies from Troy, N. Y., appeared before the Central Labor Union on Monday night. They are making an effort to secure financial assistance. There is little doubt but what they will be as successful here as they have been in the other cities they have visited. The ladies tell of very "strenuous" times up there, in trying to keep strike breakers idle, and excuse their strenuousness by simply saying, "We had too, though it was not work that was suited to us."

Union men who have had experience in persuading strike breakers to come off jobs can easily undestand how pleasant such work must be to the ladies.

This firm's collars are found in many of the stores and if you will remember when you are buying collars—to look at them and see if this name is on them, *then tell the merchant why you don't want them*, you'll do much towards helping these much-abused women out.

Joseph R. Buchanan, who has been to Troy and made a personal investigation, says:

In a review of the situation in the strike of the Troy starchers a few days ago I mentioned the fact that Starchers' Union, No. 1 was not affiliated with any national or international union. Since then the situation has changed in that particular. On Tuesday the union became Union No. 2 of Shirt Waist and Laundry Workers' International Union.

It is an unusual proceeding for an international organization to admit to membership a local union when the latter is engaged in a strike. But conference committees of the international and local in this instance prefected the arrangement which resulted in an entirely satisfactory consummation, as noted above.

I have been investigating other branches of the collar making industry in Troy, and find that the class of workers known as "operators," who are unorganized, are worse abused than were the starchers, who struck. They certainly are in need of the protection of a good, strong union.

In the factory of Cluett, Peabody & Co. the operators are subjected to a system of fines, assessed for petty little mistakes, which makes it absolutely impossible for the best and most careful worker to go through the week without considerable deductions from her earnings.

And each operator has to pay the firm 50 cents a week rent for the sewing machine she uses, and she has to keep the machine in good repair at her own expense. The operators must furnish oil for the machine and thread for making the collars, both of which articles must be purchased from the company, at prices above what the same articles cost in the stores.

They also have to pay for sweeping and cleaning the workroom, and, mark this, each girl is assessed five cents per week for drinking water. Up to this time air in the workroom has been free to the operators.

Although the operators work on the piece system, they are compelled to be at the factory from 7 a. m. until 6. p. m., whether there is work for them to do or not. They are not allowed anything for waiting time, though they may not be given anything to do for a stretch of several hours.

The average earnings of a skilled operator is $7.50 per week; some weeks they make more and some weeks less.

Troy also has its sweating system in the collar industry. This is the buttonhole making branch of the work. The collars are taken out of the factory to their homes by Armenians, who work the buttonholes under conditions similar to those which prevail among the East Side sweatshops of New York. The sweaters make the buttonholes for about one-third of the price paid to the workers in the factories.

Officers of the union report that the strikers are as determined as when they walked out, ten weeks ago. There has not been a single break in the ranks.

Weekly benefits are being regularly paid, and so far there have been funds enough to meet all expenses.

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PRINTING PRESSMEN.

The seventh annual convention of the Printing Pressmen and Assistants' International Union re-elected President Martin Higgins. Mr. Higgins is a typical trade unionist, an able representative of his craft and a self-made man. He began the battle of life when but eight years old, selling papers in the city of Boston.

Secretary-Treasurer Webb was also re-elected; he has held the office for seven years.

The Printing Pressmen's International Union has 18,000 members, and the recent convention was both representative and chuck full of business. Resolutions favoring the eight-hour day and Japanese and Korean Exclusion have been adopted.

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PASTORS FORM UNION.

An exchange says the pastors of the churches in New Brunswick, N. J., have formed a union and are affiliated with the central labor body of that city. Good for the preachers! Many of them need an increase in salary and relief from customs that are a detriment to them in their work. Through contact with the laboring men of New Brunswick the ministers, as well as organized labor, are likely to be benefited.

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

Charles T. Graff resigned from the Government Printing Office on Monday last, his position in the Bureau of Commerce and Labor becoming permanent.

I am pleased to note that the Ladies All-English Tennis Championship was won by an American girl from Pasedena, Cal.; further, that she is of the tribe of Sutton.

A letter from Colonel Slack, now publishing *The Courier*, at Bristol, Tenn., says he is working seventeen hours a day and does not have time to think. He sends regards to inquiring friends.

Late testimony calls to mind a remark of Colonel C. R. Edwards, Director-General of Uncle Sam's Island possessions, to the effect that, "If Captain Brian says buy balloons to print with, we'll buy 'em."

When Columbia set the Nation's pace
And with the sisters took her place,
This message blazed o'er land and sea:
"Go strike a blow for liberty."

And through the cycle of the years,
Replete with hope, replete with fears,
Our motto be, this natal day:
"To higher planes we lead the way."

There is no valid reason why Brother Belcher should observe Rule 9; in other words, sever his connection as a contributor to this publication. Let us sincerely hope that for many moons he will add to the gaiety by his correspondence.

As to Rule 9, at the Penitentiary in Joliet, it is reported, there were posted in the corridors eight rules for the conduct of the inmates. Underneath one of the wits added: "Rule 9. If you don't like this, you know what you can do."

In Fort Wayne, some years ago, a speaker remarked, in my hearing, "Take the Ohio men out Indiana and you have a blank small State." Witnessing a parade of the District artillery on the Fourth, the thought came to me that if you were to take the G. P. O. representatives out of that organization you would have a blank small company.

The Washington correspondent of the *Baltimore American* says that, while Public Printer Palmer "avails himself promptly of every labor-saving device invented, and the office at present has in use nearly 100 typesetting machines, it is not of record that there is a single printer less on the rolls today than there was before the machines were installed."

To which a contributor to that paper replies:

"To the best of my recollection there has not been a compositor (male) appointed in the Government Printing Office since February 6, 1903. Two appointments were made in February of this year in the Specification Division under Captain Ramsey, and they were female compositors. Your correspondent could have read the annual report of the United States Civil Service Commission on this subject.

The *American*, being a paper that believes in giving everyone a square deal, should investigate this subject and give the Public Printer his just dues. The Government Printing Office never has had a public printer that could equal Frank W. Palmer in the discharge of his duties, and he has an able assistant in Foreman Oscar J. Ricketts. At the lowest calculation 100 employes have either died or resigned since February, 1903, and with the appointment of the two female compositors under Captain Ramsey there certainly cannot be as many on the rolls as there were two years ago.

H. S. SUTTON.

Strike Averted.

A strike of 50,000 housesmiths throughout the country has just been averted by the National Association of Erectors of Structural Steel and Iron signing an agreement with International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers for a year.

The last agreement expired some time ago, and the question of renewing it had been put off repeatedly by the employers, who finally declined to make any agreement.

A strike had actually been called in some cities, when a conference was arranged between the officers of the International and the Association, and the agreement of last year was renewed, continuing the present wages of $4 50 a day.

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THURSDAY, JULY 6, 1905.

NOTICE.

During the months of June, July and August this office will be closed at 12 o'clock noon on Saturday.

Unjust Discrimination.

The employes of the Naval Gun Factory were again given a sample of the marked indifference shown by the officials of the Navy Department to their interests on last Saturday.

In signing the order for the Saturday half holiday for Government Departments the inference carries with it the intention to close all Departments.

Columbia Lodge of Machinists, whose members comprise the majority of the employes of the Naval Gun Factory, had arranged for an outing on the river last Saturday in anticipation of the usual Saturday half holiday order applying to the Naval Gun Factory.

It is well known in the Yard that preparations had been made for the outing, the fact being advertised in the shops.

But the order to close the Yard was not issued. The result was that nearly two thousand men who had not been excused took French leave and left the Yard without a man in most of the shops.

While less than a hundred were disciplined for leaving without permission this is due to the fact that most of the foremen recognized the injustice done the employes of the Yard and did not make a report against the truants.

It is disheartening to men skilled in their craft to work under conditions such as imposed by petty officers in the Navy Department, and a remedy must be applied. Men working in the Naval Gun Factory have done service in the field and at home and will resent this Russianizing by Bureaucratic officials.

What is needed is the voice of a BRIGHT on the floor of Congress to show up the petty meanness indulged in by the officers of the Navy who have been educated, clothed, and given positions in the world by the common people taxed for their support.

Down with Bureaucracy!

Elected Delegate.

Thomas C. Fox, of Bakery Wagon Drivers Union, No. 33, was elected a delegate to represent his Union in the Teamsters International Union at Philadelphia next month. Mr. Fox carries a card in Columbia Typographical Union, but he was compelled to seek outdoor employment on account of his health. Mr. Fox is a consistent and earnest worker in the ranks of labor and deserves recognition for past services to his organization.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

The Union Outfitters to Men Company is no more. Incompetency, ignorance, and bad faith killed it. The first unfortunate move was to begin business with about one-fourth of the capital paid in. It is true that that is more money than corporations generally have with which to begin; but they rarely have enemies determined to ruin them. At the first flurry those who had not paid their subscriptions refused to do so and never did pay them. The next unfortunate move was to put a man in charge who had always been an enemy of organized labor, and who, as soon as his duplicity was discovered and he was dismissed, made the threat, "I'll put you on the street inside of three weeks," and if he had said three months he would have made good. Then a man was put in charge who did not know enough to go in when it rained, and who would not have told the true reason for going in if he had done so. After he had fooled everybody for some weeks it was discovered that he was not even a stockholder. Splendid appointments for the store were gone into debt for, magnificent salaries were paid, and at no stage could anyone tell how much cash had been taken in or how much was owed. When the difficulties came it was announced that the salary list had been reduced $85 a week—more than it ought ever to have been. When creditors made propositions, nobody took the pains to have them in black and white, and when the test came nobody knew whether the propositions had actually been made or whether they had been repudiated. When a customer came in, the manager preferred talking to him about what a splendid enterprise it was to selling him goods. He could tell anybody anything except the people who had a right to know, and to them he had no information of a reliable character to impart. There were competitive enemies to undermine credit; there was treason in the management, followed by the grossest incompetency and deceit; there was bad faith on the part of stockholders, and thus there was a magnificent opportunity lost. Oh, there were honest men connected with it—but they didn't know. They were able to secure pledges for capital, they had the workingmen's confidence, but they lacked experience. They now have the experience, but they lack the other two elements.

"You fellows can lay brick, and shoe horses, and plaster houses, and drive nails, and set type, and run planing machines, and paint, and dig, and hew, but you haven't got sense enough to do business."

Looks like it, don't it?

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August Donath, of the Army Division, Pension Office, received a promotion to $1,800 on July 1—a fact which will be heard of with much pleasure by his many friends and which will pain his few enemies. It is only a good man who has both friends and enemies.

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Mrs. Bessie N. Wild gave her annual pupils' recital on Wednesday of last week, at Pythian Temple, in the presence of a well-filled house. The programme was long, consisting of twenty-three numbers, comprising solo, four-hand, and eight-hand piano selections, and vocal solos and a lady trio. The pupils exhibited marked proficiency in their work, as the result of the careful, conscientious training Mrs. Wild has given them, and earning for her even a greater reputation than she has heretofore borne as a most capable teacher. The following are the names of her pupils: Misses Yolande E. Burchfield, Florence Gompers, Deborah Louise Hickman, Gertrude Langford, Maryland Langford, Florence Moyer, Marian Paul, Fern Prince, Gertrude Reamer, Ethel Swaine, Mary Louise Wood, Nettie Wallace, Beatrice Ward, and Mabel Webb; Mesdames Cora Reamer Clarke, Herbert Hollidge, Jessie Spencer Hover, Alice Kennedy, and Nellie V. Suess; Messrs. Will E. Burchfield, William Lawman, and Stephen Th. Westdal; and Masters Edmond Hatcher, David L. C. Hover, and Erwin Proudley. Mrs. Wild accompanied the vocalists herself, in which she exhibited the taste of a true musician. Many large, beautiful bouquets were presented to the pupils at the end of their numbers.

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Last Monday night John B. Dickman completed two years' service as president of the Central Labor Union, from which he retired, and twenty-five years membership in Columbia Typographical Union, as he came here July 3, 1880. During that time he has served the Union in many capacities, having been a delegate to Pittsburg in 1886, when his colleagues were the late Julian L. Wright and O. F. Mattingly, and president in 1888. He has done much excellent service on committees and in the Central Labor Union, remaining one of the delegates to the latter body, though retiring from the presidency. He is interested in and a tireless worker for a number of enterprises in which workingmen are interested, and is heart and soul a union man.

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Miss Deborah Hickman, granddaughter of the late William H. Hickman, is developing a very sweet soprano voice, under the instruction of Mrs. Wild, and promises to make a singer of note. Even when a little child she had a very pure voice and showed considerable talent. She is also becoming quite proficient on the piano. She is now summering in Washington County, Md.

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The Association of ex-Delegates of Columbia Union held its regular quarterly meeting at Typographical Temple at 3 o'clock last Sunday afternoon. President Zach T. Jenkins was in the chair and Treasurer Charles W. Otis was in his place, but Secretary John T. Herbert had a "sub" on in the person of ex-Delegate James Monroe Kreiter. It subsequently developed that Major Herbert's absence was occasioned by his being engaged in getting married, whereupon Secretary pro tempore Kreiter was directed to convey to him the Association's felicitations. The principal business was a spirited debate on a proposition to disband the Association and appropriate the funds in the treasury to the fund of Columbia Union for furnishing a room at the Union Printers' Home at Colorado Springs, which was defeated. Then the Committee on Entertainment was instructed to co-operate with Columbia Union in whatever measures should be taken looking to the entertainment of delegates to Toronto who might stop in this city. It was decided to again submit the question of disbandment at the October meeting, each member to be notified of the meeting and of the proposed action. Committees were appointed to draft suitable resolutions on the death of ex-delegates and the president empowered to appoint such committees in future on the death of members, without waiting for the action of the Association.

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Mr. Belcher has gone from among us, his "Parting Word" being an outburst of impotent passion. It is easy to denounce a statement as a "lie," but totally worthless as an argument. He was judged by the evidence and the probabilities as shown by the surrounding circumstances, and he cannot make any one else believe it was a "lie," however much he may denounce it as such. It is not a lie, half as much as the truth, that hurts. If I had lied about Mr. Belcher, he would have laughed at me; as evidence that I told the truth about him, he screamed with rage. That about covers the case.

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Will E. Burchfield, though suffering from a cold and not in the best condition to show what is in him, and not having a particularly pleasing number in Buck's "Sunset," acquitted himself very creditably at Mrs. Wild's pupils' recital last week. He is a conscientious student and his honest work shows in the steady improvement of his voice, under Mrs. Wild's careful training.

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There are a few persons—not of noted brain power—who are in the habit of asserting that I "exercise a censorship" over the columns of THE TRADES UNIONIST, cutting out or "blue-penciling" what I do not want to appear. As a reflection on me, I care nothing about this, but as an unwarranted insult to Mr. Ring I resent it. I have never, on any occasion, even preferred a request to Mr. Ring or to any other proprietor of THE TRADES UNIONIST in regard to what he should insert, nor have I ever asked or had access to the proofs, except on a very few occasions when I have asked to see my own. This statement, with those whose friendship I value, will "go;" for the others I care nothing further after placing them in possession of the facts.

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Some of my friends now want me to "knock the hind sights" off of Sonny Gunn; but if he is never discharged from THE TRADES UNIONIST until I pull the trigger, he will remain the same genial smooth bore, going off half-cocked for a long time yet.

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A cigar drummer made the statement recently that more "scab-made" cigars than union-made goods are consumed in Swampoodle. I do not want to believe that, though I have heard members of Columbia Union call for non-union brands when they could have union-label cigars of better flavor at the same stand at the same price. If you are a union man, why not be a union man all through? No good union man will furnish work for scabs in any line, and that is what he does when he buys non-union tobacco in any form.

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"How shall we teach trades unionists to buy only union-made goods?" has been inquired. By keeping continually at them. It took a hundred years to teach the people the wrong of human slavery, and scabbery is only another form of slavery. But people learn more rapidly now than in the old days, and the workingman is learning rapidly to look after his own interests in every way. The unionists who deliberately buys scab goods is helping the man who employs the scab to make them.

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John A. Onyun returned last Sunday from his old home, Peoria, Ill., where he had gone to attend the session of the State convention of the Allied Printing Trades (I don't know the exact name of it), of which he has been the secretary since its organization, thirteen years ago, and to which he was re-elected, against his protest. He says the reports on the eight-hour question were all most satisfactory, there being little doubt of its success everywhere as the proprietors recognize that it is the logical result of the progress that is being made in all lines of industry.

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Joe Babcock is a sort of human phenomenon. Falling on the ice last winter and breaking a leg when he was already in a physical condition which warranted his friends in feeling great solicitude for him, he comes back to work in a couple of months and proceeds to get himself into a better shape than he was before he was hurt. On top of all his troubles he buys a house and moves into it, and I shall not be surprised to hear in a couple of years that he has it paid for. But he has three boys who likewise phenomena in their way—that is, they have gone to work instead of expecting the old man to buy their cigarettes for them until in the third decade of their existence.

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Maurice H. Phillips, of the Job Room, is soliciting subscriptions for the *American Tyler*, of Ann Arbor, Mich., the best Masonic paper in the world, and by giving him their subscriptions our printer Masons will not only help a worthy man, but will benefit themselves. The fact that I am a contributor to the *Tyler* warrants my belief in in its excellence.

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An entirely satisfactory understanding has been arrived at between the officers of the Evening Star Company and the committee of the Union having the matter in charge. In its more than fifty years' existence the *Evening Star* has always been friendly to Columbia Typographical Union and its predecessor, the old Columbia Typographical Society, and it is safe to believe that we will never have a rupture of the pleasant relations.

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William M. Garrett is connected with the Sudwarth Printing Company and looking after its interests among the business public. This is one of the most honorable concerns in the city, and in giving work to it one can feel certain that he is not contributing to the Typothetæ defense fund.

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By a letter from J. J. Dirks, of St. Louis, I learn that St. Louis Union had a lively session last Sunday, at which she set herself right on the eight-hour question, instructing her delegates to Toronto to "stand pat" for eight hours. The officers had it forced on their attention that they are not the whole union and that they can only speak for it when they do not misrepresent it.

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Mrs. Mary Genet Noyes, wife of Henry C. Noyes, of the Proof Division, died on July 4, after some weeks' illness with typhoid fever. Mr. Noyes has the sincere sympathy of his fellow-workmen in his bereavement.

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Frank Lillie, for some time an operator on the *Star*, but who resigned some time ago and left the city, was recalled by the severe illness of his mother, Mrs. Margaret Lillie, but, the condition of Mrs. Lillie, permitting it, he went to New York this (Thursday) morning. Mrs. Lillie, who is well known to the older employes of the office, is in quite a feeble condition, owing to advanced age and disease.

A. F. BLOOMER.

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Personal Mention.

S. S. Culbertson, an employee of the Government Printing Office (Job Room) left for Denver, Colo., last Monday to attend the Epworth League convention. Mr. Culbertson will visit his sister in Denver, who he has not seen for over twenty years.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

John Kiernan has been dropped from the rolls.

A. J. McMillan has been detailed temporarily to the State Division.

During the week a number of compositors have been detailed temporarily to the Spess.

A very substantial collection was made in this Division for the children's play grounds.

N. J. Lillard was unanimously re-elected Secretary of this Chapel by a "standing" vote.

Frank F. S. Miller is outspoken in his praise of a recent delightful trip to Berkeley Springs, W. Va.

Did you know we had a clerical brother in our Division? We have, and always be guarded in your conversation.

C. C. Thayer has been detailed for messenger duty in Assistant Foreman Spottswood's room, in the absence of Kinsey Brewer.

To still further expedite work, a new electric press has been added to the "Bill Room" end. Wonder if we will get any typesetting machines?

Messrs. Brodnax and Schoeneman, contrary to expectations, did not report for work on Monday. Hope to see their smiling faces in the near future.

Among those whose leaves expired during the week were Daniel Miller, Winslow Lewis, George N. Shaffer, George S. Fitzgerald and Stephen Th. Westdal.

Did you hear the quick, short whistle at 12 o'clock on Saturday? It didn't fool any one in this Division. We just kept on laboring. But say, did you get away at 1?

Good morning, Chairman Templar. Congratulations on your splendid run against such a fine candidate. George Ellis says "the Pennsylvania delegation voted solidly."

John W. Sherman, who has been on the sick list for several weeks, has been granted thirty days leave, and left the city for a much-needed rest. Hope he may be speedily benefited.

One of the best-known members of this Division, George H. Ellis, accompanied by his wife and son, have been enjoying the hospitalities of friends over at Keedysville, Md., this week.

"Back to the Library." On Monday morning, Messrs. H. Clay Evans, S. L. Battles, and C. W. Henshaw who were with us the past few weeks, were transferred back to the LibraryDivision.

Our friend, Ex-Delegate John A. Onyun, over on the G street side, returned to office on Monday, in time to enjoy the two holidays. He received a most cordial greeting from his alleymates.

Information has been received that John H. Peake, of Cody, Wyo., a brother of Charles P. Peake, has been very dangerously ill. Mr. Peake has many warm friends in the G. P. O., who hope for his speedy recovery.

Two weeks since "Honest" John O'Neill sailed for Ireland. On Wednesday next, one of the best known printers in the G. P. O., C. C. Auracher will sail for Germany. Chris expects to be absent until September, and everybody wishes him a safe and prosperous trip.

Our retiring chairman has the best wishes of every member of this Chapel. Cheer up, Davey, it all depends upon the selection of Bristol, Tenn., for the next annual meeting of the International Typographical Convention. Well, we rather guess in that event you will carry the credentials.

It was Arthur L. Bowen, reader in the Job Proof Room, who testified before the Keep Commission the other day, that "he had been advised not to sell his Lanston stock," *and not* A. W. Bowen, foreman of this room, as has been industriously circulated.

ROUGH WRITER.

Royal Pilsen Beer on Draught Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll North Capitol and G street.

Sixth Division.

Off the reservation at last. I didn't think he would do it.

Harry ("Cæsar") Giles (Merg. e-o-11), is visiting this week in Wilmington, Del. Mr. Giles is accompanied by Mrs. Giles and family.

George F. Halsey and E. T. Lindberg were the only two of the force of compositors from this Division who started on their July leave on the first.

C. E. Rudy, of the copy desk, has laid aside the cares of office and sought rest and recreation midst the hills of Pennsylvania. He will be absent about twenty days.

Johnnie Williams, the Sixth Division base ball manager, is doing fancy stunts on the Colonial Beach water front this month. He will probably remain away the full thirty days.

Linotype Machinist Claude E. Pendarvis will leave next Sunday morning on the Elks' special train to attend the Elks' convention at Buffalo. He will be absent eight or ten days.

The latest report from Joseph A. Dries, who is confined at Sibley Hospital with typhoid fever, is that he is getting along nicely, and the chances for his leaving the hospital in two or three weeks are good.

Those gentlemen in the First Division whose services could not be dispensed with last Saturday afternoon have my sincere sympathy. But those things must be expected when one gets in the indispensable class.

M. Spence (Merg. 26) returned last week from a visit to his old home in Mississippi. Mr. Spence says the weather is not nearly so oppressive down there as that which the weather man gives to Washington.

Frank E. Pyne (Merg. 20) will spend his vacation on a cot in Garfield Hospital. Owing to kidney trouble Mr. Pyne will be compelled to undergo an operation, and the full limit of his vacation will be required. The best wishes of every member of the Sixth Division are his during the trying ordeal.

Charles Morrison, of the Main Proof Room, lately with the Job Room linotype machines, left to-day for an extended Western trip covering two months or more. Mr. Morrison will visit Wichita, Kan., Denver, Colo., and other Western cities. While in Wichita he expects to investigate some of those Wichita stories which Gene Andrew has been given to the writer of Flotsam and Jetsam lately.

By the giving out of the 1904 appropriation for leave, not a few of the members of this Division were caught for sums ranging from one to three days' pay. For one who experienced the full limit I must say that this thing of nursing a few days leave for an entire year, then after taking them get skinned out of the pay, isn't what its cracked up to be. I heard of a fellow once who bored a large hole in a fence in order to let an old cat pass through, and beside it bored a small one for the kitten; also a man who bought a round trip ticket on a railroad when he didn't intend to return in order to get even with the railroad company, but I have reached the conclusion that both of those individuals are a Webster-Wooster and Encyclopedia Britannica combined compared to the printer who doesn't draw his money in advance when going away for a few days leave.

The reported walk out of 4,000 machinists in the Navy Yard last Saturday was one of the chief topics of discussion during the early part of the week. Later reports, however, prove that those 4,000 employees numbered eighty-three men who were employed on special work and could not be excused. Undoubtedly the Navy Yard employees have the sympathy of organized labor in their efforts to bring about better conditions at the Yard, but hasty action on the part of a few hotheads must necessarily result in the undoing of much good that has already been accomplished. The Chief Executive of the Nation—Theodore Roosevelt—has promised a "square deal" to every man, and if the Navy Yard employees will place their grievances before him in proper form its dollars to doughnuts many of the present causes for complaint will be removed.

CHAS. S. GUNN.

Specification Notes.

Chairman Morcock was elected to a third term, beginning with the first of July.

Unger crossed swords with Melick with the first opportunity at the noon hour game of checkers.

The proper half holiday was suggested by the office whistle last Saturday, when it gave a sharp toot at 12 m.

We shall expect the muses to suggest something handsome to Talbott when once he is onto the Spess style, which is so inspiring.

Vincent Marshall, one of the laborers of this force, has completed his first year of a theological course at Howard University. He has three more years of hard study before him.

The Macabees, of whom there are many in the G. P. O., freely met the expectations of the public in their River View excursion of last Monday. The son of Mr. S. G. Kirby, of the *Official Gazette*, won first prize in one of the sporting contests.

The following constitute those first to take leave beginning with the new fiscal year: Compositors—Carl Tegethoff, J. G. Jameson, Will M. Edmunds, H. H. Brayton, W. H. Davis, T. T. Fitzgerald, Ben A. Wolfe, Ivins Davis, H. Densmore, and Jennie Fell. Make-up—C. J. Duffy. Helper—Richard Thomas. Feeder—Minnie Howard.

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The Specification force has been considerably enlarged by reason of holidays during the past two weeks. The following came over in response to a requisition from Captain Ramsey:

First Division: Cyrus E. Cook, W. H. Guthridge, Chas. P. Peake, W. N. Darden, G. G. Wilson, Jr., L. D. Brandon, J. W. Cross, W. R. Love, G. W. Shaffer, J. H. Butler.

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Fourth Division: F. O. Jones, G. O. Atkinson, R. E. Bragg, Robert H. Miller, E. J. Dwight, W. J. Fuhrman, J. H. Swerdfiger, D. W. Corkins, C. J. Unger, W. F. Simons, F. W. Moore, Thomas J. Travis, R. C. Starr, J. Frank Colwell, M. N. Serrano.

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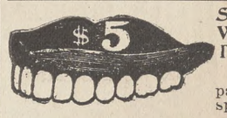

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No more Washington Navy Yard. It is the Naval Gun Factory. Rear Admiral Higginson hauled down his flag at 10 a. m. July 1. One hour later the flag of Captain Pendleton was thrown to the winds and he assumed his new title—Superintendent of The Naval Gun Factory.

Human nature is peculiar. We read that it was awfully reprehensible in Engineer Wallace to resign a $25,000 job to accept another at $60,000, but highly commendable in Secretary Morton to resign a cabinet position of $8,000 to accept another at $100,000 per annum. It is simply a difference between Mr. Tweedledee and Mr. Tweedledum.

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The excursion given by Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. of M., to Marshall Hall on Saturday last was a pronounced success notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather. Hundreds of the boys, who had the moral courage to lose the half day without pay, accompanied by their wives and sweethearts, enjoyed the many features of amusements prepared by the committee.

Among the prominent persons present were Assistant Secretary of the Navy Charles H. Darling, International President James O'Connell, Parson Emmons, and (The Texas Steer) Captain Charles P. Ricker, who was the successful competitor in the potato bug race.

One feature I regret, was the entire absence of the supervising force in the Yard. Heretofore the different foremen mingled with the workmen and in every way showed by their presence that outside of the shop there was one common level in which they all could meet.

I say I regret this, for experience has taught me that at the proper time and under certain conditions the intermixing between the foreman and the man produces better results, and there is no occasion like a Trades Unionist excursion in which the spirit of a common level is better exemplified.

Notwithstanding the inclement weather and the absence of our shop leaders, the affair was a grand success and greatly enjoyed by all present.

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The war of words between the two scribes, Bloomer and Belcher, reminds me of a story I once heard.

A German attended a religious meeting and was deeply impressed with the subject, "Bearing the Cross." Some time after the parson met the man carrying his wife on his back.

"Why do you carry your wife? Can she not walk," asked the Parson?

"Vell," replied the Dutchman, "Zhoost de ouder day you say dot I must dakes up my gross if I vish to be be safed, und dis is my vrow, und she vas so awful gross. She scold und scold all de time, so I dakes her up and bears her, for I feels me so bad I must somehow or oder get myself safed."

It looks to me that Brothers Bloomer and Belcher are carrying each other's crosses, but I seriously doubt if either will be saved by so doing.

Cut it out, at least until the dog days are over.

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While all the other Departments were enjoying the Saturday half holiday so graciously bestowed by an Executive order of the President, the employee's of the Naval Gun Factory were refused that consideration. Just consider for the moment the injustice. That every other Department closed, that the employees might recreate, and the hardest worked, poorest paid, and probably the best-paying institution owned by the Government denied the privilege of enjoying the benefits of the Executive order, except at their own risk, which meant a half day's pay lost.

Every effort had been put forth by the Legislative Committee to have the Naval Gun Factory included in the Executive order, but the opposition of the Navy Department could not be overcome.

There are many who agree with me that the opposition by the Navy Department is not fair.

One reason given by the Department was that it would be discrimination against the other Yards throughout the United States. Another reason was that the work was so important that the employees could not be spared.

Let us take up these two propositions:

First, the discrimination. It is well known to all interested in naval affairs that the Washington Navy Yard is now a matter of record and from its ashes arose the Naval Gun Factory; therefore, as there is but one Naval Gun Factory there can be no discrimination.

Second. That the employees could not be spared. If this be correct why has one of the working shifts been abolished, whereas there were three shifts, working the whole of the twenty-four hours, commencing with July 1. There are now but two.

Again. If the work was so important why was it that Secretary of the Navy Morton, before leaving the Department, gave out to the contractors nearly a million and one half dollars in gun carriages, etc., that properly belonged to the Naval Gun Factory.

In my judgment the argument presented by the Department was simply of a technical nature to prevent the man with the "hoe" from receiving the same benefits given to the man who slings ink.

Notwithstanding the order that the men would not be excused it is estimated that three thousand of the forty-five hundred employees took their half day at their "own risk."

Behind the blackest cloud there is often a silver lining, and indications now point that a reconsideration of the whole matter will result in the Department recommending to the President that the Naval Gun Factory receive the same benefits as given to all other Departments in the District of Columbia.

The following letter to Brother O'Donnell, Chairman Legislative Committee, will explain conditions:

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 1, 1905.

MR. WILLIAM O'DONNELL,
Care East Gun Carriage Shop,
Washington Navy Yard, City.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:—We have just returned from the Navy Department, and while we have not succeeded in getting any definite understanding or satisfaction regarding the Saturday half holiday, especially as it applies to this afternoon, yet we have every reason to believe that we will be able to secure the Saturday half holiday for next Saturday.

We learned at the Department that a very great misunderstanding exists regarding the Saturday half holiday, because of some demands being made on the part of representatives of yards and arsenals in other sections of the country, which has undoubtedly led the Department and President to disapprove of the Saturday half holiday in the Navy Yard.

Owing to the fact that the new Secretary of the Navy is holding a reception today, it was impossible to secure his cooperation in connection with the Saturday half holiday, but we have arranged for a conference Wednesday next. In the meantime, you may rest assured we will do everything we can to press our claims in connection with the Saturday half holiday. I am inclosing copies of this letter for distribution.

With best wishes, I am,

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D. F. Manning, president of Retail Clerks Union, No. 262, left to-day for Galveston, Texas, to attend the convention of the Retail Clerks International Protective Association, having been chosen as delegate to represent Local No. 262. Mr. Manning will serve on the Laws Committee at the convention, and it is necessary for that committee to work before the convention convenes next Tuesday.

Just before he left the city Mr. Manning received the information that he had been elected one of the delegates to represent his International at the American Federation of Labor convention at Pittsburg next November. As the vote was taken by a referendum to all Locals in the country, this testimonial to Mr. Manning is well received by his Local and his many friends as an evidence of appreciation of past efforts in behalf of his organization.

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

Resolutions on the Death of John Hamerstrom Adopted.

JOHN BENDER, BAKER, IS UNFAIR

Standing Committees Appointed—Auditing Committee Submits Report—Arlington Brewery Case Settled—Musicians Decide to Withdraw Temporarily.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 o'clock on Monday evening, President McCarthy in the chair.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved.

The chair announced the death of ex-President John Hamerstrom, and on motion Delegates Dickman, La Clair, and Ross were appointed to draft suitable resolutions on the death of Brother Hamerstrom.

CREDENTIALS.

Sheet Metal Workers, No. 102: J. W. Considine, R. G. M. Ross, Charles Wright, Charles Ockerhausen, and Walter House.

Amalgamated Carpenters, Branch No. 2: A. Harten, A. Stevenson, A. Beaton L. H. Odell, and J. Birkbeck.

Carriage and Wagon Workers: Harry G. Cornwell, Frank Carroll, George H. Langhenry, A. J. Morrow, and Henry C. Stein.

Tile Layers and Helpers, No. 2: Daniel Dowd, William Keith, William Miller, Milton Clark, and John McVey.

Columbia Lodge, No. 174, Machinists: Harry T. La Clair, Emmet L. Adams, Oliver T. Beaumont, John McGuigan, and George Preston.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Musicians Union, No. 161, stating that it had decided to withdraw its delegates temporarily from the the Central Labor Union. Referred to Legislative Committee.

From Order of Railroad Telegraphers, reciting the differences that led up to the strike on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway ("Katy,") and asking that all friends of organized labor leave that road severely alone until it shows a disposition to be fair to its telegraphers and station agents. Referred to Organization Committee.

From W. E. Lewis, representing Wm. A. Read & Co., bankers, New York, asking for opportunity to place surplus funds of Central Labor Union. Placed on file.

From Shirt, Waist and Laundry Workers International Union, calling attentions to conditions of lockout at Cluett, Peabody & Co., factory at Troy, N. Y. Placed on file.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE.

The Grievance Committee reported they had been unable to adjust grievance against John Bender, and recommend that he be placed on "List To Do Not Patronize." The report adopted.

The committee also reported on the grievance of Plumbers Union against Arlington Brewing Co., and submitted communication from Arlington Brewing Co., stating that they would discontinue the work complained of by the Plumbers. Referred to Plumbers Union.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Brewery Workmen: That the Joint Council had organized all bottling establishments in Alexandria, Va., and secured an advance of 100 per cent in wages.

Hod Carriers: Submitted receipts showing payment of per capita for past year. Also asked for a committee to visit Mr. McClure. Request granted and Delegates Considine, Spohn and Lahey were appointed on committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

Executive Committee reported that Paperhangers Union had been visited and that agreement with Master Paperhangers Association were being lived up to.

Legislative Committee submitted a report on matter referred to it respecting bill introduced in New York Legislature, which places restrictions on a butcher going into business without first receiving a license from a commission.

The Auditing Committee reported that receipts for the quarter, with balance on hand April 1, 1905, were $1,226.60, and expenditures $961.81, leaving a balance on hand July 1 of $264.79, and that $149 was due from affiliated Locals for per capita.

Excursion Committee reported progress, and on request was increased by addition of following delegates: Wells, Cook, Winslow, McKenna, Murray, Martin, Manger, Hellmuth, Lackey, and Diggins.

Special Committee on Garment Workers communication stated that they had called on S. Kann, Sons & Co., where they were told that they purchased very little from the firm in question, but would discontinue in the future until they became fair to organized labor. On motion, the communication was referred to Woman's Auxiliary of Columbia Typographical Union.

The chair announced the appointment of the following committees:

Contract Committee.—James McHugh, C. W. Winslow, H. W. Templar, John H. Lorch, E. A. Bachrach.

Credentials Committee.—Martin Hellmuth, Moses Peyton, H. Jaeger.

Organization Committee.—J. W. Considine, Thomas C. Fox, J. B. Colpoise, Samuel Beckett, L. W. Kearney.

Legislative Committee.—John B. Dickman, H. W. Sherman, R. G. M. Ross, J. L. Feeney, H. T. LaClair.

Grievance Committee.—F. J. McKenna, L. B. Diggins, J. Weber, G. Peoples, J. H. Lewis.

Label Committee.—J. H. Brahler, J. McGilton, F. C. Roberts, C. A. Pfau, S. E. Blunt, J. Horigan, H. S. Fleshutz, W. T. Doyle.

Agitation Committee.—J. McGuigan, J. McVey, W. J. Fish, L. Ehrlich, I. Geraci, G. A. Malone, A. D. Manger, W. Roche.

Committee on Unfair List.—J. F. McCarthy, N. C. Sprague, C. W. Winslow, H. T. La Clair, John G. Schmidt, J. L. Feeney, John Weber, J. W. Considine, Samuel Beckett, James F. McHugh, John B. Dickman, J. H. Brahler, M. Hellmuth, J. McGuigan, F. J. McKenna.

The committee appointed to draft resolutions on death of John Hamerstrom reported as follows:

Whereas it has pleased the Supreme Ruler of the Universe to remove Bro. John Hamerstrom from our midst; and

Whereas Bro. Hamerstrom was an ex-President of the Central Labor Union, a conscientious union workman, and a true friend to his co-workers, generous in thought and deed; therefore be it

Resolved, By the Central Labor Union of Washington, D. C., that while we humbly bow to the Supreme Will, we deeply and sincerely mourn his loss; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Central Labor Union, a copy furnished his widow, and a copy be given to the press for publication.

JOHN B. DICKMAN,
H. T. LACLAIR,
R. G. M. ROSS,
Committee.

The Union adjourned out of respect to memory of ex-President Hamerstrom.

From Union Printers Home.

Secretary George G. Seibold, of Columbia Typographical Union, received the following letter from Superintendent Deacon, of the Union Printers Home:

It is a pleasure to inform you that Carlos B. Tomlin, of No. 101, has this day vacated the Home, having recovered his health and strength to such an extent that he feels able to take up the battle for independence once more. Mr. Tomlin has very wisely concluded, however, to remain in this country for the present.

It is with no small degree of satisfaction that I report this case, as you are no doubt aware that this is Mr. Tomlin's second visit to this country in search of health, arriving here the last time very near death's door. He leaves here to-day comparatively a well man, and if he continues to take care of himself like he has the past year should enjoy many years more of life.

Resolutions on Death of C. E. Clark.

At the meeting of the Ex-Delegates Association of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, the following resolutions on the death of the late Charles E. Clark were adopted:

Whereas the hand of death has caused the recall from earthly labors our friend and fellow-craftsmen before the time commonly allotted to man; and

Whereas his services among men of our craft were recognized as above the average in execution and conception; therefore be it

Resolved, That we deplore the loss of our co-worker in the field of labor, and desire to express our sympathy to the family of the deceased at the great loss suffered by them in his death.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon our minutes and given to the press for publication.

Royal Pilsen Beer on Draught at R. A. Driscoll's, North Capitol and G street. Overholt whisky, 10c.

COLUMBIA UNION MEETING.

Newspaper Scale Under Consideration at Last Sunday's Meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 2.30 p. m. by President Berg, who explained the purpose for which it was called.

Mr. Parsons, from Eight-hour Committee, having the scale in charge, made an extended statement of the reasons which induced the committee to recommend the acceptance of the scale proposed, and presented the proposition signed by the representatives of the Newspaper Publishers Association and the Union.

The proposition was read.

A motion being made to lay the matter on the table, and a point of order being made that it was not in order, the chair held the point well taken.

An appeal from the decision of the chair being called for, a further point of order that all discussion was out of order, as the chair had not put the original question before the house, was declared well taken.

A motion was then made to adopt the report of the committee.

A substitute that the present scale be declared the scale for the newspaper chapels was declared out of order as the report of the committee was before the Union and should be either accepted or rejected.

A further attempt to adopt a substitute, that the present scale be declared in effect and that the *Star* be granted concessions asked for, was declared out of order on a point being raised that the scale under consideration was from the Newspaper Publishers Association and not from the *Star*.

The original motion to adopt the report of the committee was then put and lost—ayes, 35; nays, 60.

The committee then asked the Union for instructions.

On motion the committee were instructed to stand firm for the present scale.

On motion the Eight-hour Committee were relieved from further duty on the matter and a committee of three, one from each daily newspaper chapel, was ordered selected by the various chapels to enter into further negotiations with the Newspaper Publishers Association.

Adjourned.

Bakers Union, No. 118.

At the last meeting of Bakers and Confectioners Union, No. 118, the firm of Warren & Dyer, paints. oil, etc., was delared unfair through concurrence of action of Central Labor Union.

It was decided that a vigorous contest be taken against John Bender, of 2127 G street northwest, and A. J. Birmingham, 539 Eighth street southeast.

The following officers were elected to serve the ensuing year: President, John Weber; Vice President, F. H. Schulze; Recording Secretary and Business Agent, John G. Schmidt; Financial Secretary, F. Otto Schulze; Treasurer, John Geiger. Trustees: Louis Merkel, Fred Hanold, and Con. Gottsman; Sergeant-at-Arms, Christ. Loewenstein. Delegates to Central Labor Union: John Weber, John G. Schmidt, Louis Merkel, John Geiger.

Ship Shape on Land.

One of the quaintest charitable institutions in the world is the Royal Alfred Home for Aged Seaman, which houses 100 English mariners in the outskirts of London. It is supported entirely by voluntary contribution. The main idea has been to make the place as homelike as possible, and to this end an effort has been made to preserve in large measure the environment to which the inmates are accustomed.

The dormitories are cut up into tiny cabins, as on shipboard, and in place of the familiar iron cots these veterans of the sea turn in at night in bunks and stow their clothes and other belongings precisely as they would on board ship. Day and night the hours and half hours are struck on a ship's bell in the main hall, and even in the mess room the atmosphere of the sea is retained as an aid to appetite. The house governor is himself an old sea captain of forty years' experience in commanding men, and his rule is entirely along nautical lines.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

Among The Building Trades

EDITED BY W. E. KENNEDY.

AMALGAMATED CARPENTERS.

The following letter from an officer of the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters explains pretty fully the benefits derived from affiliation with this Society. It is wonderful what good a labor organization can do if the members would only "loosen up":

As a great many people are misled by false reports as to our union being a foreign institution and that no one but foreigners belong to it, I would like to state that it is no more foreign than our forefathers were or than some of the people that are trying to teach the native-born American the true principles of American citizenship.

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters is simply an international organization, similar to other fraternities. It has been erroneously stated that we send our per capita tax to Manchester, England, but that is one of the many sad mistakes the people that do not know make. We do not pay but one per capita tax and that is to the American Federation of Labor, by which we are chartered.

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners was organized at Manchester in 1860, and five years later it was organized in New York City, and was among the first of the international organizations to become affiliated with the American Federation of Labor.

We admit that all capenters emigrating to this country from England, Ireland, or Scotland that are desirous of belonging to an organization that is a benefit to a carpenter, or that has true union principles, always joins the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners (providing he is a first class carpenter and passes a physical examination), and then we will admit him and give him the protection that the Society claims to give a brother.

It has been said that the Amalgamated pays such enormous dues. We will give you a few figures:

Our dues, including local levy, is $25 per year. The benefits for that after you have been a member one year, is your tools insured for $140 against fire, water, or theft in one claim.

Unemployed benefit for twelve weeks in any one year, $3.50 per week. If you continue out of work for another twelve weeks you receive $2.10 per week, and you are exempt from payment of dues when in receipt of benefits.

Strike or locked out pay, $5.25 per week.

Sick benefits, for twenty-six weeks, $4.20 per week, and so long as sickness continues thereafter $2.10 per week and no dues to pay while sick.

When a sick member recovers from his illness and is able to go to work, but on account of slackness of work he cannot get a job, he is immediately entitled to unemployed benefit.

If a member is disabled by accident and is not able to again follow the carpenter trade he will receive $700. If he be temporarily disabled he is entitled to $350; or not quite so bad, $175.

The death benefit is $84 for a member, and for a member's wife $35, irrespective of cause of death, whether by accident or natural causes.

One of the fundamental principles of the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners is the superannuation benefit for life.

For instance, if you have been a member for eighteen years and not able to work on account of old age you are retired on $9.80 per month; if a member twenty-five years, $14 per month and no dues to pay.

In talking to an Amalgamated carpenter I asked him how much time he had lost in the past twelve months, and I was told a week at $3.50 per day, making $21 a week, and he was exempt from paying dues that length of time, which is $2.70. That, added to the amount he received makes $23.70. That made it cost him $1.30 to belong to the above society for twelve months.

Some do not receive any benefits because they are seldom out of employment, but say it is worth something to be protected and to know they will get it when it is needed the most.

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DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The different Laborers organizations (Hod Carriers and Building Laborers) have formed a permanent District Council, and the following officers have been elected: Moses Peyton, President; Alex. Murphy, Vice-President; Danl. Lahey, Secretary and Treasurer; Thos. Johnson, Sergeant-at-Arms; Sol. Childs, Frank Henson, W. M. Scott, Trustees.

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IRON WORKERS.

The strike against the Pennsylvania Steel Co. has not yet been settled. As the Company has not attempted in this city to use any strikebreakers it is quite likely that the next few days will bring a settlement.

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THE TINNERS

meet in special Convention in this city the first Monday in August.

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CARPENTERS.

The carpenters started in on their new wage scale, $4.00 a day, July 1. To the "old timers" it must have been an agreeable surprise, as they have not witnessed very many increases without the loss of some days, sometimes weeks.

Some years ago you'd talk to a carpenter about better wages, the answer usually was. "We can't do anything here, for the town is run over with carpenters from out in Maryland, or over in Virginia, and our wages here look very big to those men, etc." Judging from the size of their organization, and the ease with which their wages has been advanced it would seem that those folks who come from "out in Maryland" and "over in Virginia" are pretty good people to take into the unions *first* and *not* after they have been used by the employers to whip striking union men with.

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ELECTRICAL WORKERS, NO. 26.

The ladies representing the striking starchers of Troy, N. Y., accompanied by a committee from the Central Labor Union, called on Thursday night. The Local, after hearing how Cluett & Peabody had treated its employees, concluded that $25 would be better used in Troy than in a smoker they had in contemplation, and so voted. One of its members, Bro. George Malone, told them how they could render "more assistance"—by *not buying Cluett & Peabody's* collars, and doing as he had: *Tell the merchant why.*

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THE ABSENTEE.

In enumerating men who break up trades unions, Herbert M. Casson, a brilliant writer on labor problems, says that the absentee is the rottenest grape in the bunch.

We quote the following from one of his articles:

The absentee. This man is the worst of the lot. He does more harm than all the other disputers put together. Every gang, every clique, is made possible by absentees.

The man who stays away from the meetings of his union is responsible for everything that is done wrong.

It is far better to go to the meetings and to make mistakes than to stay away and find fault with the mistakes. The absentee could not help the enemies of his union any more if he was paid for it than by refusing to bear his share of the burden. Why are there so many ignorant trades unionists who know nothing of the business affairs of their own union? It is because they have been absentees. There are plenty of union men who never go to the meetings unless they are out of work. Then they are the loudest shouters in the crowd.

As you read these words do you feel guilty? Does your conscience tell you that you are one of the "worst of the lot?" And if it does, are you proud of such a record? Better begin and do your part. Don't be a shirker always.

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Now, that the filtration plant is nearly finished one can imagine correspondence like this:

DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 15, 1905.

Sand Filtration Company of America:

GENTLEMEN: I am just now in receipt of a letter dated July 3, 1903, in which a complaint is made that your company is violating the eight-hour law by working men regularly ten hours a day.

Kindly notify me if this *is* a fact or a "dream of some labor agitator." This office is loth to believe that your company has willfully violated the law, and trusts it may have been some *extreme* emergency, *not lasting more than three years.*

Very truly yours,

GEO. OOMTY BOOMTY, Commissioner.

SAND FILTRATION COMPANY.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 15, 1905.

DEAR MR. OOMTY BOOMTY: Your letter just to hand. Answering would say the complaint is not well founded and is, as your favor suggests, the work of some "labor agitator."

This company has made an honest effort to comply with the law, and *nothin* but our regard for the health of the good people of the District would have caused us to take advantage of the *extreme* emergency, which has forced us to work our men *ten hours* for the past three years.

SAND FILTRATION CO.,
Per P. D. Q.

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SCENE IN COMMISSIONERS OFFICE.

Commissioner at the phone—"Hello, this you, Major?"

"Yes."

"How many times did you say that old colored woman out in Columbia Heights had failed to clean her corner sidewalk?"

"Three times, your Majesty."

"Three times! three times! Great Scott! To think that *any* one would violate the law that many times."

"Hello, District Attorney, this is the Commissioner. When that old colored woman comes to court *give her the limit*, she has violated the law *three times*. Can't you hang her? Well, do the best you can."

"Yes, your Majesty."

Bookbinders Convention.

At a meeting of ex-delegates of the Brotherhood of Bookbinders residents of this city, held last Friday night, the following committee was elected to make all arrangements for the next annual convention of the Brotherhood of Bookbinders, which will be held in this city the second week in June, 1906: W. C. Connor, chairman; John M. Touey, vice chairman; J. A. B. Espey. treasurer; Charles F. Miller, secretary.

The chairman appointed the following committee to designate the minor committees to be selected: Wm. B. Hyde, James Stockman, and Peter Flanagan.

Industrial Notes.

Surveyors are at work in Catskills, N. Y., laying out what will be, when complete, the largest brickmaking plant in the world. The new plant, when erected, will employ over 1,000 men and turn out 1,000,000 bricks a day.

The general arbitration board of the Building Trades Employers' Association and the unions has fixed the assessments to be paid for the board. There are 53,350 members in the 32 unions working under the arbitration agreement, and each member has been assessed 10 cents a month for the unions' share.

The London (Eng.) Trades Council has adopted a resolution recommending trade unions to take an active part in the formation of co-operative productive stores, with the special view to provide work for those who have been victimized in connection with other trade unions, or displaced by non-union labor during a dispute.

The officers of the Grand Lodge of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen have filed in the United States Circuit Court an answer to the suit brought by Harry B. Pinney and other representatives of Just in Time Lodge No. 749, of New York City, for the maintenance of the rights and privileges of the Lodge in the national organization.

The census of the Philippine Islands shows that 90 per cent. of the people are civilized, but that more than half of the inhabitants are unable to read and write. Wage-earners form 43½ per cent. of the civilized population. The total population, as given for 342 islands, is 7,635,426, or about four times as great as it was one hundred years ago.

It was proposed that the Panama Canal Commission import Oriental aliens under contract to perform labor on the canal. Attorney-General Moody says that these conditions are those of involuntary servitude and that they cannot prevail on any territory subject to United States jurisdiction. The Attorney-General further holds that the Act of August 1, 1902, which limits and restricts to eight hours the daily service of laborers and mechanics employed by the United States Government applies to persons working on the Panama Canal.

The total railroad capital of this country is about eleven billions of dollars. The gross railroad earnings per annum amount to one and a quarter billions, something more than double the receipts of the United States Government from all sources, and considerably greater than the interest-bearing debt of the United States, which, on June 30, 1899, amounted to a little over one billion dollars. The railroad companies operate 185,000 miles of road and employ nearly one million men, who, with their families, make about five millions of our population dependent upon the railroads for their daily living.

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The Present Crisis.

The destructive forces of corruption and prodigality have gained tremendous headway in municipal, State and national affairs within the last decade, until they have reached that dangerous stage which calls for the most radical remedial treatment. During this period of haste and waste greed has been fed by fictitious values, everywhere adding to the cost of living and necessitating demands by wage earners for a higher scale to meet fairly the price of living necessities. This demand has been stubbornly resisted, thus inducing and precipitating what is popularly known as "labor troubles," with labor bearing the blame.

Throughout this period of cunning practices by the "highly respectable" the labor organizations have been besieged by offers of bribes or "graft," and some have accepted the price of perfidy, but their action has only strengthened the purpose of those who remained steadfast and who ask no higher reward than that which comes from duty well performed.

There is now a general awakening, and a healthier public sentiment is manifesting itself This awakening is being brought about largely through the public press, which is sustained by the better forces of society, and by reason of this we may confidently look for a return to the safer channels.

The following from the *Epworth Herald* will be found of interest, and yet that paper does not consider the situation entirely hopeless:

The revelations of corruption and dishonesty in the political and business life of our country are one of the most distressing and appalling signs of the times. The fever of avarice has burned out the moral principle of many a character. Reputation for fair dealing has been dragged in the mire. Honor has been thrown aside as an incumbrance. The eagerness to get rich has turned men who hold their heads high in the community into thieves and robbers. The highway is strewn with their victims.

In political life the principles of lofty patriotic service that have guided the best men of the nation in the performance of their sacred duties have been trampled under foot. The exhortations of the elder statesmen to honesty and fidelity in the public service have been laughed to scorn. Conscience has been snuffed out by cupidity. Public office has been turned to private gain. The stream of gold that pours into the public treasury—whether it be of the national, the state, or the municipal government—has been diverted into nobody knows how many private purses. "Graft" has come to be the synonym of "politics."

Something must be done? And it must be radical. The national life is imperiled. The business standing of our country is being impaired in the eyes of the world. Men who have done—and are doing—the things that are responsible for this deplorable situation are not "the scum and offscouring of the world." These robbers of banks, betrayers of trusts, fleecers of the poor, pillagers of the helpless, despoilers of widows and children; these corruptors of legislatures, looters of the public treasury, political grafters, debauchers of our national life—these detestable men are found in the highest social ranks! The ancestors of some of them helped to lay the foundations of our government, and to give character and direction to our life as a people. But the pride of ancestry has no sway over them. They have sacrificed principle for pelf; and the condemnation of men rests heavily upon them.

It is very easy for the heart to sink with discouragement when contemplating this terrible condition of things. The picture has a forbidden side, full of evil significance. The natural question to ask as one looks at the dark side are, "When so many trusted men have proved false, can any man escape suspicion? Are there any who remain faithful? Are any men in positions of honor and trust in business and political life maintaining themselves in integrity and meeting the obligations of their trusts with loyal hearts, and performing their duties with clean hands?"

When a man has been betrayed his mind is filled with suspicion. He does not know whom to trust. Where is the honest man? Will every man fail in the crisis? Is there not one who can escape suspicion? That was, in substance, the doubt that filled the mind of Washington when Benedict Arnold's treason became known to him. But the great leader's question was not fair to the brave and loyal officers and soldiers in his army. One false man had cast the black cloak of suspicion upon all, but there were still many faithful men left after the faithless one had accomplished his deed of perfidy. And so it is in the present situation. The rascality of some one occupying places of trust has created an atmosphere of suspicion that now envelopes practically every man in business and political life. Men in the honored professions are not free from it. Even those in the most exalted positions, whose integrity seems unimpeachable, are under suspicion; and the question is being asked every day, "Where are the men who can be trusted?"

This condition of affairs is surely portentous of evil for this fair land of ours. It brings to mind those prophetic lines of Goldsmith:

"Ill fares the land, to hastening ills a prey,
Where wealth accumulates, and men decay."

But the situation is not hopeless. There are faithful men in places of responsibility and power, who have a high sense of honor, and who pride themselves upon the righteous performance of duty. These men are the saving force of our national life; they are the remnant that will deliver us. Here and there throughout the land the people have arisen in revolt against the political grafter and corruptionist; and there is a loud and persistent crying out against the betrayer of trusts and the despoiler of the poor. These things revive hope and give the fainting heart courage. May this sort of good work go on until justice has been done, evil punished, the taint removed from the reputation of our country, and the confidence of our people in the men who handle the vast business interests of the land, and who mould our national affairs, is placed upon a firm foundation once more.

THE TRADES UNIONIST will have failed in its purpose if it neglects to contribute to measures having for their object the nearest approach possible to that ideal state when the individual conscience responds to the demand for a "square deal," one with the other, and when the scales of justice balance evenly.

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FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

Since the Philadelphia meeting of "employing printers of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, and District of Columbia," on June 21 last, the proprietors of printing establishments here, and presumably throughout the territory covered by the rather pretentious call for the meeting, have received cards bearing the following:

Date.....1905.

Resolved, That, in order to carry to a successful issue the resolutions this day (June 21) unanimously adopted by a large representation of the employing printers of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, and the District of Columbia, in Horticultural Hall, Philadelphia, we hereby sign the following agreement:

We (or I) promise not to enter into or sign any contract for an eight-hour day for our printing office with any unions or individuals, but will abide by the decision of the United Typothetæ of America to steadfastly resist the proposed attempt of the International Typographical Union to inaugurate an eight-hour day.

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With this is an addressed envelope: "City Trust Building, Room 412, 829 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.," with "Joseph Hays" printed on one corner.

Though the preamble of the resolutions which the Philadelphia meeting passed recited that "the proposed reduction of hours is not required for the physical comfort, moral, mental, or religious improvement of the people whom it is sought to affect thereby;" that it would greatly increase the cost of printing; that the employer could not recoup such increased cost out of the customer, and that it would demoralize the printing business, I have never believed that any considerable number of the employers fail to recognize the necessity as well as the equity of the proposed reduction. During the past few years the printing business has been revolutionized by the introduction of typesetting machinery and the cost of printing vastly cheapened—to a much greater extent than will be offset by the reduction of working time.

The union printers of the country did not resist the incoming of machines, though well knowing that it would result in the reduction of working forces, for they recognized that the spirit of improvement is irresistible. Machinery was installed by which one man now does what required the services of four men before, all the advantage of which inured to the employer. This possibly reduced the cost of printing to the public—in the case of newspapers it undoubtedly did, by giving newspapers two or three times as large—but much the larger profit of the introduction remained with the proprietor. At no point has the use of machinery been resisted or obstructed by the union printers.

Now we are asking to receive a portion of the advantage of the improvements of the age in the shape of shorter hours. The reduction of the hours of labor is as much a part of the march of improvement as the introduction of machinery. In the old days a hundred years ago, when all kind of labor was done by hand, the workman was required to work practically all the hours that he was awake. As machines were invented and applied hours of labor were reduced—a few machines, a small reduction; more machines, more reduction. From "all the hours he was awake" the workman's time was reduced to twelve hours; after a long time, to ten hours; after another long time, to nine; and now, such is the perfection of machinery, so much is production increased and cheapened thereby, that he feels and his reason and his sense of justice tell him that eight hours' toil are all that should be demanded of him. He is so sure of the righteousness and justice of his demand that he is willing to throw everything into the balance and "win or lose it all."

If "our friends the enemy"—the Typothetæ—would seek their true interest they would strike hands with the Typographical Union as their best friend, play fair with each other as individuals, stop cutting each other's throats, seek legislation by which to eliminate the "cheap skates" who take in work for less than the cost of the labor (by a license fee), and work for the interest of the printing business as a whole. They would then be in a much more profitable business than piling up a fund with which to fight the reasonable reduction of working hours. Let the Printers' Board of Trade fix the rates for all work, instead of only the jobs exceeding $25 in cost, the smaller being the great bulk and much the more profitable part of printing. Be honest with yourselves, gentlemen, and you will not only be able to, but will take actual pleasure in being honest with your workmen. To resist the eight-hour day will cost you ten times what its defeat will be worth to you, and you will not defeat it then.

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Maud S. was walking along a street with a friend when they passed a gentleman who spoke very pleasantly to Maud.

"Who is that?" he asked. "He speaks to me every time he sees me, and I have no idea who he is."

"Don't you know him?" asked the friend. "Why, he keeps an undertaking establishment down the street. He's one of the greatest fellows to drum up trade you ever saw—anticipates it, as it were. He's been shaking hands with Spike Leonard for five years—I think that was what drove Spike out of town. He'll do the job up right, too, when you want him."

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"Talk about the 'ruling spirit strong in death,'" said Will Burchfield. "I was over at Chesapeake Beach the other day and went in bathing. I am a pretty strong swimmer and had gone away out—far beyond any of the other bathers so far as I could see. The rollers were running pretty high and I couldn't see any distance except as I climbed to the top of a wave. When I was half a mile out beyond anybody I could see, as I rode on the top of a billow I spied on the top of the next one a fellow from my Division.

"'Hello, Bill!' he yelled, holding up one hand. "Say, I've got a girl on the bank. Can you let me have five?'"

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George F. Halsey, of the Sixth Division, resigned last week, having secured an appointment at Colon as a clerk in the engineering department of the Panama Canal work. Mr. Halsey has been here a number of years, previous to which he had worked all over the Pacific Coast country, during which he acquired sufficient experience to enable him to go against anything they can put up on a little neck of land like the Isthmus of Panama.

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Josh Billings said: "It's better not to know so much than to know so much aint so." The first clause is good during investigations, and the whole is good all the time.

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J. E. F. ("Texas") Smith—if you never knew him it won't interest you to know who he is—is holding down a job on the Stryker (Ohio) *Advance*.

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I met J. Herbert Broderick the other evening and tried to induce him to resume the work of helping us correspondents make THE TRADES UNIONIST the great family journal of the printing fraternity, but with little prospect of success. Broderick is not only a bright writer, but one of the best linotype operators in the business, besides being whole-souled, good, honest, clean-minded man—one whose friendship is worth having, an honor to the craft and one of those who have helped to redeem the name "printer" from the rather malodorous reputation which it used to bear.

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Clem Allen, of the Sixth Division, sprained his back with ice cream on the glorious Fourth (by lifting, not eating it) and had to stay away several days on account of it.

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At the meeting of the Association of ex-Delegates, held on July 2, a committee was appointed to draft resolutions on the death of ex-Delegate Alfred P. Marston and publish them in THE TRADES UNIONIST. The following is the committee's report:

Whereas, It has been the will of the Almighty to take from among us, at the time of his highest usefulness, our fellow-member, Alfred P. Marston, who ably and acceptably represented Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, at Detroit, Mich., in 1878, and at Denver, Colo., in 1889, in the great International Typographical Union, his personal popularity being attested on both occasions by his fellow-unionists giving him a larger vote than that cast for any of his competitors, and who served his beloved union as its president in 1887; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Association of ex-Delegates of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, That we mourn the death of our friend and associate as a true and faithful unionist, as an indefatigable worker in the interest of trades unionism and of the union of which he had been a member during all his manhood's years, as an efficient officer, as a loyal friend, as a genial companion, and as a public-spirited citizen of his country; and that we tender to his devoted life partner, now his sorely afflicted widow, and his children our tenderest sympathy in their irreparable loss.

PHILIP S. STEELE,
JAMES MONROE KREITER,
A. F. BLOOMER.

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Said a friend of mine who is deeply interested in the Central Union Mission work: "Not long ago one of the brethren saw me take a chew of tobacco and he reproved me, telling me that tobacco is an enemy of God and that its use is an outrage in the sight of heaven. This nettled me a little, but I restrained myself and refrained from giving him an angry reply. It was but a few days after that I was told that he had set a widow's goods out on the sidewalk for failure to pay her room rent, and I thought to rally him a little on it. He did not take my reproof as good naturedly as I had taken his, but grew very angry, saying that he made his living renting rooms, and that the woman had no right to occupy his premises unless she kept her agreement to pay for them."

I could not help thinking how lucky my friend was, for he does not have to go out into the highways and byways to seek out the godless and labor with them; there is plenty for him to do right among the Mission's workers.

Another friend told me of the deeply religious head of a deeply religious institution, subsisting on charity, and which pays no wages to its employees, the education which it gives them being regarded as sufficient return for services rendered, who dismissed a young boy without a cent or a friend to whom to go for shelter during the coming night, notwithstanding his pleadings to be permitted to remain until he could communicate with friends—all for a trifling fault. There being no particular opportunity for a youth to take a short cut to the devil, he was put at no greater inconvenience than a couple of days of police station charity. But when the good man similarly dismissed a young girl, from a far-distant State, for an equally trifling fault, in an equally destitute condition, the devil showed her a house where she was at least protected from the elements, though losing all else that a woman prizes, and she is living yet the life she entered upon. But the holy man hourly tells God how great His mercies are.

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What an astounding amount of work the editing of the *Typographical Journal* must entail on Editor John W. Bramwood, when considered in connection with his other duties. The July number is replete with news of the craft and deserves careful reading at the hands of every union printer. It is the best investment the I. T. U. ever made, and it is growing in excellence with every issue.

A. F. BLOOMER.

The Ruling Passion.

The ruling passion is often strong in death. A senator from Tennessee discovered this some years ago. Among his constituents was a certain man who came to him regularly twice a year for the purpose of obtaining a pass to Baltimore. The man and his family had served the Senator when he was first making his way up the ladder of politics, and as a result of this he always obliged him, and had, moreover, a soft place in his heart for the man. He obtained for him a position in one of the Departments at Washington, but this did not seem to be enough, for regularly at the end of each six months he applied for his ticket to Baltimore. One day he sickened and was reported to be dying. The Senator, very much grieved, immediately called upon him.

"Joe," he said, leaning over and speaking very softly, "is there anything I can do for you?"

The sick man looked up with a flash of recognition, and instantly replied in a whisper:

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

George L. Schoeneman is still on the sick list.

Not much doing, the weather being too excessively warm.

W. F. Johnson (Indiana) has been transferred to the State Division.

In the absence of Chairman Templar, Secretary Lillard will be acting chairman.

Stephen Th. Westdal reported for work on Monday after forty days absence.

Seventeen members of this Division have been working temporarily on the Spess.

George H. Ellis, accompanied by his family, will spend his leave in New Hampshire.

Frank Lloyd, charge of the rule cases, suddenly made up his mind to go on leave.

E. F. Geyer and Elmer E. Schooley have been transferred to the Record Clerks' Division.

Sorry to learn that Make-up Mathers, of the "Y," has been suffering with the rheumatism.

We are informed that W. A. Beasley, one of our last season's temps., has had steady work at his home in Chicago ever since he left. Glad to know it. W. A. B. is a good workman and has lots of friends hereabouts.

A. Bruce Bielaski, messenger in the office of Assistant Foreman Spottswood for three or four years past, has resigned. We understand he has received an appointment in the Department of Justice, and leaves the G. P. O. with the best wishes of his hosts of friends.

Among those going on leave this week are Wm. H. Bright, P. M. McCallum, William Lawlor, John T. Haskins, Ex-Chairman Davidson, Chairman H. W. Templar, George H. Ellis, R. A. Johnson, and S. M. Milburn.

We are pleased to note the reinstatement of George H. Ball on Tuesday morning, who was obliged to resign several months since owing to ill health. Everybody gave him the "glad hand" on his return and improved appearance.

Delegate Steele is busy these midsummer evenings arranging for transportation over the Pennsylvania Railroad to Toronto, Canada. He predicts that at least forty or fifty persons will go from this city to the International Typographical Union convention. A grand time is promised them by the Ex-Delegates of Buffalo. Oh, put us off at Buffalo!

ROUGH WRITER.

Royal Pilsen Beer on Draught at R. A. Driscoll's North Capitol and G street. Overholt whisky, 10c.

Sixth Division.

The regular stated meeting of the Union occurs next Sunday. Cut out your pleasure for one day and show up.

Ten dollars and seventy-five cents was realized in this little Division for the benefit of the childrens' playground.

Imposer Charles L. Slentz is off for thirty days. Together with his family he will enjoy life in the mountains of Pennsylvania.

Griffith Evans, of the Fourth Division, is acting as an imposer in that room during the absence of "Shorty" Moyer, of the galley press.

Balsev F. Sauter, of this Division, accompanied the Elks on their excursion to Buffalo Sunday. He is slated for an absence of twenty-one days.

Half pay for employes who have been in the service twenty years or more or are over seventy years old will catch some people goin' an' a-comin'. Eh, Bloomer.

R. H. Clouser, machine helper of this Division, together with his wife, is spending thirty days' leave among his good old Pennsylvania Dutch relatives in the Keystone State.

H. S. Sutton shows a familiarity with the rules of the penitentiary at Joliet, Ill., which might cause a person of an inquisitive turn of mind to wonder where he learned them.

Those gentlemen who advised my esteemed friend Bloomer to knock the hind sight off me probably did so in the hope that in attempting to do so he would get caught in the recoil.

A circular recently issued by the International Typographical Union shows that eighty-nine Unions already have the eight-hour day in force, while sixty have made arrangements for the same.

Machine Helper M. M. Cronin departs today for a thirty-day leave of absence. Mike will head for salt water, a fondness for which he gained while serving eight years in Uncle Sam's navy.

D. J. McConnell has been transferred from this room to the State Branch. Mr. McConnell came to this Division from the State Branch last fall and served during the last session on a Merg.

Word to the effect that Frank E. Pyne was successfully operated on at Garfield Hospital for the removal of a kidney last week, and is recovering as fast as could be expected, has been received.

Linotype Machinist S. Y. Cluxton, who recently received his household goods from Rochester, N. Y., has secured the house at 71 Q street northeast and announces that he will be glad to receive his friends.

Members of this Division were hardly prepared for the shock given them last Thursday when George F. Halsey announced at the noon hour that he had resigned. Mr. Halsey has accepted some sort of a position in Panama. With him goes the best wishes of the Sixth Division Chapel.

Oscar W. Pumphrey, whoever he is, in an article in Monday's *Post*, says he is informed there is an annual decimation of five by death and resignation in the G. P. O., and suggests that at that rate the office force will be reduced soon enough without the aid of machinery. Oscar gets another guess. Were his calculations made weekly instead of annually he would be hitting somewhere near the bull's eye.

Hearing a report on Monday to the effect that Brothers Bloomer and Belcher had kissed and made up, I hastened over to the Third Division to learn the news officially from Mr. Belcher. He professed ignorance and asked where I got my information. I told him, among others, I had heard Mr. Bloomer himself say some things that caused me to think a reconciliation had been effected, to which Mr. Belcher replied, "Well, sir, I guess you can hear Mr. Bloomer say anything but his prayers." Of course, I didn't tell Bloomer, for I don't like to get them started again.

A base ball note in the Sunday *Post* says Leo Rullman, the Fourth Division imposer, is one of the best batsmen in the G. P. O. League, his greatest difficulty being base running. Mr. Rullman might transfer some of his sleight-of-hand tricks to his feet, and at least make believe he was doing some running.

A little card passed around in the various Divisions last Thursday invited all the G. P. O. employes to a free concert which was given in the front hallway at the noon hour by the Job Room and Foundry Glee Club, under the direction of Mr. Ben. A Lineback, of the Job Room. On other occasions this club has rendered excellent programs for the benefit of the employes, and those who have had the pleasure of listening to the Club are loud in their praise of its good work, and the wish for the further continuation of these pleasing concerts. I will venture the assertion that there is more good musical talent in the G. P. O. than in any other department of the Government, and it is just such little impromptu affairs like this that brings much talent to light that would otherwise remain hidden. The appearance of Miss Katherine Ratcliffe, of the Job Press Room, as a violinist marked the occasion as one a little out of the ordinary. The following is a list of the members composing the club, and the program rendered:

Tenors—Messrs. Smith, Aldridge, and Sullivan.
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Bassos—Messrs. Brown, Jackson, and Lineback.

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John Allen is serving as messenger between here and the Patent Office, in place of Thomas, on leave.

There was generosity shown by the amount enrolled for the relief of Mr. H. P. McKevitt, of the Job Room.

The climate in this neck o' the woods didn't somehow agree with George Colquitt and he went back to the Second.

Walter Evans will spend his vacation in South Carolina, never failing to make an annual visit to his "dear old mother," as he expressed it.

Fred Davis, of the *Official Gazette*, has the specifications and plans matured for a trip to Wisconsin, where, later in the season, he will spend his annual vacation.

The following named will begin their annual leave today, July 13: F. E. Klopfer, George R. Brandon, William E. Denneson, William I. Bateman, John R. Purvis, and W. L. Evans, compositors, and Joseph L. Wine, laborer.

The new make-up bank was installed with ceremony, when Miss Evans came forward at the order of "hats off" and christened it "Madge." George Hall was an interested spectator and might have suggested another name, but he will prove his loyalty to the label by standing by it.

French Kirby, son of S. G. Kirby, of the *Official Gazette*, was a participant in the atheletic events at Marshall Hall by young Methodist athletes on Monday. In the standing broad jump contest, for boys over fifteen, young Kirby scored eight feet six inches, and won in the running broad jump by a score of thirteen feet seven inches.

We are pained to learn of the continued ill luck of our fellow craftsman, J. M. Montgomery, who sustained a severe injury to one of his legs while alighting from a street car several weeks ago. It is now feared that he may be compelled to submit to a surgical operation, attended by the usual risk and the possibility of a divorced limb. "Monty" is deserving of better luck.

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International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.—Headquarters, Rooms 103-104 Corcoran Building. H. W. Sherman, Secretary.

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Journeymen Stonecutters' Association of North America.—Headquarters, 803 Fifth street northwest. James F. McHugh, General Secretary-Treasurer.

LOCAL AUXILIARIES.

Allied Printing Trades Council meets last Thursday in the month at Typographical Temple. Elmer Johnson, Secretary, No. 2009 Flagler street northwest.

Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13, of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101. Mrs. A. C. Webb, president, 314 Tenth street northeast; Mrs. E. H. Thomas, secretary, The Bertholdt, 128 Maryland avenue southwest. Meets at Typographical Temple first Monday in each month.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 333 I street s w.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman, Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

Bricklayers, No. 1, meets second and fourth Thursdays in each month at Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. Milford Spohn, Secretary, 1238 Eighth street northwest.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—John G. Wolfe, Chairman, 1023 New Jersey avenue northwest; John T. Kenealy, Secretary, 1230 Four-and-a half street southwest; T. Costello, 37 K street northwest; Jos. Hutton, 809 F street southwest; James Murtaugh, 3160 P street northwest.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5, meets every Friday night at 7.30, in Hall 1, Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. George W. Nyman, Secretary, 1253 Eighth street northwest.

Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

Electrotype Molders and Finishers, No. 17, I. S. and E. U. Meets Wonn's Hall, 721 Sixth street northwest, the first Thursday of each month. H. C. Poppe, Secretary-Treasurer.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, Amalgamated, No. 148, meets second and fourth Wednesdays at 922 Pennsylvania avenue n. w. Martin Hellmuth, Secretary, 609 D street southwest.

Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Union, No. 11773, meets second Tuesday in each month at 7.30 p. m., Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. Frank F. Hartwell, Secretary, 810 Twentieth street northwest.

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, First Branch, meets every alternate Monday evening at 610 G street northwest, Building Trades Hall. President, R. R. Rhodes. Financial and Recording Secretary, Fred Hook, 1034 Sixth street northeast. Business Agent, W. F. Gilmore, 624 Sixth street northwest.

Tile Setters Helpers, Local No. 12, meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month in Room No. 3, Building Trades Halls, 624 Sixth street northwest. Frank J. Highman, Recording Secretary, 1720 Eighth street n. w.

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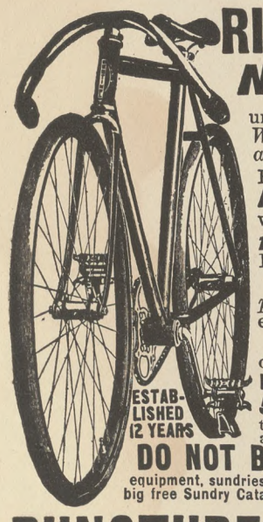

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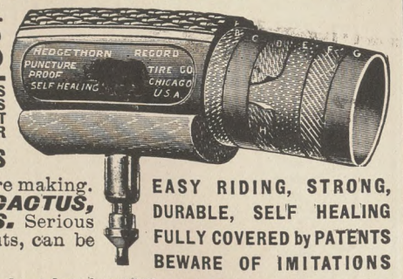

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It is reported that one day last week one hundred and sixty mechanics in the Gun Factory resigned. At this rate it will not be long before the shops will have a vacant appearance.

There are several reasons why men are leaving so rapidly.

First, the enormous cost of living. Real estate men, owners of property, and every one in general seemed to have joined together to advance property to such an extent as to make it almost impossible to reside near the Yard. Wages have not advanced for several years, but every thing else has gone skyward.

I have had the personal experience. Last year my landlord notified me of an advance in rent of one dollar per month. A few days ago I was notified that another advance of four dollars would take effect after a certain time—an advance of five dollars per month in one year, I find.

Another reason of men leaving is that indications point to a reduction in the force in a short time, as the Yard has been seriously crippled by the great amount of work taken from the Yard and given out by contract. The fear of this has caused many mechanics to accept offers made to them by the contractors, who are always anxious to secure the mechanics from the Gun factory on account of their superior qualifications.

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Early Saturday morning last William O'Donnell, Chairman of the Legislature Committee of Columbia Lodge, received a letter from President James O'Connell, with a letter from Secretary Bonaparte enclosed.

President O'Connell made an earnest appeal to the members of Columbia Lodge, through Chairmen O'Donnell, that each and every member of the Union stand to his post and faithfully do his duty on Saturday afternoon.

This request of the International President was lived up to the letter. The naval officials well know, but will not acknowledge the fact, that in any crisis it is the Union men on whom they can always depend, for the reason that a rigid discipline is enforced by Columbia Lodge on its members in the fulfillment of its orders. Columbia Lodge is a valuable auxiliary to the Superintendent of the Naval Gun Factory, not only in providing valuable workmen, but in seeing, through its officers, that the members do their work faithfully. What more can an organization do? The naval officials will always find Columbia Lodge ready and willing to join with them in advancing the interests of the Naval Gun Factory.

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The following will represent Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. of M., in the Central Labor Union for the next six months: E. L. Adams, H. T. La Clair, John McGuigan, George Preston, and O. T. Beaumont.

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It is with feelings of regret and sorrow that I record the death of one who for many years has been a co-laborer in the field of labor. I refer to Bro. John Hamerstrom, of No. 193. Columbia Lodge, at its meeting Wednesday night, appointed a committee to escort the remains to the depot to be conveyed to Galesburg, Ill., for interment. Bro. Hamerstrom was an indefatigable worker, not only as a leader of men, but as an associate in in the ranks of organized labor.

Unfading hope, when life's last embers burn,
When soul to soul and dust to dust return,
Heaven to thy charge resigns the awful hour,
O then thy kingdom comes, immortal power.
What though each spark of earth-born rapture fly
Thy quivering lip, pale cheek, and closing eye;
Bright to the soul thy seraph hands convey
The morning dream of life's eternal day.
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And all the phœnix spirit burns within.

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(Signed) J. M. BOWYER,
Acting Superintendent Naval Gun Factory.

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A story of the true Samaritan has come to me by the way of Alexandria. Some weeks ago, one of the wanderers from the paths of virtue committed suicide in that city. Friends she had none, and a pauper's grave was to be her resting place. There was one, however, who remembered that she was somebody's sister, some mother's darling, and though a man of the town, without any creed except that inborn desire to do all you can for the erring one as you pass through this life, provided the necessary funds to give the poor Magdalene a decent burial. That man is a member of Columbia Lodge of Machinists, No. 174. I would like to name him, but withhold simply on account of the embarrassment it might cause him, as he is one who never lets his right hand know what his left hand doeth. I will simply call him Jack.

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John D. Rockefeller has donated $10 000,000 to advance educational ideas. It is now up to the Standard Oil Co. to advance coal oil two cents per gallon for the purpose of allowing the poor (who as a rule are the users of the article) the blessed privilege of not only replacing this munificent offering into the treasury of that corporation, but, to feel assured that they and not John have been the givers. How blessed it is to give a dollar when you have the power to replace the same at one hundred per cent. interest. Trying to buy one's self into heaven at the expense of a community possibly may make one feel comfortable, but that is not the doctrine taught by the lowly Nazarene.

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In the *Star* of Saturday last a statement appears that on the day previous International President James O'Connell, accompanied by one John B. Simering, as the representatives of the employees in the Naval Gun Factory, appeared before the Secretary of the Navy in regard to the Saturday half holiday.

This statement is so misleading, so outrageously false, that it becomes my duty to deny it.

In the first place President O'Connell was accompanied by President E. L. Adams, of Columbia Lodge, as the representative from the Naval Gun Factory. In the second place it would be impossible for Mr. Simering to accompany the International President, as Simering is an expelled member of Columbia Lodge, No. 174, and is not recognized in any manner by the officials or members of the I. A. of M., much less recognized by the officials of the Navy Department as representing any one except John B. Simering and an *immaculate gall.*

I am not the mouthpiece of President O'Connell, or authorized by him to deny the false statements of the *Star*, but do it for fear his attention might not be called to the item and an injury might be done him by having his name connected with one who has used all his endeavors to destroy the value of Columbia Lodge to the employees of the Naval Gun Factory.

President O'Connell is a union man and does not associate with union destroyers, notwithstanding the statements of the venerable old *Star* to the contrary.

TIM TICKLE.

The Toronto Convention.

The Annual Convention of the International Typographical Union of North America will be held in the City of Toronto during the week beginning August 14, 1905.

Several decades have elapsed since a convention of the I. T. U. has been entertained across the border, and our Canadian cousins expect—and their expectations doubtless will be fulfilled—that the convention will be the greatest in attendance, as it certainly will be in the importance of the legislation to be enacted.

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

Peter Grogan and Samuel Artz Placed on the Firing Line.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.30 p. m. on Monday evening, President McCarthy in the chair.

In the absence of Secretary Winslow, Delegate McGuigan was chosen Secretary pro tem.

The reading of the minutes were dispensed with.

CREDENTIALS.

Amalgamated Carpenters, First Branch: W. A. Phillips, F. W. Parks, A. Felwick, G. A. Adams, and W. E. Brunger.

Engineers Union, No. 77: Jacob Bishop, N. M. Marden, David Fitzgerald, Ora Thompson, and George E. Eppley.

Steam Engineers, No. 99: John H. Lorch, Milton Snelling, E. M. Venable, John Houchen, and M. B. Godfrey.

Theatrical Protective Union, No. 22: William Mueller, John T. Hurley, C. Tilly, and D. R. Allen.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, No. 148: M. Hellmuth, G. Bakersmith, F. Bueckert, T. Minouge, and C. Bowman.

Tile Layers and Helpers, No. 12: Samuel Beckett, T. Hillary, C. Huntington, W. Krause, and J. Pettis.

Electrical Workers, No. 26: H. W. Sherman, George A. Malone, R. H. Bolen, F. A. Peffer, and R. Augusterfer.

Painters, No. 368: Wm. M. Lewis, G. Jule Murray, D. G. Cleland, Thomas McGilton, and Wm. Le Strang.

The Credentials Committee, having reported favorably on the credentials presented, the delegates present were obligated.

COMMUNICATIONS

From Theatrical Protective Union, No. 22, inclosing copy of contract for approval. Referred to Contract Committee.

From Secretary Hugh D. Digney, of Painters Union, No. 368, inclosing copy of duplicate set of credentials of delegates from that Union. Placed on file.

From Moses Peyton, President of Council of Hod Carriers and Building Laborers, asking that committee having Stone Laborers lockout case in hand, work with a member of the International executive board to adjust the differences existing between the employing contractors and Stone Laborers Union. Request granted.

From Stone Laborers Union, No. 46, asking for aid in fighting the lockout now on in this city against that Union. An appropriation of $25 was made for that Union.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Brewery Workers: That National Capital Brewing Co. persists in refusing to place union label on their kegs, and ask all union men who patronize places where this beer is served to ask for label on the keg.

Columbia Typographical Union: Desired information as to number of hours per day the building trades in this city work; also, what, if any, of the miscellaneous trades enjoy the eight-hour day. On roll call of unions, the information desired was given.

Hod Carriers: Called attention to certain matters affecting the employment of their members.

Sheet Metal Workers: That an increased scale will be presented for adoption, beginning September 1, 1905.

Stone Laborers: Desired action on matter referred to Organization Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

On request of Firemen, a report was made in relation to matter of employment of firemen on the *Evening Star* of this city.

The special committee on "List We Do Not Patronize" reported Peter Grogan, furniture dealer, and Samuel Artz, plumber, as two firms to make special efforts to bring to terms. The action of committee was concurred in.

NEW BUSINESS.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to write Cluett, Peabody & Co., Troy, N. Y., that members of organizations affiliated with the Union would refrain from patronizing their house while it was unfair to organized labor.

Adjourned.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

COLUMBIA UNION MEETING.

Newspaper Publishers Association Ask For Arbitration.

The regular monthly meeting of Columbia Typographical Union was called to order at 2 30 p. m. on Sunday, President Berg in the chair.

The minutes of last stated and special meetings were read and approved.

Traveling cards received since last meeting were read and accepted.

A delegate representing Collar and Shirt Starchers Union, No. 2, of Troy, N. Y., were given the privilege of the floor, and recited the struggle during the lockout in the Cluett, Peabody & Co. establishment. Subsequently the Union voted an appropriation of $25 for the relief of that Union.

The Committee on Membership reported favorably on the following applicants:

C. W. Crutchet, for apprentice membership.

W. A. Griswold, transfer from passive to active list.

John P. Morse, transfer from active to passive list.

On motion, report was concurred in.

In case of W. M. Conn further time was granted.

Bills for printing, supplies, etc., amounting to $246.85 were read and ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Commercial Telegraphers of of America, asking co-operation in regard to agreement. Referred to I. T. U. delegates.

From Philadelphia Union, stating that the *Inquirer* was still on the unfair list. Placed on file.

From Stone and Building Laborers Union, No. 46, asking aid. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Publishers Association of Washington, acknowledging receipt of notification of action of the Union in rejecting proposition for newspaper scale, and asking for arbitration. Referred to Newspaper Scale Committee —Krieter, Maher, and Allerton.

The Laws Committee reported adversely on amendment to Article II, Section 18, Ly-Laws, and recommended a substitute.

The substitute being further amended it was adopted.

The application of E. F. G. Hazle for admission to the Union Printers Home was presented to the Union. A committee having reported favorably on the application, it was approved by the Union.

The Relief Committee asked for an appropriation of $100, which was granted.

The Grievance Committee, having considered the appeal for aid from Brotherhood of Teamsters, on strike in Chicago, asked an appropriation be sent to each of the organizations, which was agreed to.

J. M. Krieter presented his resignation as a member of the Eight-hour Committee, and the chair appointed R. W. Burnside to fill the vacancy.

Samuel J. Gompers presented his resignation as a member of the Memorial Committee, and the chair appointed Harry O'Donnell to fill the vacancy.

OFFICERS REPORT.

The President reported two deaths since last meeting—Samuel Elwood and A. P. Marston.

He also made a statement regarding the alleged call for special meeting of the Union to have counsel represent Columbia Union and its members before the Keep Commission.

In this connection J. H. Babcock made a statement, absolving the officers of the Union of any attempt to discourage the calling of the meeting.

Mr. Babcock also moved the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the delegates of Columbia Typographical Union to the Council of Allied Printing Trades be instructed to cooperate with the allied printing crafts in taking such action as shall be deemed necessary and just to protect and foster the interests of those crafts in any future investigations of the mechanical workings of the Government Printing Office.

The resolution was adopted.

The I. T. U. Committee on Government Ownership of Telegraph offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Union that that the International Typographical Union, by appropriate action at its forthcoming meeting, urge on its membership an aggressive renewal of the agitation in favor of Government ownership of telegraphs.

On motion, the resolution was referred to delegates to the I. T. U.

An attempt to have the Union indorse a proposed amendment to the I. T. U. obligation was referred to the delegates to the I. T. U.

On motion, a committee was appointed to co-operate with the Ex-Delegates Association to entertain visitors en route to Toronto.

On motion, $25 was appropriated to aid Philadelphia Union in its fight against the *Inquirer* of that city.

Adjourned.

The Frisco Lockout.

Referring to the lockout of printers in Frisco, the *Minnesota Union Advocate* says:

"The eight-hour day has been in operation there in all printing trades since the first of January. On July 1 the Typothetae endeavored to return to the nine-hour day.

"The situation is in every way acceptable to the men in the big California city. Latest reports show conclusively that the Typothetae and its Parry-Post allies have a big contract on their hands in trying to re-establish the nine-hour day. Many of the offices which were included in the ranks of the Typothetae have refused to join the nine-hour crusade. They prefer to let well enough alone. Among these employers is C. A. Murdock, former president of San Francisco Typothetae.

"On Monday morning few of the offices which posted the nine-hour day notice on Saturday, July 1, opened for business. Those that did, with one exception, worked on an eight-hour shift.

"The union officials have received information that some of the firms signed to the list of the Typothetae will break away and grant the shorter workday.

"Many of the large firms that have conceded the eight-hour conditions were affiliated with the Typothetae.

"The firms that are standing with the Typothetae in its fight against the union claim that they handle 50 per cent of the printing output. This is disputed by the officers of the union and also by the firms that have decided to run on eight-hour conditions. They say that the houses that have locked out their hands do not print 30 per cent of the work done in the city, and that they will soon find that much of their work will be given to the fair houses.

"The printing pressmen are standing with the printers in the struggle. At a meeting held last Saturday evening the pressmen were instructed to resume work only on condition that the eight-hour day would be maintained. It was decided to pay benefits to all pressmen who are out of work at present, and not entitled to lockout benefits from the International union.

"The lockout affects about one hundred pressmen and feeders, although quite a number of those will find work immediately in other shops, which have made arrangements to run extra shifts. Orders have already been received at the union headquarters for extra men to work in San Francisco and in Oakland, from shops that adhere to the existing agreement."

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Gee, but ours
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—L. D. WHEELDON.

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STRUCTURAL ALLIANCE.

There'll be one other important trade affiliated with this Local, if the definition of their trade rights is acceptable to the general office. Inasmuch as they (the Tile Layers) are voting by referendum to affiliate nationally, it is not likely that the "trade rights" in this case will delay this trade from affiliation.

The writer—until a few weeks ago—was not very favorable to a National Building Trades Council of any kind, but since giving the matter more thought and noticing some of the signs of a few of our builders: "Offices in Chicago, Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington" and other places, concludes that National Building Trades Council or Alliance is just as much a necessity now as for any of the separate crafts to be National.

It is a somewhat common occurrence now to see a firm fair to the trades in one city and trying to smash unions to "smithereens" in another.

The necessity for a National Building Trades Council will increase each year, and it would be well if some of our trades here who, remembering "Old D. A. 66" or Federation, would give this some thought. The days of Local Building Trades Council are over. In the Structural Alliance of this city the nucleus for a perfect building trade is started; in fact well on its way. Its method of handling grievances by arbitration instead of by strike should commend it to all the trades, and particularly to those who, having pretty good conditions themselves, "don't give a darn about the other fellow." This class should remember, that no matter how strong they are that some day they *may* need the assistance of the other trades.

To this class of Union men I should say, "In time of peace prepare for war," and send your delegates to help build up a perfect Structural Alliance of this city.

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PAINTERS.

The Painters have had their first meeting to organize a District Council, composed of the painters of Washington and vicinity. E. E. Hancock was the temporary chairman and Jule Murray, secretary.

It is to be called, when the formation is complete, Council No. 13, of Washington and vicinity.

The newly elected officers of Painters Union, No. 362, are Wm. Lee Strange, president; John Scott, vice president; Hugh Digney (re-elected), secretary; and William M. Lewis, their business agent for past three years, was considered a "safe proposition" for another term.

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ELECTRICAL WORKERS, NO. 26.

Jere F. McCarthy, President of the Central Labor Union of this city, and Thomas McGovern, vice president of the Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, accompanied the ladies who are soliciting aid for the Starchers' Union of Troy, N. Y., to this Local on Thursday night.

The reasons for their coming was "to thank Local No. 26 for their prompt financial assistance."

Mr. McGovern did all the talking and it was soon evident that the ladies had made no mistake in selecting him for the honor. After he was through our president, Chris. Yeabower, was so warm in his indignation against the Cluett, Peabody & Co. firm that he used up some of his feelings by pounding so hard on his stand that he broke his gavel.

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IRON WORKERS' STRIKE.

The Pennsylvania Steel Co. are making no effort to replace the men in this Local's jurisdiction, and Thomas McGovern, one of the executive officers of this organization, who was in the city attending the meeting of the Bridgemen Friday last, informs me that "at no place has the steel company attempted to resume their work." This means one of two things—the company intends to settle or there is a scarcity of "Farleys" capable of erecting steel.

The new officers of the Local are: President, James Kelly; vice president, Morris Finley; secretary-treasurer, Charles W. Winslow; business agent, F. M. Biggs.

Brothers Biggs and Winslow were also chosen to represent No. 5 at the convention which meets in Philadelphia in September.

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If Mr. Parsons, who secured the contract for building the new municipal building, could hear the remarks made by members of organized labor in *all* the trades the "old man" would feel "tickled." To no one could this contract have been given and afford as much satisfaction to the Union mechanics of this city as to "Old Man Parsons." And he may be assured that when men feel thus kindly towards any contractor that his interests will be well taken care of.

The Miscellaneous Trades.

PRINTERS' UNION STILL IN BUSINESS IN ST. LOUIS.

After all their talk about resisting the "unreasonable" unions the St. Louis Typothetae was whipped to a standstill in just one short week by the Bookbinders. The latter demanded an increase of wages; the bosses threatened with the open shop. A strike was ordered and the shop doors remained wide open, but nobody could be coaxed to go to work. Then the bosses gracefully yielded and now the shop doors are closed again. With an easy victory like that for the binders, No. 8 has nothing to fear.

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"LEST WE FORGET"

and buy a *Monarch* brand *Shirt* or *Arrow* brand *Collar*.

The lockout of seven hundred girls, members of Collar Starchers' Union, No. 2, of Troy, N. Y., has now been on for ten weeks. Not a member has proven disloyal and the girls are just as confident of success as on the first day.

Here is the system employed by the captains of the shirt and collar industry to enrich themselves at the expense of their employees:

Piece work prevails in the shirt and collar factories of Troy, and any time lost, for whatever cause, by an employee, the firm is not the looser. No employee is allowed to talk with a fellow worker. Prison rule prevails, and any infraction of this rule means discharge. They must account for all work passing through their hands, no matter who handles it after; penalty, one dozen lost, 50 cents to $1.00 fine. Failure to mark on slip amount of collars received; penalty, 10 cents fine. Dropping a collar on the floor while hanging up; 20 cents fine. For hanging collars on bars which the cleaners failed to wash; penalty, $1.00 fine. One collar dropped from bars and no one knew who was guilty; penalty, four nearest employees were docked 10 cents each. Firm experimented with a new cheap starch; penalty, girls docked for poor work, and told to get out. If a collar was soiled from the time it left the starchers until it was ironed; penalty, starcher fined, no matter who was at fault.

Wages have not been increased in twenty years. Laid off seventy girls while there was plenty of work, and other factories were doing work for Cluett, Peabody & Co. Firm refused to allow a committee of employees in their office to discuss grievances. Firm refused to arbitrate with employees. $159,900 has been paid in fines to these employers in the last ten years. One firm gets enough through the silent cut to pay the rent of the large building it occupies. The firm of Cluett, Peabody & Co., makers of *Monarch Shirts and Arrow Brand Collars*, who have been on the *unfair list* of the A. F. of L. for the past *four years*, was the cause of the lockout. *It is up to organized labor to put an end to such tyranny.* We ask your moral and financial assistance to aid us in the fight to drive the *Monarch Brand Shirt, and the Arrow Brand Collar* off the market. The success of these girls means the success of all organized labor.

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The following from the pen of James O'Hagan, secretary of the Structural Alliance of this city, voices the sentiment of the editor in dealing with labor's greatest parasite.

THE SCAB.

The "scab" is the resource of the employer in breaking down workmen, and in this connection he begins to talk of the right to labor. Yet the "scab" has no right to labor conceded him by the manager. The "scab" is taken on and dismissed as suits his own convenience and this solely that his power in dealing with the laborer may be unrestrained.

The "scab" makes and enforces no contract. He is present that no contract may be made and enforced. The "scab" lends himself to the tyranny of the employer, and secures in return only a brief period of employment. When a new equilibrium shall have been established, he, having done what mischief he was able to do, falls back to his old position of waiting for further trouble.

Between the "scab" and the Unionist no rights are to be gained.

The Unionist held his own job, and had not yielded it. The "scab" steps in to oust him under conditions inimical to the entire class of laborers. The cry of the right to labor made in behalf of the "scab" is a misleading cry, designed to divert attention from the true issue. His own chances of labor are in no way interfered with. If the "scab" succeeds he throws some one else out of labor, and cripples labor in its entire extent.

If a contractor, under an agreement to put up a building, should, in the progress of the work, find himself at disagreement with his employer as to the interpretation of certain specifications in the contract, it would not be in order for the latter to say: "There is a man ready to take up and complete the work as I wish it to be done; all you have to do is to stand out of the way." "Not in the least," would be the response. "I have put myself to expense; I have declined other work, and, moreover, I expect to make something out of the job. The difference in the rendering of the contract must be adjusted, and I must proceed." In the case of the laborer he is first robbed of the power to make a contract and then robbed of his opportunities because he has no contract. The thing under contention is the power of contract and the rights go with it. The law and the administration of the law and the action of the "scab" under the law, when they oppose themselves to a fundamental right in a great class, are one and all hostile to democratic society. We can secure no organic completeness in society till every part ministers to every other part in reciprocal advantages. It is on this claim that the rights of labor rests.

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You think because "the other Bowen" is called "Cold-Feet Bowen" the nickname has reference to some kind of a game. Nothing of the sort. When in the Fifth Division Mr. Bowen wrote to the Public Printer that "he could not understand why the windows of the room were kept open, thus giving him cold feet."

I met Mike Molan while he was promenading with his better half and he held me up long enough to tell me that he, too, was in Joliet. Among other news items he imparted the information that our old warden was now in charge at Leavenworth. This warden aforesaid wrote a book on his prison experiences, or rather his experience with prisoners, a poem therein being, to my mind, in the same class with Mr. Kipling's

A fool there was and his goods he spent.

I append a verse from memory:

What led me to do it? What always leads
men to temptation and crimes?
The prodigal son that we read of has
changed somewhat in our times.
He spends his substance as freely as the
biblical fellow of old
And when it is gone then he fancies the
husks they will turn into gold.

H. S. SUTTON.

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FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

We were discussing grafters—our own crop, and especially those who made the sick reliefs their victims. "There used to be a fellow here," said one—"I won't call his name, but a song about him said that 'he worked all day in Botany Bay and subbed at night on the Record,' which will be enough to bring his name to your memory founts. Of course he joined the sick relief—there wasn't but one then and it wanted members. One summer he went on an excursion to Niagara Falls, and, with characteristic thrift, he devoted his time on the trip to selling fried fish and other garbage to his fellow-excursionists. So enthusiastic in and devoted to his business was he that so far as anyone knew he never slept a line during the four days of the excursion. On his return he put in a claim for sick benefit, saying he had been ordered away on account of his health. Having the dots on him, this was turned down, but when, a little later, he presented a physician's certificate of illness during the two weeks that he spent fishing down on Chesapeake Bay—laying in stock for another excursion, I suppose—it was paid; but he was fired out of the Association without a dissenting voice."

"I remember the case of a fellow," said another, "who took his leave and went down to Colonial Beach every year regularly, and though he was never known to be sick during the other eleven months, the next mail always brought back a physician's certificate that he was under his care, and he got his sick benefits. As he always recovered promptly when his leave expired and returned to work, after this had been practiced four or five years the Association came to and fired him."

"In another case told to me by one of the sick committee," said a third, "a member sent word that he had broken his ankle. The committeeman went to see him and found him with his foot on a pillow. Passing by a day or two later and glancing in at the window, he saw the invalid walking around easily. Ringing the bell, it was some time before he was admitted, but by the time he got in the foot was again on the pillow. The committeeman became suspicious and paid a visit to the neighborhood early one morning, when he saw the poor invalid comfortably carrying home a heavy market basket, and though he assumed a great limp as soon as he saw the committeeman and explained that he was trying to help his broken ankle by exercising it, his benefit was held up and he was let out."

"A former G. P. O. temporary showed considerable talent in Chicago when I was there some years ago," said another; "not in connection with sick reliefs, but in getting along without working for it. Work was very plentiful, much to his disgust, but he managed to loaf around the 'house of call' without doing any of it. One day, however, there came a call for sixty compositors, and as his name was at the head of the slate it looked blue for him. Hastily wrapping a handkerchief around his wrist, he scanned the list.

"Ain't you going to work, Cocky?' asked one of the fellows.

"'Going to work! Good God, how can I with this?' he wailed, holding up his bandaged wrist.

"Borrowing 60 cents from the sympathizing men to buy an appliance to strap up his arm, he worked the game for three months, living higher than he had before for years."

"Yes, I know that duck," said a former Guardsman. "While he was here he joined the National Guard, probably for the outing privileges it gave him. One summer they went into camp over at Leesburg. After the campaign was over they had orders to march back to Washington carrying gun, blankets, camp equipage, etc., in all about 60 pounds per man. Cocky did not view this program with any pleasure; so an hour or two before starting time he managed to violate some regulation and got himself placed under arrest, and while the others were sweating under their loads, Cocky, under guard, trudged along unloaded."

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Have you given up going to Toronto yet?

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I noticed in an ad. in the *Bulletin* the other night that "Frank Buzzone, the proprietor of the Hotel Vendome barber shop, will remain open until 12 o'clock every night." I wonder how he accomplishes it. (*Ax*).

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The Ex-Delegates' Association of Chicago Typographical Union, No. 16, has issued an invitation to delegates, ex-delegates, and prospective visitors to the Toronto convention to an entertainment to be provided by the Association, to be on August 10, to consist of an automobile ride around the city, followed by a banquet in the evening. L. A. Hornstein and John M. ("Circus") McGowan, both of whom were delegates to this city in 1903 and the latter well known here, are, respectively, president and secretary of the Association, and if you have any idea of partaking of their hospitality the latter may be addressed at 192 North State street. Chicago never fails to do these things up right.

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There is more danger of a "blowback" than from the recoil in firing Sonny Gunn, I imagine, like that a year or two ago on board the U. S. S. *Missouri*, where the belcher of fire only injured those behind it. And speaking of belchers, I can't imagine where Sonny got an idea that there had ever been anything between Mr. Belcher and myself to "kiss and make up" over. Neither of us is such a fool as to take personal umbrage at words said in a newspaper controversy. Sonny's mind must hark back to his day in the country, where the editor of the Hawville *Wart* glared real contemptuously at the editor of the Squashpatch *Toad*, and the editor of the *Toad* superciliously sneered at the editor of the *Wart*. Real editors don't do that way.

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There is no human trait that manifests itself in so many forms as egotism. Oh, I've got my share, if you are waiting to throw that at me, and one of my ways of manifesting it is in imagining that I can write what others are interested in reading; otherwise I wouldn't write, for there is no money in it. But this time I did not start out to write about myself. One style of egotist is the chap who says, "I want to tell you what kind of a man I am," as though you didn't know better than he does. He really imagines that he is different from other people, and of course—that is, he has a more capable way of handling things of the sort he then proceeds to talk about. I once knew a lady who was constantly saying "I'm quare that way." But she wasn't; she was only "quare" in always harping on her own quareness and in trying to square acts done in bad taste by alleging her own eccentricity. No eccentric ever knows that he is one.

Another egotist is the man who takes issue with you in whatever proposition you make; and he is the last man in the world to recognize that characteristic in himself, and still less capable of ascribing the fault (if it be a fault) to its true cause. The fact that he had not advanced the argument first is to him the evidence of its untenability, for he often takes that position himself if the counter argument be first urged. Nothing is true to him unless he is the first to advance it, or the great light from which he takes his inspiration. It is not the intention to decry him, for he is in the main a good fellow and generally an interesting talker, though usually he is only interested as long as he is doing the talking.

Then there is another egotist who tells his story by asking questions, and he is disgusted if you even attempt to answer them. After telling what the other fellow said, he says: "Do you know what I said to him?" But you spoil his story if you hazard a guess.

"I met a friend of yours last night, and say!—do you know who it was and what he is doing?" As you have several friends and are not sure which one is meant, you don't know which nor what he is doing. But if you get funny and say: "Why, yes; Bill Jones; he's shoeing mules, as usual," you disconcert him—it is not what he wants you to say. He wants you to display the liveliest curiosity, and then he will tell you, invariably with great gusto. This sort of egotism is prompted by a desire to hold the center of the stage—to attract attention to himself—to be theatrically interesting; and it is cruel to spoil his climax. He is the most innocent of egotists—and all egotists are really innocent; none of us are aware that we are egotists.

By the way, that desire to be interesting, to entertain the company, is a not uncommon form of egotism—though none of the forms are really uncommon. It frequently leads its possessor to make most astonishing statements at times, and at others to relate the commonest of commonplaces as facts of the most remarkable occurrence. Such people are hard to entertain—in fact, they can only be entertained by entertaining others. He is invariably bored by your poor efforts, because he knows something of the same kind that was much more remarkable. But he is a good fellow, too.

There are several other kinds of egotists.

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Well, we are going to entertain the delegates and visitors on their way to the Toronto convention, provided any come this way, and provided it doesn't cost the union anything. I hope there will be enough of them to enable the Ex-Delegates' Association to blow in its $40, which it stands ready to expend in co-operating with the union. That will at least pay car fare and buy beer and schweitzer, and what more can anyone ask? I hope no future complications will grow out of the selection of the chairman of the entertainment committee.

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The next fellow who wants to contest any other fellow's election will at least have to allege that he was elected himself. That much was accomplished last Sunday, as well as an amendment fixing at sixty days the time which the secretary shall preserve the ballots. Heretofore there was nothing to prevent their destruction the next day after an election.

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Daniel J. Quinn, who worked a number of years in the G. P. O., but went to Denver something more than a year ago, for his health, died in Richmond last Monday, having been unable to stay the ravages of the "great white white plague." The climate of Denver did not seem to help him, and he returned to his old home some months ago, to die among his friends. Mr. Quinn was a very quiet, gentlemanly man, and his friends will be deeply grieved to learn of his demise.

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Word was received a day or two ago of the death, in New York, of Tom Gawley, after some months of ill health. He was here for a short time about twenty-five years ago, and afterwards was located in Buffalo. But there was scarcely any portion of the United States where he was not known in the seventies and eighties, and doubtless there are many here now who have known him.

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If there is anything in the idea suggested at the Union meeting last Sunday—that no one can be sent to the Home at Colorado Springs unless he is absolutely destitute—it is time that such ruling is changed. Take the case of the man who has accumulated a little home. Unless he is a man of family he does not do this—not once in a thousand times. Is it held, or even argued, that he must sell his house, expend the proceeds to live, and leave his family homeless as well as without income, before he can be sent to the Home? I do not believe it. We all pay dues for the support of that Home, and that entitles each one to admission, if he shall become disabled, not as a charity, but as a right—subject, of course, to the capacity of the Home. In fact we have evidence against the absolute destitution idea in the admission of Mrs. Wilson some months ago. It was never claimed by anyone that her husband was unable to provide for her, but that her health would be improved by the climate of the country in which the Home is situated, and that as a contributing member she had a right to its benefits. Oh, no; it will not do to insist that one asking admission to the Home shall be totally destitute.

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Delegate Joe M. Johnson received notification from President Lynch on Monday that he had been appointed a member of the Laws Committee of the I. T. U. convention, his colleagues being Walter H. McKee, of New York; J. Vander Perel, of Denver; T. J. Creager, of Springfield, Ohio, and Horace Johnson, of Memphis. The committee will meet at the Rossin House, Toronto, on August 10, and proceed to elect a chairman and consider the business that may be referred to it. This will necessitate Mr. Johnson starting two or three days ahead of his colleagues and the visitors to Toronto from this city, and his printer wife, who is as good a union man as he is, will accompany him. President Lynch has conferred an honor on Columbia Union in selecting one of her delegates for this great committee and paid a tribute to the ability of Mr. Johnson that the entire Union will appreciate, as membership on the Laws Committee is the most coveted of all the convention honors.

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From A. J. E. Hubbard's Colorado Springs *Labor News* I learn that S. S. Culbertson, of the G. P. O., recently made that office a visit, being in attendance on the Epworth League convention there, and since its adjournment, accompanied by his nephew, J. M. Johnston, of Denver, was engaged in seeing the sights; that Carlos B. Tomlin, who had vacated the Home on July 6, and had gone to work in the job rooms of the *Telegraph*, Colorado Springs; and that Andrew Hughes, known throughout the civilized world thirty years ago (if it is the same one), had been admitted to the Home from Chicago.

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I have received the "Souvenir Brochure, Printers' Picnic," of Montreal Union, held at Isle Gros Bois, July 15, and I suspect I have my friend Silas ("Bill") Reed to thank for it. It gives all the programs of the day—dancing and games—and a list of the committees, as well as considerable literary matter. I am paid the delicate compliment of having my story, "How Jones Saved the *Twink*," embodied in it, boiled down so as to go into a single page, though the compliment was too delicate to give me credit for it. It is neatly printed and well filled with advertising.

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From President James M. Lynch I have received the Reports of Officers to the Fifty-first Session of the International Typographical Union at the city of Toronto, Canada, August 14 to 19, 1905, consisting of 130 pages, and including the reports of all the officers, committees, and officials of the Union Printers' Home. It covers the entire situation so well that he who has read it cannot fail to be informed of all matters concerning our great International organization.

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Special Agent Edwin M. Blake, of the Bureau of Labor, started for New York this (Thursday) morning, where he will prepare the statistics of the printing and allied trades for the past four years with regard to strikes and lockouts. The work will probably require six months. Mr. Blake is well equipped to make the investigation, as he has been connected with the Labor Bureau many years.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

Geo. Schoeneman is still on the sick list.

Another detail to the Spess this week.

Winslow Lewis has been transferred to the Sixth Division.

J. F. Lane returned from his seventeen days' leave of absence.

Col. Jas. E. Bright has returned to his desk. He presents a much improved appearance.

The committee on rumors was busy the other afternoon on the incoming Public Printer.

S. W. Langford has charge of the rule cases in the absence of Frank M. Lloyd on leave.

Those "wireless telegraph" messages on the bulletin board, supposedly from our absent Irish friend, John O'Neill, are read with much interest.

From the appearance of some of the alleys in our Division, owing to details, transfers (temporarily or otherwise), leave-takers, etc., it looks as if they had gone out of commission.

Among those going on leave this week are John H. Butler, C. Perry Brown, H. S. Gunn, Lee Hartley, Fred. D. Heisler, Merwin G. Howe, G. W. Robinson, B. C. Wright, W. S. Schinnerer, and Simon Pocher.

J. D. Van Scoten, a former employee of the old Document Room, was a visitor to this city on Monday. We understand he is connected with the Y. M. C. A., of Columbus, Ohio, in an official capacity, in which city he resides. Van and E. B. Horen (now a prosperous dentist) were bankmen under Public Printer Benedict's administration. Both were popular young men.

ROUGH WRITER.

Royal Pilsen Beer on Draught at R. A. Driscoll's North Capitol and G street. Overholt whisky, 10c.

Specification Notes.

The roster of this Chapel shows a total of 301.

A little girl baby came to further bless Charley Duffy's home while he was on leave.

Comrade F. C. Roberts is with us again, he having chosen this as a suitable place for a summer vacation.

Chairman Morcock will turn in to the Secretary's office a total of about $325 as current dues from this chapel.

Ivins Davis is using his entire leave at his stock and fruit farm down in Virginia. He reports a promising apple crop.

The advantage of machine composition over hand composition is not apparent except as quality is sacrificed for quantity. This is the testimony adduced.

The following entered upon annual leave this week: Ellis Wallace, James R. Long, Ida M. Copenhave, E. P. Stanley, T. J. Galvin, S. T. Marye, C. A. Capell, U. C. Hays.

The rumor of the possible retirement of Public Printer Palmer occasions more than usual anxiety, especially among those of the rank and file, who are loth to part with one who through a series of years has proven himself a just and generous friend.

Miss Edith Hawks and Adah H. Friedlander have received the congratulations of the room on account of a message to each from the Civil Service Commission placing them on the permanent list. The presentation of a handsome floral testimonial was by Mr. Rogers.

An electric fan is promised to envelop the ring alley. From thence easterly down the room its zephyrs will unite with those which play around the copy desk, thus forming an eddy, and incidentally shedding its benign influence over imposers and those who tarry at the head-letter cases.

It is learned on good authority that Captain W. R. Ramsey, Foreman of the Specification Division, will be a candidate for the office of Public Printer in the event of the retirement of Mr. Palmer, the present incumbent. Mr. Ramsay's qualifications for the position cannot be questioned, and it is not too much to say that his selection would be entirely acceptable to the working force of the great printery.

One of the new men is unable to understand why the proofreader should one day allow the final e to remain on therefore and another day mark it off. The only reasonable explanation is that the proofreader, after diligent research, has discovered a difference in the meaning of the two words, and therefore, it would be the same as a challenge to recognized authorities if he were to allow the adding of e to therefor.

PROUD OF HIS WORK.

John McCullough Made Chairs Before He Became an Actor.

Of the thousands who admired the acting of John McCullough few were aware that at sixteen he could read, but could not write, and that at eighteen he knew absolutely nothing of literature, perhaps not even the name of the great poet of Avon, whose interpreter he after became.

In after life McCullough used to speak gratefully of an old chairmaker, under whom he worked, for teaching him two things—"chairmaking and Shakespeare." In his periods of conviviality the old chairmaker was accustomed to spout Shakespeare to young McCullough, giving a somewhat imperfect imitation of Forrest's acting. It was this that turned McCullough's thought from chairmaking to the stage. Yet in all his after years McCullough was proudest of his early craft. On one occasion, at the height of his popularity, he was the guest of a wealthy Philadelphian. In the midst of the talk after dinner the tragedian glanced at a chair in the room, went over to it and, turning it bottom up, said to his amazed host:

"I thought so! That's one of my chairs!"

And he seemed prouder of the fact that the chair had lasted so long, because it was so well made, than he was of his histrionic success.—*Saturday Evening Post.*

LETTER FROM DENVER.

A Visitor to "The Queen City" Dwells on Its Beauties.

DENVER, COLO., *July 15, 1905.*

To the Editors TRADES UNIONIST:

It was my privilege and pleasure to be one of the party of Washington Epworth Leaguers to the Seventh International Convention, which met in this city July 5 to 9, 1905. A more appropriate place could scarcely have been found. The very air of Colorado breathes welcome, and it was a new thing for some Leaguers to sleep under cover in July.

The three branches of Methodism were represented from the United States and Canada. Fifteen thousand delegates were present, and the theme of the meetings was "personal evangelism." It is estimated two thousand persons were present at each sunrise service, and on the Sabbath the churches were thronged to hear the leading divines of the church.

The Washington delegation numbered thirty five, who ate and slept in their own car. It was a happy party, and no accident happened, save the losing of her railroad ticket by one of the ladies.

Denver is truly the "Queen City of the West," and besides her hospitable people is within easy reach of Rocky Mountain resorts. Beginning with Saturday one of the popular side trips was the "Switzerland of America," to Sunset and Ward, 120 miles round trip, through South Boulder Canon. It was simply grand, as the train makes a serpentine trail through passes with rock towering 700 to 900 feet in height.

The second trip was the Georgetown loup trip to Silver Plume, Monday morning, 108 miles, passing through Clear Creek Canon, 33 miles in length, with its mountain balls plainly on every hand. Silver Plume is 9,177 feet above sea level. No two trips were alike, as new scenes were seen every few minutes.

The third trip was over the "Moffatt" line, 132 miles. This is a new road and has thirty-one tunnels. Rollins Pass was reached on this trip, passing through the snow sheds and in full view of Long's Peak and Epworth Peak, dedicated to the Epworth League. Here at Rollins Pass is the Continental Divide, 10,680 feet, the highest standard gauge railroad point in the world.

Wednesday, July 12, to Colorado Springs and Manitou. Here thousands of tourists and many invalids are met, but delightful places to stop, with its pure air and mineral waters.

Our first visit was to the Union Printers' Home, a charming and delightful place, well ventilated, and elegant table, all sharing alike. The superintendent, Mr. Deacon, was a gentleman in the truest sense, and made our visit very pleasant. Here we met Robinson, Doughty, and Mrs. Wilson of Washington. It was also a pleasure to meet Tomlin and Hubbard and his wife, who wished to be remembered to Washington friends. They have no desire to return to the Capital City. Thursday was a full day, rising at 1 o'clock and reaching the summit of Pike's Peak, 11,147 feet, at sunrise. It was a great sight. Returning at 7 o'clock the Colorado Short Line trip to Cripple Creek. Other trips were through canons; this was over the tops of canons and looking down into depths of 500 to 1,000 feet and around mountain sides. Nearing Cripple Creek is Altmann, the highest incorporated town in the world. and the snowy range and Continental Divide are in full view.

Cripple Creek is a hilly town without shade, low houses, with its many mines. To our mind a typical Western town. A gold mine would hardly induce us to live there.

One of the most pleasant visits was to South Cheyenne Canon, and the ride on a bus to the Seven Falls, and mountain climb to the grave of Helen Hunt Jackson. In this canon are the peaks of Hercules, 940 and 750 high.

Colorado is a wonderland, and any of the trips mentioned is worth the visit there.

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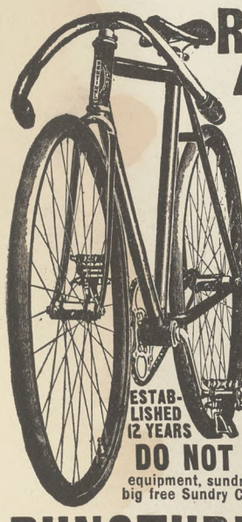

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President E. L. Adams presided and made one of the best addresses it has ever been my privilege to listen to. The result was that a committee of two brothers, Wm. O'Donnell and Harry La Clair, were appointed to accompany President Samuel Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, and International President James O'Connell to Oyster Bay to make a personal appeal to the President on behalf of the employees of the Naval Gun Factory for a square deal, and no discrimination.

It is just such discrimination as the employees of the Naval Gun Factory were subjected to last Saturday that is making Socialistic votes by the thousand daily. Some day we will witness a hundred or more Livernash's in Congress and some people will wonder how it happened.

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It was a touching scene, the burial of the Outfitters to Men's Store. The funeral oration of Parson Bloomer was like the darkey said about the skunk—awfully powerful. No doubt it had a depressing effect on Chief Engineer Bloch, who so kindly laid out the corpse. Peace to its ashes.

Last Monday night, as a delegate from Columbia Lodge, I was initiated into the mysteries of the Central Labor Body. Ex-President Dickman, knowing my youth and inexperience, kindly acted as my chaperone and introduced me to the boys. On being presented to the President as delegate Blank, better known as Tim Tickle, I was assured of hearty welcome, but kindly admonished that in my official capacity as a member of that august body it became my solemn duty to do as the physician does in diagnosing a case that he knows nothing of—look wise and say nothing. I assured him that I would be as solemn as an undertaker, and would not even smile at his mistakes. With this assurance on my part I was invited to join him later in the evening.

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A gentlemen of excellent reputation who has been engaged for many years as a retailer of butter, coffee and teas, in this city, informs me that recently the wives of several of his customers, who are clerks in the War Department, notified him to discontinue serving same.

On asking the question if there was any complaint as regards the quality of goods furnished, he was informed that their husbands were now buying groceries, etc., from the commissary branch of the War Department at wholesale prices.

The question uppermost in my mind is, Has the War Department opened a a commissary for all its employees or only those who are the favored ones?

If it be true that the War Department has opened a co-operative supply store, whereby all its employees can draw their household supplies at wholesale prices, cannot the Navy and other Departments do the same thing? It would go a long way in keeping down the agitation for greater salaries to meet the exorbitant prices of living. I am aware that there is a rule, possibly a law, wherein the Army and Navy officers can draw their fuel at contract prices.

During the coal famine of two years ago, when the citizen was compelled to pay anywhere from ten to twenty dollars per ton for anthracite coal, a naval officer informed me that his coal was delivered in his cellar for about $3.60 per ton. If this statement be correct, why cannot the different Executive Departments in making their contracts, provide that all of the employees be furnished their fuel on the same basis. If the War Department, through it commissary, is furnishing its employees with groceries, etc., at wholesale prices, cannot the Navy Department do likewise? Respectfully referred to the Keep Commission.

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I regret that Secretary Bonaparte returned those railroad passes. It would have been better to mailed them to the writer, as I could have used them every Saturday afternoon in making my trip to Atlantic City and return.

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I had this conundrum drove into me last Saturday: "What is the difference between a Government clerk and a gun builder?"

"Answer. One enjoys the meat of the turkey while the other is content to pick the "boney parts."

I felt like hitting the asker with a "big stick," but refrained, knowing that in the end everybody would get a "square deal."

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We are told in the Scripture that he that exalteth himself shall be abased, and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted. From time immemorial the Government clerk has exalted himself, while the brother-man, he of the brawn and muscle, has been abased. But conditions have changed. Under the late order governing per diem employees of the Naval Gun Factory for Saturday afternoons during the summer months, we can say unto the the clerk as did the Pharisee of old: "We thank somebody for discovering the fact that we are not as other men; that we are so important to the Government that our services cannot be spared during the summer months."

It is a high compliment paid to the skilled artisans of the Naval Gun Factory, to know that "we," who have always been considered of the least importance, should by the stroke of a pen be elevated to that high position as was the blacksmith at the finish of King Solomon's Temple. We feel like singing that sweet anthem: "Glory Hallelujah," the victory we have won. No more will we be compelled to take the back streets and alleyways, while the Government clerk struts the avenue. No more will we be compelled to ride in Jim Crow cars and pay our fares, while the Government clerk rides in a Pullman on free passes.

Times have changed. By the rule of evolution the bottom rail is now on top and while the Government clerk is suffering on Saturday afternoons from the sweltering heat and unsanitary conditions of Coney Island or Atlantic City, we of the Naval Gun Factory will enjoy the exhilerating and health restoring breezes that are wafted across the Anacostia marshes. We rejoice and are glad because at last we are IT.

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Now the Captain heard a mighty yell, and wondered what's the trouble;
When he found we only wanted a half, he says "I'll give you double."
And the poor deluded fools decided to appeal
To him who stands on record—every man must have a "square" deal.

But the answer of Our Mighty Chief, who had listened to us before,
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"Hoots, sir," was the reply, "is that a'? I'll soon tell ye the reason of that. When you preach we a' ken the word of God is safe in your hands, but when thea young "birkies' ta' it in hand—ma certie, but it take's us a' to look after them!"—*Glasgow Times.*

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

Portrait of Late Ex-President John Hamerstrom Ordered.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.10 p. m. on Monday by President McCarthy.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, and after correction by noting appointment of a committee to secure a portrait of ex-President John Hamerstrom, deceased, were approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Bottlers Union, No. 251: G. I. Bateman, W. H. Ryan, I. Burch, A. Romel, and L. Muse.

Upholsterers, No. 58: Henry Nolda, G. B. Johnston, F. Barker, G. Ackerman, and A. Norris.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From American Society of Plate Engravers, enclosing dues from that organization.

From Journeymen Horse Shoers Union, No. 17, filing a grievance against Brennan Construction Co. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Painters Union, No. 368, inclosing copy of letter from Master Painters Association stating that on and after August 1, 1905, the wages of journeymen in the employ of members of that Association would be $3 50 per day. Placed on file.

From Carriage and Wagon Workers Union, No. 72, noting change of address in and office of new recording secretary. Placed on file.

The Secretary read the bond of the Treasurer, which was approved and placed in the hands of the Board of Trustees.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

The Grievance Committee reported progress.

Special Committee on "We Do Not Patronize List" reported that two firms had been selected for concerted action, and recommended that the Secretary cause said names to be published in THE TRADES UNIONIST. Concurred in.

Special Committee on Hod Carriers Union grievance against certain contractors reported conference had with the contractors and recommended that the matter relating to the McClure's contract be referred to Bricklayers Union, requesting that they extend their support. They also presented a form of letter which was to be sent to A. B. Stannard, bearing on the job he has in hand in the Department of Agriculture building. The recommendation of the committee in each case were adopted.

The special committee on Hamerstrom portrait reported that they desired an appropriation to cover cost of the portrait. On motion, the committee were empowered to expend a sum not to exceed $50 for the portrait.

Notice was given that an amendment to Section 18 of the Constitution would be presented at the next meeting, increasing the bond of the Treasurer from $500 to $1,000.

Adjourned.

Personal Mention.

Frank Morrison, secretary of American Federation of Labor, has returned from Atlantic City, where he spent part of a two weeks outing.

D. F. Manning, president of Retail Clerks Union, No. 262, has returned from Galveston, Texas, where he was in attendance at the convention of the Retail Clerks International Protective Association. Mr. Manning had an extended trip through the South, visiting New Orleans and the principal cities in Texas.

Death of W. E. Skelly.

W. E. Skelly, a member of Columbia Typographical Union, and also chairman of Sudwarth Printing Co. chapel, died on Sunday last of typhoid fever. His last illness was of short duration.

Mr. Skelly was a member of Potomac Council, Knights of Columbus, and also of the Royal Arcanum.

The funeral took place on Wednesday morning, interment being at Mt. Olivet.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

AFTER-DINNER DILATIONS.

A rainy half holiday is better than no holiday.

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The tendency for men's wearing apparel is toward stripes, running round, with little concern as to exact fit.

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There are 400,000 Mormons in this country—that is, there are that many who are willing to be known as such.

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These are times when the "little fish" look on with indifference while the harpoon brings the bigger ones to the surface.

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This is the season of the year when the country editor entertains his readers with thrilling snake stories and gives half-column "puffs" to those who lay the biggest eggs on the table.

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It sometimes requires a season of adversity to renew the faith of some trade unionists and to serve as a means of overcoming that self-centered interest which blinds the individual to his sworn obligation.

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Possibly the happiest period in a man's life is when he reaches his threescore year and friends gather around to assure him that he "doesn't look it." Then he feels that this is a pretty good old world after all.

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A couple were married in Mercer county, Pa., twelve years ago, but on account of paternal objections the wedding has been kept a secret all these years. They have only the marriage certificate as evidence.

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A man at present employed on Specifications is reputed to be worth $50,000. This is said to encourage new beginners, who seem unmindful of the advantages the "Spess" has over other Divisions as a place for saving as well as earning money.

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The Washington *Post* is especially entertaining when the subject suggested urges the editor to words of praise or eulogy. In its peculiarly felicitous style that paper last Sunday paid tribute to John D. Rockefeller, in part, as follows:

> If the fates had conspired to raise a figure as a mockery and a warning to the worshipers of wealth, they could not have improved upon this living and solitary shadow of a man, who must soon unclutch his hands from his money. John D. Rockefeller with his wealth is a pitiable figure. What will the memory of Rockefeller be—stripped of his wealth, judged by what he has done for his fellow-man, as all men must be judged? All too late he begins to perceive the failure of his success. With painful violations of lifelong habit he tears away a few millions and gives it to the world. The world jeers and mocks him. It cannot be bought. So his money is counterfeit. The old truth is ground into his soul that money will not buy happiness.

If Mr. Rockefeller should see that and then does not tear off a million or so and send it to the *Post* his eulogist could not be blamed if he should ever after refuse to mention the name of Rockefeller.

CYCLE.

Labor Day Outing.

The Central Labor Union will celebrate Labor Day at Bennings Park, Bennings, D. C., this year.

Committees have been appointed to look after the arrangements that will make it an enjoyable affair. Athletics will be among the attractions, including running races, egg race, sack race, and a game of base ball. The latter alone will be worth the price of admission.

The committee are busy, and the patrons may rest assured that their comforts will be looked after, and also that there will be something doing all day long to claim their interest and attention.

A full list of events will be published soon, including list of prizes for all the different races.

Make up your mind now to go to Bennings on September 4.

The price will be 25 cents, including grand stand.

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FOR THE EIGHT-HOUR DAY.

Reasons Why Union Printers Want a Shorter Workday.

John W. Hayes, vice-president of the I. T. U., was the guest of honor at a smoker given by Atlanta Typographical Union recently. In the course of a speech on the eight-hour day for union printers, Mr. Hayes said, in part:

"As to the old repeated statements that no reasons have been advanced why we want the eight-hour day, we will here set forth a just a few:

"We want the eight-hour day because we believe that the laws of nature require that everybody should have eight hours for sleep and eight hours for recreation, leaving eight hours as the natural workday and all that should be worked in justice to humanity.

"We desire the eight-hour day because the introduction of labor-saving machinery has brought about conditions whereby it is unnecessary for men to work longer hours in order to produce all that is necessary for the perpetuation of the human race, and because we believe we are entitled to a just proportion of the benefits of inventions which reduce the number of workers.

"We want the eight-hour day because it is known that a longer workday deprives a considerable portion of those people thrown out of work by reason of the introduction of machinery of the opportunity to secure employment, and unless some provision is made whereby they can obtain work they are forced to become either paupers or criminals and dependent upon charity or the prisons for their livelihood.

"We want the eight-hour day in order that our members may have time sufficient to devote to the study of economic questions at times confronting the American people, and in order that they may keep abreast of the times and be useful citizens to any community in which they may reside.

"We desire the eight-hour day so that we may be able to give our employers our best efforts for the full time we are at work and that we may not be compelled to work when physical exhaustion prevents this being done.

"We want the eight-hour day because we believe this is the limit of time that a man can work continuously and retain that degree of health, strength, and clearness of brain necessary to do justice to his employer, himself, and his family."

Knights of Khorassan.

The D. O. K. K. (Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan) has on its rolls many members of various crafts in this city. Only members of the order of Knights of Pythias are eligible for membership. The "Dokeys," as they are termed, are organized to enjoy life and promote good fellowship among their associates, while action is, in great part, dramatic.

Ascalon Temple, No. 81, of Washington, is one of more than a hundred that exists in the United States. In this city, as elsewhere, the organization is taking a front rank among the fraternities, and the ritualistic work is highly spoken of. It is expected in October, in the Pythian Temple, to send along the Khorassan journey the largest class ever initiated in the order in Washington. Thos. A. Bynum, of the Document Proof Room, Government Printing Office, is the present presiding officer, the royal vizier, and Will C. Deane, of the Bureau of Engraven and Printing, is the outer guard, satrap. The big printery is well represented in the D. O. K. K.

Just now the membership is looking forward to an outing at Marshall Hall next Tuesday, when the members and their families will enjoy the day. A match game of base ball has been arranged for between D. O. K. K. team and one from Columbia Lodge, No. 26, Knights of Pythias. Pitchers Singleton, of the Blanks, and Williams of the Pressmen, of the Printing Office League, are scheduled to do the twirling for the "Dokeys" and Will C. Deane, of the pressmen, is on the card to catch. It is to be a friendly contest between two teams of Pythians. Besides other amusements will be furnished—races and funny contests in the afternoon and prize waltzing in the evening.

Among The Building Trades

EDITED BY W. E. KENNEDY.

STRUCTURAL ALLIANCE.

At the last meeting of the Council the following officers were elected: John A. McDonald, president; John Piland, vice-president; Jas. S. O'Hagan, secretary-treasurer; A. W. King, sergeant-at-arms.

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STRUCTURAL IRON WORKERS.

This organization holds its next convention in Philadelphia in September. It is expected at this convention that they will perfect their "stamp system," which was inaugurated last April and effect laws that will increase the death benefits they now pay. As their work is so hazardous it is hoped this will be done. One hundred dollars is rather a trifling amount, particularly if the deceased has dependents, and most of them have. The Local here, No. 5, have elected Chas. W. Winslow, and Business Agent Biggs to look after their end.

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ELECTRICAL WORKERS, NO. 26.

Warm night—*hot* meeting.

Electrical Workers Union, No. 26, elected their representatives to their International convention, which is to be held in Louisville, Ky., the third Monday in September, at their Thursday night meeting.

The contest was quite spirited, but the "losers" were "good" ones, and expressed their belief that their Local would be ably represented in their choice, Brothers Kennedy and Nelson.

As the railroad fare of all delegates is paid by the International, it is expected that this "pow-wow" will be truly a representative one, there being nearly 500 Locals to be represented.

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CARPENTERS.

William D. Huber, president of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, has returned to headquarters in Indianapolis from a trip through the middle West. During his trip he visited the Locals at St. Louis, Kansas City, Burlington, Des Moines, Cedar Rapids, Davenport, Rhodes, Moline, Milwaukee, and St. Paul. He spoke at all of these cities to good audiences, and as soon as he returned to headquarters he hunted up a piece of red flannel for the outside of his throat and a lemon for the inside.—*Labor News, Terre Haute.*

Carpenters are requested to stay away from the following places. Owing to trade movements, building depression or other causes trade there is dull:

Portland, Oreg.; Los Angeles, Cal.; New York City, San Antonio, Tex.; Burlington, Iowa; Edwardsville, Ill.; Pittsburg, Pa.; Louisville, Ky.; Baltimore, Md.: Owosso, Mich.; Washington, Pa.; Wheeling, W. Va.; Nashville, Tenn.; Buffalo, N. Y.; Gulfport, Miss.; Fort Smith, Ark.; Red Bank, N. J.; Waterbury, Conn., Bradentown, Fla., and Washington, D. C.

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PAINTERS.

The growth of the Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers of America during the last year has established a record among organized labor bodies.

Principal among the factors making for the large increase has been the campaign carried on in Philadelphia and New York cities against the rival organization known as the Amalgamated Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers of America. This latter body was loyal to each of the cities, but comprised over 4,000 workers. The Brotherhood has been making earnest efforts to have these two bodies join with them, and about six weeks ago arrived at an understanding with the Philadelphia branch whereby 1,800 painters became members of the Brotherhood. Immediately an advance in wages was asked for and secured.

At present a deal is on between the Brotherhood and the Amalgamated Union located in New York City, which is expected to be terminated during the present week, and which will add 2,500 new members to the older organization.

Frank E. Smith, national vice-president of the Brotherhood, was in Pittsburg last week, and said that he confidently expected that the New York Amalgamated Union would come to the terms of the Brotherhood and join forces. The painters in that city are getting $3 50 per day, and as soon as the juncture is effected a demand will be made for $4 a day, with strong hopes of securing it.

When this juncture is effected the Brotherhood will have a total membership of over 80,000.—*Ex.*

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STRIKE ON UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The Steamfitters, holding a charter from the United Association of Plumbers, are on strike in Philadelphia on this building. Cause—employment of non-union steamfitters. It has not involved the other trades, but the Building Trades Council intended taking the matter up. The Steamfitters expressed themselves willing to join the United Association, so presume it is settled.

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INTERNATIONAL BUILDING TRADES CONVENTION. (?)

Notice has been received announcing the eighth annual convention of the International Building Trades Council, which will convene in Denver, Colo., beginning the second Monday, September 11, 1905, at 10 a. m.—*Ex.*

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H. A. Stemburgh, national secretary-treasurer, of Hod Carriers and Building Laborers Union, was in the city last week in an effort to adjust the differences exisiting between the Building Stone Laborers and their former employers, as also to appeal to the members of organized labor in the building trades to give them their moral support.

This the writer hopes will be given them, for no one in the trade here can say that the Laborers unions have not at all times cheerfully given whatever assistance they could when called upon, and "one good turn deserves another."

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A strike of 50,000 housesmiths all over the country has been averted.

The strike had been declared against the National Association of Erectors of Structural Steel and Iron, at the instance of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers. The latter Association had an agreement with the employers for a year which had expired and when the employers refused to renew the agreement it was decided to order a general strike.

Frank Buchanan, president of the Iron Workers, explaining the matter, says: "The structural iron workers had been getting $4 50 a day for eight hours, and only demanded a renewal of the agreement. Strikes had been ordered and every iron worker throughout the country would have been called out if the agreement had not been signed."—*Ex.*

The Miscellaneous Trades.

RETAIL CLERKS.

At the Retail Clerks' national convention, held in Galveston, Texas, last week, the report of the committee on laws was presented, and brought about much discussion. By a two-thirds vote the per capita tax of members was changed from 40 cents per quarter for men and 20 cents per quarter for women to 25 cents per month for all members. The old law of $100 funeral benefit was eliminated and a national sick benefit of $5 a week for twelve consecutive weeks with graduated scale of death benefits of $50 to $200 for membership of one to ten years was adopted.—*Ex.*

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LEST WE FORGET

and buy a *Monarch* shirt or *Arrow brand* collar—

The committees sent out by the Starchers' Union report excellent progress. Not one of the committees has expressed any discouragement. Labor unions in the cities in various parts of the United States have accepted the cause of the Starchers as a just one and have come forward with their support, both morally and financially.

Reports from these committees, accompanied by donations in large amounts, are being received by Miss Terry, president of the union.—*Ex.*

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"Compulsory eight-hour days—on Government work, *even* under contracts, constitutional," says Attorney General Moody.

Great Scott! and this gentleman has his office here in Washington, where they have been building the filtration plant for *three years*, working ten hours a day. And how about the Connecticut Avenue bridge?

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There are some union men who are not content with supporting a labor paper, but they degrade the cause of unionism and their own intelligence before sensible people by belittling the only resource they have of reaching the public in time of direst need. With such union men the same paper is the greatest thing on earth when their union is in trouble or when it scandalizes some one, or injures the business of the same man to whom the fakir stated that the paper was no good.—*Ex.*

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GEE-WHIZZ!

Wonder if these poor deluded people heard of our "Union Outfitters" store.

Plans are now on foot to organize a stock company among the union men of Chicago and open a large department store to cater to the wants of all friends of organized labor. The trade of the union people of Chicago is large enough to make the enterprise a gigantic success.

Union labor is to have its own financial institution in Chicago. The prospectus of the First Union Labor Bank announces that the stock subscription books are open. The metal workers and the machinists are the promoters of the enterprise, which, however, is intended to benefit workingmen in general. The directors will be elected by trades unionists and the profits accrue to the shareholders.—*Ex.*

But that's Chicago, *not* Washington, D. C.

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

"If ragedy man gibs you a watch, den you knows he lubs you," is a truism expressed by an old colored lady.

"Charley Bookwalter is running for mayor of Indianapolis" is a line THE TRADES UNIONIST can keep standing, for the reason that the party with which that well-known printer affiliates manage, since he got in the Carter Harrison class, to keep him in the executive chair of the Hoosier capital a goodly portion of the time.

"Your friend Governor LaFollette objects to six men running the Union, and neglects to name the other five," I remarked to Dr. Cowles. "There wont be any other five when he runs it," was the rejoinder.

I keep telling my audience in this column about letting women alone. The daily papers neglected to so state, but the downfall of Statistician Holmes was brought about by "a woman scorned." He made the usual mistake of not being off with the old love before he was on with the new.

My partner in crime, Brother Bloomer, in his paragraphs separated by asterisms, seldom neglects an opportunity to throw rocks at the *Evening Star*, which is clearly a sacrilege, the *Star* being as much a part and parcel of Washington life as the asphalt or the parking.

Charley Morgan tells of the ignorance and freshness of the street-car conductor. Seeing a lady to her home in Virginia, he inquired, "Which is the car to Vienna?" and was met with the reply: "I don't know nothin' 'bout no Vienna; I runs to West End." On another occasion, desiring to reach his place of business by whistle-blow, he asked, "Does this car make the Printing Office?" and was told, "Mister, we don't make no printing offices."

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NOTICE.

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FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

A private letter from George A. Tracy gives the state of affairs in San Francisco at the beginning of the third week of the lockout, inaugurated by the Typothetæ to compel a return to the nine-hour day. About 400 persons, compositors, pressmen, etc., were locked out, from which there was not one single desertion—which is a monument to the unionism of the Coast craftsmen. Up to that time the Typothetæ had utterly failed to get "rats" in that country and were scouring the Eastern cities and expending vast sums of money to get enough strike-breakers to man the offices. The first contingent arrived on July 14, from St. Louis, and of the party of 26 persons there were two women and three children, which left 19 men, after deducting the two men in charge of the party. But of these 19, of whom 14 were compositors and 5 pressmen, three were "card men" and 3 were hoboes of the worst type, which did not leave them much for their haul. But the union men of the party did some good missionary work on the trip—Frank Stretton, formerly of this city, being one of the three—and it was expected that all would be landed in the union fold except two incorrigibles and the hoboes, who are worth nothing in either camp. "Orator" Kelly, who was well known in Washington fifteen years or so ago, was one of the hoboes of the bunch, but has become such a victim of drugs as to be useless. Since leaving here he tried preaching for awhile before becoming "a hobo right."

The probabilities are that if anybody has a stock of "rats" on hand he will prefer to keep them instead of sending them elsewhere, and it is not likely that any considerable number of that class can be procured. Our San Francisco brethren have a bright outlook for winning a return to an eight hour day, the more especially that only sixteen offices are involved, and those by no means the largest, and as those which did not join in the lockout will probably be able to handle all the work of the city, the others will have to give in or permanently lose their business.

Tracy says that Herbert Steele is still there and doing well, and that big Ben Ferguson, who is on the *Chronicle*, is the father of a "bouncing baby girl." Tracy is certainly a busy man. In addition to being a member of the Executive Committee and the Auditing Committee, he is on the strike committee. Whatever time these committees leave him he puts in earning a living as an operator on the *Call*, where he has been for the past two years or more. He takes great interest in the machine question that is undergoing examination in the G. P. O.

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Charles W. Fear, of Kansas City, has sent me a copy of the Union-Label Bulletin of the Union-Label Committee of the Industrial Council of that city, which contains fac-similes of the various union labels and a list of the houses which sell union-label goods, and of the Union-Label Bulletin of San Francisco Labor Council, containing fac-similes of registered labels, stamps, and store and shop cards of affiliated unions, in colors, together with much other useful information. I regard the the Kansas City plan of advertising where union-label goods may be bought as far superior to the "we do not patronize" plan. Omaha has adopted the Kansas City plan, which Frank Kennedy, of the *Western Laborer*, with characteristic modesty and fairness, claims as the "Omaha plan." Well, it's a good plan; so what boots it who discovered it?

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An article by Elbert Hubbard, the *Philistine* man, on the parcels post topic, is going the rounds of the press, in which he quotes the story of Postmaster-General John Wannamaker when he was in office, to the effect that there are five insuperable objections to the establishment of a parcels post—namely, the United States Express Company, the Adams Express Company, the American Express Company, the Wells-Fargo Express Company, and the Southern Express Company. The sporadic efforts that have been made looking to the establishment of a parcels post have been neutralized in some manner, and as nobody has any real reason to oppose it except these express companies, one might be able to guess all the source of opposition in about five guesses. For several years the *Congressional Record* has teemed with petitions for and against it, the bulk of the apparent opposition being country merchants, on the plea that with a parcels post the department stores will get the greater part of their trade; but it seems remarkable that thousands of these country tradesmen should discover the danger all at once. I recently sent a pound package to Europe by parcels post, with most of the countries of which we have that beneficent institution, for 12 cents; but if I wanted to send it to Baltimore by mail it would cost me 16, and by express 25 cents, though on its way to Europe it necessarily passed through Baltimore. There seems to be some disposition on the part of organized labor to take up the crusade for the parcels post, but no great degree of success has attended its crusades against "vested interests," no matter how righteous its cause, as evidenced by the little progress made for Government ownership of the telegraph. The right of capital to plunder the people seems the most sacred of rights in the eyes of our lawmakers.

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What an inexcusable outrage it is that a money-lender should require the note-maker to procure an indorser of his paper, when one analyzes it. Jones borrows a thousand dollars from Smith, who insists that Brown, who gets nothing whatever out of the transaction, shall become responsible for the payment of the debt, of which Smith gets the profit. If you borrow from a bank, you must produce an indorser; but if you lend to a bank, who indorses the bank's paper? Nobody! It is true that individuals sometimes fail to pay their debts; it it also true that banks sometimes fail. Why should not the party who gets all the profits out of loaning money take all the risk of its collection when due? Why should a party who is entirely uninterested in the transaction be asked to assume the risk? The indorser ought to be discharged for responsibility on the ground of "no consideration." The fiction that the indorser is a co-maker of the note ought not to have a moment's standing in court.

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Which is the most valuable asset to the people of the United States—the employment of their own working people in preference to Mongols or the trade in coarse cottons and flour with the Chinese? It will not be hard to locate the sympathies of the class who are always on the lookout for cheap labor and those of the sickly sentimentalists who think the United States should be the haven of all the poor of the world except those who belong here. To the former class the acquisition of the Philippines, Porto Rico, and Hawaii is much more valuable for the cheap labor they bring under the "flag of the free" than for the possible markets they may furnish. It will not be forgotten that the chief argument against placing the gold standard in the Philippines was the Filipino had been accustomed to receiving a peso a day, which under the silver standard meant 50 cents a day and under gold would mean $1. The obstructions placed in the way of organizing the laborers of Porto Rico are too recent to be forgotten. The trade of no country is long influenced by sentiment, for those who buy do so where they can do so most advantageously, regardless of sentiment, and the boycott by the Chinese of American goods is but a sentiment. It is not the right of Chinese merchants and scholars to enter this country that China demands, but the right of its coolies to come here and work, knowing full well that the greater part of their earnings are carried to China. The American employer of labor is protected against the competition of cheap labor in other countries; the American workingman has a right to protection against competition on the soil of America from a class which can afford to work for a sum less than the American requires to keep soul and body together; but, most of all, the American people have a right to protection from labor that takes out of the country all that it earns. No country can prosper that does not employ its own laboring class in preference to others. The American workingman spends his wages in America for his subsistence; the Chinaman buys his rice and raiment in China. We can better spare the Chinaman's trade than endure the displacement of our own labor by Chinese, and that is all that China is clamoring for.

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A man of naturally mean disposition took stock of the attendance at the last Columbia Union meeting and reported to me that of the G. P. O. chairmen but two were present—Messrs. Gove and Morcock—and of the delegates only Joe Johnson and Harry Knapp. But it is only fair to state that Phil Steele was out of the city and that Mark Barnum was engaged in preparing a series of resolutions to present in the convention at Toronto.

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If the Government is in need of more revenue—and the considerable deficiency of the past year indicates that it is—it might well restore the additional tax on tobacco levied to carry on the Spanish war, and which, so far as the consumers are concerned, was never taken off. The way of it is this: Prior to levying the increased tax of 1898 manufacturers of smoking tobacco were required to put it up in 1-ounce, 2-ounce, 4-ounce, 8-ounce, or 1-pound packages, which ordinarily sold for 5 cents, 10 cents, 20 cents, etc. The law which increased the tax, in order to insure that the consumer and not the manufacturer would pay it, permitted tobacco to be put up in ¾-ounce, 1⅔-ounce, and 3½-ounce packages, which sold for 5 cents, 10 cents, and 20 cents, as the even-ounce packages had done before. But when the additional tax was taken off, the former law regarding weights of packages was not re-enacted, and the manufacturers have gone on putting up the war-tax weights, and therefore, so far as consumers are concerned, the tax was never reduced. The manufacturers are continuing to collect the war tax from the people, but are retaining it instead of paying it over to the Government. If you don't believe this, examine the first bag of tobacco you buy.

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One of my friends told me the following on one of our printer Elks, as occurring at the Œcumenical Council of that order recently held in Buffalo: The brother had had committee work or something that kept him out pretty late—in fact, it was 7 o'clock in the morning when he arrived at the hotel.

"Now, gentlemen," he said, "I'm going to bed. But, as a decent man, I'm going to take a bath first."

He retired into the public bathroom of the hotel, and as he was gone an unusually long time for even that great act of worship, a committee went to look after him. They found him in the tub all right, but with his clothes on and asleep.

"Poor fellow!" said one, "he was too tired to take his clothes off."

"Yes, said another, "but he ought not to be deprived of his bath."

So they turned the water on and left him to the enjoyment of its grateful and refreshing coolness.

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Why can't we have a beanery in this town—a place where, by the expenditure of 10 cents, one can get *some beans?* Beans make one of the most wholesome, solid dishes one can eat, but in most every restaurant here where they are served at all you get about a spoonful of nasty, molasses-soaked, ill-cooked, unsatisfactory imitations. A bushel of beans is worth about a dollar. A bushel contains 64 pints; a pint of beans, when soaked, is equal to a quart; so for all practical purposes there are 128 pints of beans in a bushel. A pint of baked beans is what I call "some beans." A dollar's worth of beans, cooked and served, would yield $12.80—a pretty fair profit and one that would warrant furnishing a little piece of pork or ham or corned beef with each order. I want beans.

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The local committee of Toronto Typographical Union having charge of the entertainment of the convention of the I. T. U., have honored me with a copy of the programme of the week, as follows:

Saturday, August 12: Receiving of badges, souvenirs, tickets etc.; also reception at Rossin House in the evening. Woman's Auxiliary reception at Rossin House parlors.

Sunday: Trip to Hanlan's Point; military band concert. Afterwards special boat will carry all parties attending the convention to Island Park for lunch, returning for the evening concert.

Monday: Woman's Auxiliary day. Car ride around city; thence by boat to Island Park for garden party, band concert, and dance in the evening.

Tuesday: Photo day. *Journal* correspondents meet in the Rossin House parlors in the evening.

Wednesday: Excursion to city of Hamilton, leaving at 1.30 p. m. Car ride around the city; then up the Incline Railway to Mountain View Park, where dinner will be served and band concert held. Returning, boat leaves at 9 p. m.

Thursday: Ex-Delegates' day. Moonlight sail on Lake Ontario by steamer Chippewa, leaving at 8 p. m., returning at 12 p. m. The concert band of the Forty-eighth Highlanders will give their entire concert programme on board; also orchestra for dancing.

Friday: Visiting city hall, normal school, Parliament, and college buildings.

Much information of use to visitors is given, including information regarding hotels. Those contemplating stopping at Niagara Falls are warned that the Niagara River line steamers do not run on Sunday, and such visitors should arrive at Niagara Falls Saturday morning and take the Lewiston boat at 2 to 6 p. m. Ladies are recommended to carry with them a cape or wrap, as it may be cool on the water in the evening. Committeemen meeting trains and boats will wear a scarlet badge. "A hearty Canadian welcome is extended to all—we will make you 'at home'" concludes the program. Hugh Stevenson is chairman and John Chinn (65 Albany avenue) is secretary of the committee.

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There will be a meeting of the male members of the proposed excursion party to Toronto at Typographical Temple next Sunday afternoon, at 2.30, to discuss the trip and make arrangements. It promises to be one of the most delightful outings ever planned in typographical circles.

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Just as the individual laborers have organized into groups to protect themselves from the perils of the "scab" employer the employers' federations, associations or trusts are nothing more than unions. They are organized to destroy "scabbing" among themselves and to encourage "scabbing" among others. The banded capitalist discriminate against a "scab" capitalist by refusing him trade advantages and by combining against him in a most relentless fashion. The banded laborers are no more merciless than the banded capitalists.—*Jack London in Atlantic Monthly.*

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First Division.

Comrade Brewer reported for work on Monday.

H. S. Gunn and wife are spending their vacation on the Eastern Shore.

Geo. R. Boone visited his home at Berkeley Springs, W. Va., during the week.

Voler V. Viles has charge of the bank while imposer H. S. Gunn is on leave.

W. D. Skeen has charge of the "Y" press room in the absence of G. W. Robinson.

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Who dropped the pay envelope on Monday with one of Bonini's advertisements protruding at the end?

W. H. Bright's leave having expired on Tuesday, he has been granted additional "holiday" without pay.

Wireless telegraph messages addressed to Frank Maloy, signed "O'Neill," appear daily on the bulletin board.

E. M. Root returned to work on Wednesday, having passed a portion of his vacation in Virginia. He received an ovation.

Chairman Templar is having a grand time up at Harrisburg, Pa., and in the Cumberland Valley. So says Colonel Bentz.

Among those going on annual leave this week are J. W. Clark, C. S. Elder, J. Fred Orth, G. H. Sehorn, Frank M. Thompson, Geo. W. Wetmore, and W. F. P. White.

Who was the star boarder at the lunch counter the other day that could not tell the difference between calves brains and fried oysters?

Another suburbanite, George H. Ball, has taken up his residence in Tenallytown. But there is no forty passenger limit on that car line.

James K. Wallace, maker-up, was the best pleased person in the Division upon returning to work on Tuesday morning. Congratulations, James.

Acting chairman Lillard "took off" Monday to collect the dues which footed up $200, as per Secretary Siebold's receipt on the bulletin board.

Chas. S. Gunn, of the Sixth Division, and one of the best known printers in the G. P. O., has been called to his home town, Champlain, Ill., by the serious illness of his mother.

Have you seen Delegate-elect Steele's convention card? The "grand old man" is not ashamed of his "hobby." Brother Steele will be heard in the Toronto convention.

The town of Skiatook, Indian Territory has been made a city, and A. E. Townsend, senior member of the firm of Townsend, Sullivan & Co., general merchants, elected mayor. Mr. Townsend was employed in the G. P. O. for a number of years. His friends will be pleased to learn of his prosperity.

Last Sunday's *Post*, in the Printing Office League notes, says:

> One of the most regular attendants is Mr. Fisher, foreman of the Library Branch, who always occupies the same position to the right of the stand, near the catcher where he can watch every move.

Colonel Fisher was foreman of the First Division for a number of years.

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Hiram Young, one of the best known citizens of York, Pa., passed away at an advanced age, a few days since, from the infirmities of old age. His son, W. L. Young, was an employee of the G. P. O. several years ago, having held cases on the Record, and latterly was employed in the Document room under Assistant Foreman of Printing Spottswood.

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Rules governing leaves of absence under date of July 15, have been promulgated. Leaves of absence will be granted to begin on Thursdays. All applications for leave must be in the hands of the foremen of the respective Divisions on the Monday morning previous to the Thursday on which the leave is to begin. Pay rolls for the persons going on leave, together with a slip receipt, will be sent to the different Divisions on Wednesdays for signatures, the rolls to be returned to the Cashier, and the slip receipt to be retained and to be presented at the Cashier's window when the employe appears for the amount due. Payments will be made by the Cashier on Wednesday between 3 and 4 o'clock. All persons to be paid must present in person their slip receipts previously signed.

ROUGH WRITER.

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Specification Notes.

The reduction in heads, ordered by the Patent Office, reduces the "phat" about 400.

F. C. Barker, copyholder on the *Gazette*, has purchased a house an M street northwest.

This week's patent issue is 828, including designs and trade-marks, the latter numbering 247.

J. M. Montgomery returned to work on Tuesday considerably worse for his recent mishap, but still in the ring.

Royal Pilsen Beer on Draught at R. A. Driscoll's, North Capitol and G street. Overholt whisky, 10c.

War Division.

> This bud of friendship, by summer's ripening breath,
> May prove a beauteous flower when next we meet.

J. Nat Steed has been summering at North Chesapeake Beach for ten days. On Monday last he visited Annapolis to witness the landing of Paul Jones' illustrious clay. During his absence Mr. Steed gained eighteen pounds. He says there is nothing like sea air and salt water as an antidote for hard work.

Now that the dog days have set in and a number of devotees of the Art P. of A. have gone on their annual vacations, the above couplet from the Bard of Avon suggests itself. As this Division is few in number, but full of energy, it does not often happen that there is anything doing in the way of news, and ofter an extended interim the TRADES UNIONIST is supplied with the following information:

H. P. McCormack, chairman of this Division, returned last week from Buffalo, whither he had gone for rest and recreation. He obtained both and was greatly benefited by his trip. During his absence Mr. McCormack visited Troy for the first time in twenty-one years, so in the vernacular of our laws and the evolution of nature the youngest male child who lived there at that time is now entitled to a vote.

Somewhere in New York State Ambrose O'Keefe is enjoying himself with the rod and reel. On his vacations he is ubiquitous in that he takes in as much of creation as is possible within thirty days. A card states that he was last at Lake George playing havoc with the finny tribe, but he may be forty leagues from there at this time, such is his ability to cover ground with the relish and enjoyment of an enthusiast.

W. K. Miller is back from a two weeks' vacation. He had gone to the Shenandoah on a fishing expedition, but on reaching there copious showers descended, which continued until after his departure, and as fish are obstinate creatures and object to being drawn through a clay bank to gratify anglers, he was beset by ill luck from early morn to dewy eve. However, he enjoyed his trip and is a paragon of energy by virtue of his outing.

On Saturday last, Frank J. Ward sailed from New York for Genoa, Italy, to be gone six weeks or two months. It will require two weeks to make the journey by sea. He will visit Naples, Rome, and Florence dur- his absence, and other cities as the inclination possesses him. Mr. Ward has gone abroad for his health and it is the devout wish of his many friends that he may be benefited beyond his most sanguine expectations. He is accompanied by Arthur Coykendall, of the Second Division.

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The most discouraging feature of reform work is undoubtedly the selfish and perhaps natural indifference of the average man to any remedy for social ills which can not be made immediately effective. Ninety-nine men out of every hundred are so engrossed with the task of making both ends meet in the struggle for existence that the burden of their present necessities smothers their sense of duty to posterity. Hence it is that the principle of trade unionism has taken such a strong hold upon the minds of the workers of the world. Trade unionism affords immediate relief and amelioration of the ills which society has brought upon itself, and in so doing it insures the ultimate success of social regeneration in general by giving workingmen more leisure in which to think and plan for the making of a better world for those that come after us. All genuine reform movements must of necessity be slow, since to be effective they must aim at the removal of causes rather than at merely minimizing effects. The causes which have brought about the present social conditions have been at work for thousands of years, and as the evolution of human nature is historically slow, their ultimate removal will probably require hundreds of years at least. It is evident, therefore, that trade unions are a public necessity in this age of the world, and that the trade union movement is in reality the first of the series of great movements which will eventually culminate in the complete emancipation of humanity from the consequences of its own follies and ignorance.—*Union Advocate.*

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Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 333 I street s w.

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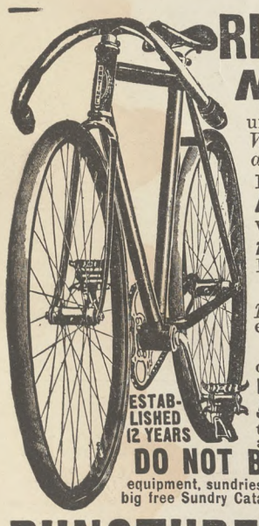

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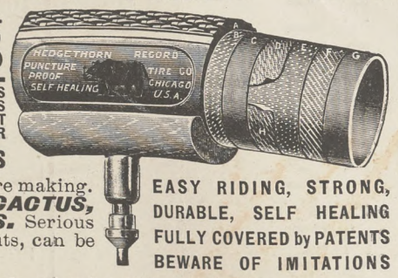

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Col. M. A. Lynch, superintendent of Gun Carriage Department, and family, are rusticating at Atlantic City.

The Naval Gun Factory Band, under the directorship of Professor Moody, gave an interesting concert in the Yard on Saturday evening. The principal number was "The Saturday Evening Holiday March."

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The "solar plexus" delivered by President Roosevelt to the employes of the Naval Gun Factory in answer to the telegram sent to him by International President O'Connell and the local committee, relative to an interview on the Saturday half holiday, had a demoralizing effect.

To such old timers as the writer, who never had sense enough to vote for the G. O. P. even when it would have been to his advantage pecunairily to have done so, the verdict was accepted philosophically as one of the fortunes of politics. But to those who last year spent their time and money to go home, not only to vote but to whoop things up for the G. O. P., the blow fell with crushing effect.

Experience has taught me the lesson that all learn who follow politics—that before next November, when the cry of alarm will again be sounded, the sore spots will all be healed, the scars will all have disappeared, and the faithful will again go home to vote for men who would not recognize them when they came to Congress. "What fools we mortals be." Such is politics.

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Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. of M., at its regular meeting Wednesday evening took up the question of the Saturday half holiday. Bro. W. H. O'Donnell, chairman Legislative Committee, submitted his report, giving all the correspondence between the President, Secretary Bonaparte, and the committee.

International President O'Connell was present and gave the boys an interesting talk. He was both cautious and conservative in his remarks, as he stated that experience had taught him that labor won most by diplomacy.

One of the features of his address was the scoring of the employes in the Yard who live on the outside of the folds of unionism, but at every opportunity rush to the Department claiming an audience with the officials as representing the employes of the Naval Gun Factory, when they represent no one but their individuality.

"But I am glad to state," said he, "that recognition is a thing of the past, and hereafter any committee visiting the Department must be accompanied by proper credentials showing that they represent a body of men and not the individual."

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ECONOMY.

Has Secretary Bonaparte adopted the slogan that has wrecked the Democratic party since the days of Buchanan. He has used it in diffusing the position of the Navy Department relative to the Saturday half holiday. If I did not know the Secretary's characteristics for cold facts and figures I might place him in the Depew catalogue of practical jokers. But to the contrary he is one that hews closely to the line. One that does not cry wolf unless he sees the brute; one that does not cry fire simply because he smells smoke. The writer was associated with him in Maryland politics many years ago and well knows his strict integrity and his determination for right and justice. Therefore when he uses the word "economy" there must be some foundation for such a statement.

It is no secret that there is a large deficit in the Treasury; necessarily we should look to Secretary Shaw to strike the keynote of alarm, but to the contrary the employes of that Department are enjoying the Saturday half holiday. All the other Departments are in the same category, with the exception of the Naval Gun Factory. This fact naturally causes the inquiry, "Why is it necessary for the Navy Department to take upon itself the responsibilities that should be divided among the other Departments?" Facts and figures accurately described are the basis of all calculations. Has the cost of guns, gun carriages, etc., manufactured at the Naval Gun Factory exceeded the estimates of the Department? Has the work designed by the Ordnance Bureau and construction under the supervision of naval officers proved a failure? Examine the last report of Admiral O'Neil, late chief of ordnance, and it will be seen that in his report to the Secretary he states that experience has taught him that the work can be done in the Naval Gun Factory for about 35 per cent less than by contract, and that no comparison can be drawn between the quality of the work. This is the opinion of one who is recognized as one of the best experts in the world on gun manufacture.

These facts being true, why was it that the Department saw fit to give out by contract nearly one million and a half dollars in guns, gun carriages, etc., when the work could have been done for one-third less and so much better? Was that "economy?"

There should be no sentiment in this matter, If the Navy Department believes that the present naval superintendent does not possess the necessary executive ability to conduct a great plant as the Naval Gun Factory on economic lines then he should be replaced by one fully competent.

I can not believe this theory, however, as from long association with the present incumbent as workman and foreman I have always found him to be one possessing great executive ability and one deeply interested in the quantity and quality of the output of the gun plant, and it is my candid opinion that if he had forsaken his present calling and adopted the profession of mechanical engineering he would to-day be receiving ten times the salary that he now receives as a naval officer.

If the two civilian assistant superintendents to whom are intrusted the supervision of the mechanical branches are not up to date in all that implies mechanical skill and experience, then from the great steel plants secure better ones if possible. But I doubt, and very seriously, that their superiors can be produced as mechanical experts in their own peculiar branch as gun builders.

If the great steel plants have better foreman, why is it that Messrs. Lynch and Robinson are continually receiving offers from said corporations to leave the Naval Gun Factory and engage wilh them at a larger salary?

That there is something wrong I must admit or Secretary Bonaparte would not issue the cry of "economy." It is safe to say, however, that it does not apply to the Naval Gun Factory, and yet we are the ones that are punished.

Why is it so? Who can answer?

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I have been asked why I do not attack the "Square Deal." I have but one answer to this question. I have been accused by my political enemies of every crime, possibly with the exception of being an anarchist, but have never been accused of being a fool.

I am no respecter of persons, but as an American I have the greatest respect for the office of the President, no matter who may occupy the chair, and when I arrive at that point that I deem it necessary to criticise the actions of the President, I will first sever my connection with the Government, but as long as I continue in that service I will never write that which might be construed as lese majeste. But I would not consider that I was doing my duty as a scribe if I did not state facts as they appear to me. I never, as yet, knew of a case, where to tell the truth affected an honest man.

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RUMORS.

That Foreman Smithson is the agent for a new flesh producer, fully guaranteed, or money refunded.

That Sergeant Watts has his annual attack of heart trouble again this summer. A dashing widow is the cause.

That Foreman Drummond has at last discovered the villain who soaked him with a hot sausage at a recent banquet.

That "Tuck" is again flirting with the girls on East Capitol street every Sunday afternoon. Don't feel bad, boys, as he confines his flirtations to maidens over forty.

That Col. Joe Laurence has applied to the "Fat Men's Club." Friend Robinson carried in his petition, but gave him no assurance of its acceptance, owing to his "heft." Joe is so awfully fat.

TIM TICKLE

A Correction.

To the Editors TRADES UNIONIST:

There has been much comment regarding my published statement that the rate of decrease in the Government Printing Office, due to death and resignation, was 5 per annum. This is an error. The rate of decrease is 5 per month, or 60 per year on an average.

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O. W. HUMPHREY.

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.10 p. m. on Monday, President McCarthy in the chair.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Stationary Firemen, No. 63: Michael J. Corkery, vice Henry M. Jett.

Grocery Clerks' Union, No. 533: C. A. Pfau, J. F. Smith, M. C. Graves, M. A. Eagan, and Fred McGivern.

The credentials were approved and delegates present obligated.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Bakers and Confectioners' Union, No. 118, indorsing placing of Warren & Dyer on unfair list, and a penalty of $2 being imposed on any member patronizing that firm. Placed on file.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE.

The Grievance Committee reported on case of John Lynch, blacksmith, 3219 Prospect avenue northwest, and recommended that he be placed on the unfair list. The recommendation of the committee was adopted.

The committee reported progress in case of Plumbers' Union against Connecticut Pie Company.

The committee also reported progress in case of Stationary Firemen against the *Evening Star* Publishing Company.

ROLL CALL OF UNIONS.

Horse Shoers: That grievance against Corby Bros. be withdrawn and Samuel Gaines' name be substituted. Request granted.

Hod Carriers: Requested the appointment of a special committee to wait on Mr. Stannard in connection with construction of new Department of Agriculture building. Request granted.

The Hod Carriers also asked that the secretary be instructed to send a letter to Frank Munsey relative to employment of members of their union. Request granted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The special committee on "List We Do Not Patronize" reported progress.

In discussion over unfair list the secretary was directed to place a display advertisement in THE TRADES UNIONIST publishing Peter Grogan, furniture dealer, and Samuel Artz, plumber, as unfair.

Delegate Weber reported from the Auditing Committee that a note given by the late Building Trades Section for $200 was in possession of the treasurer, and $100 was still unpaid on the note.

General discussion ensued over the matter, which resulted in a motion being adopted to place the note on the files of the treasurer.

On the disputed account of Hod Carriers' Union, the Auditing Committee reported that $9 was still due from that union. A motion to remit the dues was lost and committee's report adopted.

Receipts, $68 08; expenditures, $55.

Adjourned.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions on the death of the late William P. Skelly were adopted by the Sudwarth Printing Company chapel:

Whereas it has pleased the Almighty, in His divine wisdom, to remove from this life Brother William P. Skelly, chairman of our chapel; and

Whereas we, his fellow-craftsmen and fellow-employes of the Sudwarth Printing Company, feel that in him we have lost a true and faithful co-worker for the cause of unionism; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the members of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, and of the Sudwarth Chapel, over which his jurisdiction was, extend to his family our sincere sympathy in this dark hour of bereavement; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our deceased Brother and a copy be sent to the *Typographical Journal*, and THE TRADES UNIONIST for publication.

THOS. P. MALONEY,
C. C. CURTIS,
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Committee.

Printing Pressmen, Feeders, and Assistants' Excursion to Marshall Hall, Saturday, August 5. Games and amusements.

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

LINES TO BLOOMER.

That man is "great," and he alone,
Who earns a greatness not his own
For neither praise or pelf,
Content to know, and be unknown.

"Strong" is that man, he only strong
To whose well ordered will belong
For service and delight,
All powers that, in face of wrong
Establish right.

Bro. Patrick Henry Wilkinson, of E. G. C. Shop, has gone to Red Sulphur Springs for the summer. He is suffering with the white plague. Pat is one of the best boys that ever came down the pike, and we all wish him success.

J. Turner Moore, ex-foreman of Steel Foundry, was in the Yard last week looking as chippy as ever. About a year ago he exchanged places, showing the difference between the salary paid by Uncle Sam and outside corporations. Under the latter he is now receiving $4,000 per annum; and yet he was as competent under the Government as he is under a private corporation. He is now with the Trenton Steel Works.

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I have a sum in arithmetic for some fan to solve. It was given to me by one who thought I was the puzzle editor of the TRADES UNIONIST: "A and B were managers of their base ball teams. A bet B that his his team (A's) would make twice as many runs as B's team. A's team made one run while B's team failed to score. Who won the bet?"

It is dead easy, you say; prove it.

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I went down to the Yard one evening last week to witness a game of ball.

Finding a good seat I became so interested in the game that I took no notice of the environments. During a lull in the game I glanced about me and found that I was surrounded by a doctor, a druggist, an undertaker, a life insurance collector and a grave digger. Without commenting on the company I immediately moved to another part of the field.

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The Naval Gun Factory Band gave their annual excursion on last Saturday and was well patronized by not only the employes of the Yard, but by the music loving people who heard the band play so artistically last Friday evening at Stanton Square.

Marshall Hall was their rendezvous, and the committee, consisting of Messrs. Gilman, Marvin, Moody, McAllister and Bryant, proved equal to the occasion. Every one was pleased and showered bouquets of applause on Prof. Moody and his music producers.

Just think of it; such artists, and machinists at that.

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Speaking of Uncle Sam, I wonder how many readers of THE TRADES UNIONIST know its origin? For the benefit of the younger element I will give its history:

During the war of 1812 Samuel Wilson, of Troy, N. Y., was engaged in the packing business and had the contract for supplying the Government with beef and pork. He was everywhere known and spoken of as "Uncle Sam," and the "U. S." brand on the heads of barrels for the army were at first taken to be the initials of "Uncle Sam Wilson," but finally lost their local significance and became throughout the army the familiar term for the United States. Uncle Sam died December, 1855, aged 94 years.

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Col. Joe Lawrence, master mechanic of the gun shop, has returned from his vacation and resumed his usual vocation. He informs me that the sea baths at Atlantic City and Newport were so beneficial that his weight was reduced from 300 pounds gross to 299 net.

Venable, Lynch, and Atchinson, the three graces, could be seen every day last week promenading the board walk of Atlantic City. If there is any fun that these boys miss I would like to be informed.

Jimmy Mathinson, of the supervisory force, has returned from Oyster Bay, where he has been rolling in the sands as an efficient cure for rheumatix. He assures me his visit had no connection with the Saturday half holiday. He started for Bluemont, Va., got lost, and wound up at Oyster Bay; and Jimmy is a Jonadab.

Sam Bates, master mechanic W. G. C. Shop, is acting superintendent during the absence of Mr. Lynch. Sam is one of the boys who is always on the level and a mechanic that you can not hook up wrong.

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The Department has issued the following: "Wanted Sub-inspectors of Ordnance at $3 25 per diem. Examination at Washington Navy Yard, August 12."

Less than a year ago an examination for such positions were held in the Yard and a number of employees in the Gun Factory were appointed at a salary of $4.00 per diem. Some have resigned on account of the salary, preferring to work in the Yard at $3.30 per day, as the expenses of traveling, etc., were so great.

I can not understand how the Government can expect good material at such low wages as $3 52 per diem when such positions should be filled by the best quality in mechanics that can be produced in the Naval Gun Factory. But that is the Navy Department's business and not mine.

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As a Marylander, I naturally feel proud of the elevation of ex-Senator Louis E. McComas to the supreme bench of the District. While it is true that he and the writer have always been the opposite in politics, yet it is also true that he has been my personal friend, and during the many years of our acquaintanceship there has never been a difference in our social relationship caused by the fact that we were the opposites in politics.

Possibly there has never been two men in the State of Maryland more maligned than Judge McComas and Senator Gorman from a political standpoint, and yet in my opinion from a close acquaintanceship with both gentlemen there is not in that State two men whose personal character is more purer, whose integrity is more undoubted and who like unto Samuel of old can say when they appear before their Maker, "Whom have I defrauded, or at whose hands have I accepted a bribe?" It is refreshing to know in these strenuous days, when to be an honest man is to be lonesome, Maryland can point with pride to two such men.

I am not only proud of their record as public officials, but of the fact that I enjoy their confidence and respect.

TIM TICKLE.

A Sprinter From Yale.

From the New York Press.

A strapping young man applied to a Missouri sheep farmer for a job as herdsman.

"Had any experience?" asked the rancher.

"No, but I need exercise, and times are dull."

"Well, I'll set you to work in the mornin', and show you what hoss to ride."

"I don't need any horse. I was the champion runner for Yale, and can beat anything you've got on four legs."

"You can't corral my sheep without a hoss, for I've got a big range."

"Give me a try."

"All right."

At the end of the day's work he was much fatigued.

"You are all petered out," said the farmer.

"Yes, pretty tired. The sheep didn't trouble me a bit, but the lambs were hell."

"Lambs? I ain't got no lambs. This ain't the lambing season."

"Well, there are eight lambs in the corral, anyhow, and I had a sweet time getting 'em in."

"That's funny. I'll go have a look. Lambs, eh?"

They went to the corral, where, sure enough, there were all the sheep and eight—jackrabbits!

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Among The Building Trades

EDITED BY W. E. KENNEDY.

STRUCTURAL ALLIANCE.

A Local of this body has been recently formed in Atlanta, and its formation has received enthusiastic support from the building trades there. "Its arbitration and conciliation clause in its constitution should commend itself to all fair men," says a prominent bricklayer of that city, and further says "we expect great things of this organization, for it will bring the building trades closer together, etc."

These trades are no farther apart there than the building trades here. Let us earnestly hope that some of our men here in trades not yet affiliated will do some "thinking" when they read what is being done in Atlanta.

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TILE LAYERS.

This Local has had quite a lot of worry for a long time, owing to the fact that there are a number of Italians doing this class of work, and not employing union men paying its scale of wages. They get a large amount of work from builders who only consider the "price" in awarding bids. These Italians have frequently been invited to join the union, but frankly give their reason: "If we join your union we'd have to live up to its rules, pay its scale, etc.; we don't want to do this, as we'd lose a lot of work." Frank, isn't it?

The Business Agent (Mr. McVey) has called on quite a number of the builders and architects, and from several of them now has the assurance that on the contracts these Italians have they "will have to employ union men." It is "up" to the chairman of the Tile Layers now to take up a course of Italian in some school of languages, as he may have to explain unionism in that language.

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TINNERS.

The Local has arranged to make life in Washington pleasant for its visiting brothers who will come to attend the Convention next week. A banquet, as also some short trips down the river, is on the card.

The Grand Executive Board meet in the National Hotel on Thursday to go over matters that are to be presented to the Convention Monday next. It is rumored that their present grand president will not be a candidate for re-election. If this is so he surely must have a "hunch," for the majority of our grand officers love that distinction too much to ever voluntarily resign, and most of them are long livers. If you have got a G. P. who would resign Mr. Tinners, try and keep him; he'd be such a rarity.

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PLUMBERS.

All busy and still hammering at Mr. Artz, trying to make him "be good." Won't the union mechanics on the buildings where his men are working try to shame these men into unionism, as Mr. Artz seems to be case-hardened on this point.

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The master plumbers of Boston made a proposition to the committee of the unions to pay $4 a day after January 1, 1906. The committee made a counter proposition—$4 after July 1, 1905, and $4.25 on May 1, 1906.

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PAPER HANGERS.

General Secretary-Treasurer Skemp of the Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators, and Paper Hangers of America says the organization embraces between 55,000 and 60,000 members, adding:

The membership of our national union has been greatly augmented recently by the admission of almost 2,000 members in Philadelphia who were formerly members of an independent union which went out of existence after we took them in. In New York we have only just lately taken in a big Local of members who were outside for years. Our total membership in New York reaches over 6,000, and we are still increasing.

The Miscellaneous Trades.

NEW INDUSTRIAL UNION. (?)

The organization planned by Socialist and Socialist Labor party leaders was perfected at Chicago, but did not prove so formidable as feared. Its orators denounced the A. F. of L. and its officers, but left the grand labor movement in as good condition as it was before.

"The numerical strength of the organizations that were represented," says a writer who watched the proceedings throughout, "when compared with the numbers affiliated with the American Federation is so insignificant that no fear need be entertained by the adherents of the A. F. of L. of the possibility of a disruption from that source. The principal and strongest organization attached to this new movement is the Western Federation of Miners, with 27,500.

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CARPET MECHANICS.

This trade is still "hammering" at Peter Grogan. It does seem strange how this man, who derives all of his profits from the laboring classes, can not be made "good," and the writer is of the opinion that the energy displayed is entirely too spasmodic. The old maxim, "Learn of the ant ye sluggards," might be applied here by cutting out the word "ant" and insert "Bakers," asking Friends Schmidt and Weber how they "do things" to their unfair employers. Getting out circulars and distributing them among the delegates is good, *but not enough*, Mr. Carpet Mechanics.

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"LEST WE FORGET"

and buy a *Monarch Shirt* or *Arrow Brand Collar*, Hoisting Engineers, No. 77, reminds us this week, by one of its members who has "lost the address," looking up "who knows the proper person up in Troy to receive our contribution of $25.00." He found out quite easily. Considering the size of this Local, this amount is very generous, but they can and will do a lot more for most of them wear shirts, don't they McCracken?

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CARRIAGE AND WAGON WORKERS.

This Union concluded they wanted some new ways of "doing business," and concluded new faces could best do it. Result: Arthur Crow and A. J. Morrow keep the "bunch" in order for the next six months; Henry C. Stein "writes it all down;" Geo. Langhenry and Dan Clancy are going to bring order out of chaos with its funds, and Cornwell, Carroll, Morrow, Stein and Langhenry will tell the C. L. U. how it all happened.

A BIT OF ALL SORTS.

Fred J. Storch, of Saginaw, Mich., is doing a turn as a pressman in the Spess Press Room.

"Ajax" Benton's printing office column in the *Evening Star* weekly is being made quite a feature.

The addition of a couple of Chinese restaurants to "Swampoodle" lends quite a cosmopolitan air to the neighborhood.

Two recent weddings among the machinists—Messrs. Gibson and Getz—make those other two eligibles, H. A. Taylor and Alec. Douglass, think of taking to the woods to escape contagion.

Mrs. Amanda Gormley, of the Spess Press Room, is enjoying her thirty-day vacation. Although nearly 74 years of age, she is as sprightly as many her junior in years, and everybody is her friend.

"Pard" Bloomer, having vanquished all the daring scribes who ventured into the list with him, including "Belcherino," the versatile and accomplished "Maud S," has shied his castor into the ring. I see your finish, Maudie.

Charlie Schultie has been transferred to the War Department, Mike Flanagan says to sit on the lid while Bill Taft is away. I will back Charlie in a game of talk against all comers, but whether he is good as a sitter is another proposition.

The extra exertion necessary to get up the average in the Spess Division caused by curtailing of the heads has had a depressing effect even upon the sunny disposition of Louie Carroll. Haven't heard him tell a good story for a long time.

Miss Louisa McCoy, of the Spess Press Room, resigned on the 29th inst. Miss McCoy has been a feeder in this Division for about five years, coming from the Census Office. She is a most estimable lady, and all the employes wish her every success in life.

Jimmy Ward has returned from San Francisco, where he attended the Pressmen's Convention as a delegate from No. 1, of Washington. Reports a delightful experience and took in all the sights, including the exposition at Portland and the Printers' Home at Colorado Springs.

They use to tell of an old gentleman in the office who began all his stories with: "In 1803 when I left Leesburg, etc." And some people are now smiling at one rooster who holds a preferred sit, who, when talking to people who don't know, prefixes everything with, "Since I have been foreman."

Of all cranks the statistical crank is the greatest bore. Anything on earth can be proven by figures, even if they don't lie, which I sometimes doubt. Bill Brockwell tells of a bureau head of one of the Divisions of the G. P. O. who figured out how much the Government lost every year by the dropping of type on the floor by the compositors.

Billy Welsh, the popular little rooster who does the cutting for the Spess Division, accompanied by his popular little wife, has gone for his annual excursion to Atlantic City, where he goes every year and gets just as much enjoyment out of it as any one who visits that resort. Harry Kaiser is filling Welsh's place on the machine, but can't fill Billy's shoes in the affections of the girls in the room.

Billy Gardiner spent the greater part of his vacation in New York, making the trip by water, and reports the time of his life. Says there is only one Coney Island, and that it is becoming finer every year. The only former Washingtonian he ran across in the Great City was George Paxton, and Paxton's friends here will be pleased to learn that he has become one of the solid citizens of Brooklyn, with an interesting family about him.

I want to take off my hat to whoever is responsible for the band concerts that are given in the various parks of this city, in addition of those by the Marine Band, for anyone who will visit Judiciary Square, Lincoln Park, Franklin Park, and the other places where the bands play these warm evenings from 7.30 to 9 o'clock, and see the kids romping on the grass and enjoying life as only children can and will say that life is not worth living must be a crank.

How a man like Ed. Christie, of the Job Press Room, popular as he is with everyone, could pass fifty and some more years in single blessedness is one of the mysteries. I attribute it to his kindness of heart in that he hesitated to make choice for fear of hurting some one's feelings. But he told me some time since he was getting pretty tired of living all alone and was thinking—well, I'll tell of what he was thinking when I learn if what he thought produced any definite result.

These death-traps where the motive power of the street cars is changed from the under-ground to the overhead trolley are claiming victims with too much frequency. To my mind there is no necessity for allowing men to risk their lives in such places, but so long as juries can be found who will render verdicts exonerating everybody from blame in such cases as the recent one on H street just so long will the railroad companies fail to introduce the safeguards that can be installed to render human life safe in the performance of such duties.

The new *Times* building Frank Munsey is erecting on the Avenue is nearing completion and will be one of the finest newspaper buildings in the country. About ten years ago Munsey got into a wrangle with the Pressmen's Union of New York, and built a fine building for his magazine plant at New London, Conn., and moved up there. The Union got its jurisdiction extended to cover New London, and Munsey moved back to New York and turned the building into an apartment house, I believe. Since that time he has gotten along very amicably with organized labor.

I have it from pretty good authority that the *Star* people are disappointed with the result of their Sunday venture. I presume their experience is pretty much the same as that of the Baltimore *Sun*, the spreading of six days' business over seven days with the additional cost of an issue and no corresponding increase in business. I don't think there was any very great need for a Sunday issue of the *Star*, and I have my doubts whether they will ever be able to make it a very formidable rival of that splendid Sunday *Post*, of which the *Star* people have been very jealous for some years.

The Southern Printers Supply Company have in their new quarters on Eleventh street a really first-class, up-to-date printers' supply house, something Washington has lacked for all time. Under the able management of Mr. Seton Kent they are covering the local field and all to the south of here in an admirable manner, and their business has out-grown the quarters they have occupied for some years. Mr. Kent is publishing a handsome monthly, composition, press-work, etc., by a local house, that will compare very favorably with any of the printers journals, the title page ornamented with that little emblem of short hours and good wages—the union label.

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From private advices received from San Francisco it is learned that one of the largest book and job offices in that city has receded from its position to return to the nine-hour day, and has reinstated the union printers on an eight-hour basis.

The effect of this action will practically break the lockout in that city and will go far toward encouraging the I. T. U. in its effort to secure the eight-hour day in other cities.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

The twenty-nine years that are yet to come seem almost an unrealizable age, but the twenty-nine years which we have lived are but as so many yesterdays—a fact which is only appreciated by him whose shadow falls to the eastward, and who, while yet engaged in life's struggle, has lost the zest for it. With more of life behind than before him, he goes on philosophically, and, paraphrasing the poet slightly, he

> Yet nightly pitches his moving tent
> A day's march nearer home.

But a little of the retrospective hurts no one, though it does not interest the young as it does the older.

I have before me the annual report of the Public Printer for the year ending September 30, 1876. Mr. A. M. Clapp was then Public Printer, and his son Harry H., was chief clerk; H. T. Brian was foreman of printing and J. M. A. Spottswood was his assistant. Running down the list of employes, I find many who are yet in the harness, and a considerable number who are in other occupations. Taking them in the order in which I find the living among the many dead, and not attempting to give all of them, they read: C. M. Robinson, M. W. Mitchell, H. W. Gray, D. W. Beach, C. F. Gilmore, B. F. Barrows, W. M. Bass, W. S. Baker, H. V. Bisbee, A. F. Bloomer, Wallace Brewer, W. H. Brock, C. P. Brown, J. S. Burnside, R. F. Chisolm, A. Cottle, J. M. Craig, C. M. Cyphers, Samuel Ferrier, C. T. Harding, C. W. Henshaw, J. J. Higgins, T. W. Howard, C. T. Johnson, J. H. Kahlert, F. C. Kemon, W. M. King, W. H. Livermore, O. F. Mattingly, J. P. Morse, J. R. McBride, S. E. Mullan, W. R. Ramsey, L. H. Patterson, F. A. Rhoderick, W. L. Schmalhoff, J. A. Scott, W. C. Sefton, Oliver Shaw, M. V. B. Stevens, W. H. Sweeney, F. B. Wallace, E. M. Wheat, F. P. Wilkins, L. Woodward, Charles Spencer, J. M. Maloney, John Goodrick, J. E. Bright, G. W. Howland, W. B. Donaldson, C. C. Semmes, J. J. Heron, Byron A. Ford, G. M. Ramsey, William McFarlane, Charles Danenhower, C. J. Alexander, W. L. Pierce, C. W. Baker, J. G. Boss, J. R. Bradley, Theo. Hodes, W. A. Lavalette, Clarence Lewis, J. M. Montgomery, J. S. Ziegler, N. Watkins, M. Barringer, George A. R. McNeir. George Burklin, J. E. Ellegood, W. W, Stanford, J. P. Garner, William Kirkland, T. J. Alleger, J. M. Eggleston, E. C. Grumley, Joseph Silberberg, D. S. Walton, S. K. Young, J. W. Sherman, J. F. Grant, and A. E. Riddle. Of course I have made many errors and omissions, but all those I have given above are still in the service.

J. H. L. Eager, Levi Nagle, B. S. Platt, Jere Sterner, William Giusta, J. S. Mills, E. W. Oyster, G. F. Page, F. E. Park, E. P. Rhodrick, H. G. Ellis, G. W. Cox, E. B. Eynon, G. W. Furcron, W. C. Henry, and perhaps others are or were Government clerks of greater or less degree.

Dr. Richard Kingsman, and Dr. A. H. Taylor are practicing medicine and J. F. Scaggs devotes himself to the law. Maurice Joyce is engaged in engraving. W. J. Frizzell is handling real estate. Ed Morgan is in Pittsburg. Allen Coffin is practicing law down on Martha's Vineyard, Mass. A. G. Allison is in the drug business at Waynesburg, Pa. C. A. Conaty is a big, fat Troy (N. Y.) foreman. S. J. Phillips and W. E. Chase are reading proof in New York. W. S. Roebuck is publishing a paper at Bellefontaine, Ohio. H. L. Shomo bought a paper at Royersford, Pa. W. F. Randolph was for a long time an Asheville (N. C.) publisher, but is said to have become a professional secretary. G. H. Eakle is a coal dealer. T. K. Heath is in Danville, Ill. M. L. Littlefield is or was a suburban real estate dealer. J. G. McDowell lives near York, Pa. Steve Caldwell has the finest thirst parlor in Albany. F. Reamer is a post-office clerk. N. S. Adams was an inmate of the Union Printers' Home within a year, but has gone to work. L. L. Burke was publishing a paper in Illinois at last accounts. W. T. House was last heard of at Los Angeles (chronic "tourist"). C. S. Meyer is foreman of a big book office at Columbus, Ohio. Hamilton Platt has been for years assistant foreman of the Seattle (Wash.) *Post-Intelligencer*. J. H. Shively became a clergyman and a missionary to India; returning home, went into politics in Washington State and chairman of the Republican State executive committee. A. W. Webb is reading proof at Watertown, N. Y. M. D. Helm has been for years general agent for printers' materials. William Barnum is the chief clerk of the Carnegie Institute. James Bawn went to Philadelphia to become an alderman. N. Bunch is a city printers' materials and stationery dealer, or was. J. R. Risdon is raising chickens out in Maryland. A. S. Fennell is reading proof on the *Times*.

But this is enough. It will not satisfy the old-timers, and will annoy the youngsters.

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On Tuesday evening of last week, Robert E. Stenner, of the Third Division, received the sad news of the death of his mother, at Olympia, Wash.

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I received a letter from W. E. Shields the other day, and, as usual, it is full of news concerning the labor and political situation in Colorado. After serving a year as president of the Trades Assembly, he refused re-election, but has lost none of his activity in the labor field. While not enamored of the leaders of the Chicago industrial movement, he believes the time is coming when the A. F. of L. will have to take up that line of march or go to the wall. The coal miners have that form of organization now, and so have the printers, who claim jurisdiction of every branch of the composing room floor, including machinists, he says, and that is all the metalliferous miners have claimed, and through the enforcement of it they maintain good wages for all working in and around a mine.

Politically Colorado is still in a state of chaos, being subject to the rule of the supreme court, whose decisions are made from time to time as the corporations dictate. "We now have a double government in the city and county as the latest, and the decisions are leading up to declaring the whole Rush amendment unconstitutional, so that the public utilities franchises can be renewed against the will of the people. In effect the court says that the people can not amend the constitution of the State, no matter if this is done in accordance with the provisions of that instrument. So what are you going to do about it?

"After deporting the union miners in Telluride the mine owners imported Greeks, and then the Greek storekeepers came in and the business was on the bum for the Alliance men, who had driven the miners out. So last week all Greek miners were discharged, ordered to leave camp, and the Greek business men notified to close their stores and do likewise.

"In Cripple Creek the scabs have stolen over a million dollars' worth of high-grade orei n six months, and last week 47 cards were taken up, which means that that many scabs were ordered to leave the district, as they can secure no work without this card issued by the secretary of the mine owners. So you see there is a little retribution all around.

"A building boom is on in Denver, and as long as that lasts business will be good; but there are several thousand empty houses here and I do not see what the people are to do who are expected to fill them. It has been a good year for the crop of lungers also, and they bring in lots of money. Notwithstanding the kick against them, they are really our main dependence, for many of them are rich and have nothing to do but put their money into circulation."

He expressed his pleasure at the election of Joe Johnson and his selection as chairman of the Laws Committee. While the chairmanship is a matter for the committee itself to settle, there is little doubt that Joe "will be it."

"With the passing of Patton and Marston," he says, "I have lost two of the warmest friends I ever had. They stuck to me when I was in hard luck, and no one but myself and those for whom they did similar acts of friendship will ever know the breadth of their sympathy."

He said he had a pleasant call from Sam Culbertson when he was there; that he hears Carlos B. Tomlin is doing all right and working, and that Hubbard is also doing well as to health and making a living. He had expected Mrs. Nellie Wilson to visit Mrs. Shields, but for some reason she failed to arrive. He understood she was improving in health. He indorsed what I said about the Home not being merely for the destitute and as strictly a charity, and says, "You might add that the Home should not become mixed up in politics and its purchasing power used as a club to help those in favor or punish those in disfavor. Our per capita has to pay the freight in the end." He sends his "regards to any who may inquire."

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It has been proposed that Thomas W. Lawson should give away as large a proportion of his fortune as Rockefeller. How would it do for the pair of them to establish a fund to enable judges to afford to be honest in their decisions where corporations and labor are concerned?

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Our delegates to Toronto have had neat if not gaudy cards printed. That of Philip S. Steele contains a hobby horse, with the legend: "My hobby—8 hours." Joe M. Johnson, though, because of the amount of labor he will have to perform on the Laws Committee and the amount of time it will take, will not have much use for cards, has a modest one with the Allied Printing Trades union label for a background. Mark H. Barnum has a picture of the Capitol in a neutral tint. Harry C. Knapp's contains a facsimile of the eight-hour button.

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We occasionally have it rubbed in on us that books printed in the Government Printing Office are deficient in "style," but so far as my experience goes we are models of consistency as compared with the readers of any of the big publishing houses. I looked through a big Gazetteer the other day from a critical standpoint, and the only evidence I could find of a "style" was that the nicks seemed to be all one way. No two tables were set alike and the capitalization seemed to depend on the taste of the compositor. Another reader told me that he lately examined an edition *de luxe* printed by the great De Vinne, who is the one "master printer" to whom we all look up, and he found all sorts of inconsistencies in it of the class which are supposed to be the subjects of "style"—that is, right either or all ways except as determined by "style." One thing that militates against perfect uniformity in the Government Printing Office is the fact that many of the bureaus have "styles" of their own, contrary to that of the office, which must always have a confusing effect unless the copy is prepared in that "style" all the way through. General directions can never give the most perfect satisfaction. "Capitalize liberally" may be a direction, and may seem the greatest prodigality to one reader will be merely carrying out instructions to another. The next time you feel any doubt as to the unformity with which we do our work, go and hunt up a book printed by any of the big publishing houses—not a novel, of course—and investigate how much more uniform it is than we are in the use of figures, capitals, punctuation, head lines, and all of the little details that are comprised under the comprehensive term "style."

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Foreman Craig, of the great Hallenbeck publishing house, that so neatly prints our *Typographical Journal*, at Indianapolis, was shown through the office by Job Room Foreman L. C. Hay one day last week.

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A recent newspaper paragraph seriously lamented that frequently the great qualities of a man do not become known until he is dead. But it is perfectly safe to ascribe all the virtues to a dead man, knowing that, however untruthful and undeserved the praise may be, no one cares to earn a reputation as a hyena by combating it. *De mortuis nil nisi bonum* (Ax: "Say nothing but good of the dead") is an old Latin maxim. Even the ancients knew it was not safe to say anything else of them.

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Ex-I. T. U. President W. B. Prescott has a broad, comprehensive, well-tempered editorial on the eight-hour issue, headed "Peace or War?" in the August *Inland Printer*. He wants the Typothetæ to "get together" and discuss the question. It is always better for both when they get together. All the features of the *Inland Printer* are up to the usual standard.

A. F. BLOOMER.

Bookbinders' Ex-Delegates' Association.

The ex-delegates of Bookbinders' Union, No. 4, appointed at a recent meeting of the Union to make arrangements for the convention of the International Brotherhood of Bookbinders, which will meet in this city next June, met at Karlheim Villa, the summer home of W. C. Connor, the chairman, at Winthrop Heights, on Saturday afternoon, July 29.

The Association consists of not only the ex-delegates of Local No. 4, but all delegates who have represented other Locals and are now members of No. 4 are eligible. The membership is now fifty-one, and about forty will be active in the work of arranging for the convention.

At the meeting Saturday afternoon it was decided to have a banquet, an excursion, and trolley ride as part of the programme for the entertainment of the delegates next summer.

Karlheim Villa was formerly the residence of Dr. Z. C. Loomis. It is situated on a very high hill and affords a fine view of the surrounding country. The meeting was held on the large front porch, affording ample space for the thirty members who were present.

After the meeting adjourned refreshments were served by the host, and then all adjourned to the parlor, where a musical entertainment was given, participated in by Charles McEnaney, Ben Spellbring, Leroy Gaddis and son, James E. Cogan, W. B. Hyde, Joseph Van Overmeer, John M. Touey, W. C. Connor, Edward Cantwell, and by Mr. Connor's trained collie dog, "Shamrock."

The comic singing of Jim Cogan and the violin playing of young Gaddis were especially pleasing.

As the meeting combined business and pleasure, it was argued that the place selected was an ideal one for such purposes, and the chairman was given a vote of thanks and three rousing cheers, and at 6.30 the session adjourned to meet at the call of the chair.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

Work is what we want.

J. Fred Orth and family are at Atlantic City, N. J.

George R. Boone is enjoying Atlantic City breezes this week.

Where did you get that hat?" Respectfully referred to S. S. P.

Comrades Barringer and Lawlor have returned from their leave.

T. Frank Morgan is acting postmaster, cutting dupes, etc., this week.

John H. Butler has gone to California on a midsummer trip while leave-taking.

Hope Congress will convene in extra session before the regular date in December.

Don't "bump" your fellow-workman, but if you must, "bump" as easy as possible.

Modern Woodman Day will be celebrated at Marshall Hall, Wednesday, August 9.

Your First Division patrons were delighted to receive their TRADES UNIONIST so promptly last week.

Chairman Templar was granted three additional days permission to remain up the Cumberland Valley.

V. B. Pinkston, employed in this Division for a number of years, has been transferred to the Navy Division.

From the time slip on the bulletin board we should infer that the chairman, or acting chairman, must be an expert accountant. It has been signed by Secretary Seibold, hence is officially correct.

Messrs. Horace Cranford and H. M. Towner and Comrades E. D. King and William McFarlane are on the sick list this week.

We almost blushed the other day when one compositor asked another "if his coat was not plucked before it was ripe?"

Kinsey Brewer, of Assistant Foreman Spottswood's room, reported on Monday after thirty days leave. He came in smiling.

Others returning from leave were R. A. Johnson, E. Coleman, P. M. McCullum, Frank M. Lloyd, R. L. Davidson, and W. N. Darden.

Since the expiration of his leave S. M. Milburn, of this Division, owing to sickness, has been unable to report. By the way Sam is a good laborer.

After a three-days' outing over in the Keystone State, one of the most popular printers in the G. P. O. has returned to our Division much improved. Guess who? We will whistle.

On Monday morning George L. Schoeneman and John W. Sherman returned to work on the "Y" after several weeks' sickness. We are all glad to see them again and hope they are perfectly well.

Our well known imposer, Wm. McFarlane, whose leave expired on the 30th, was sick and unable to report. 'Tis bad enough to be sick and have leave due, but to have enjoyed all your leave and then get sick is discouraging.

Did you notice the cleanly appearance of our composing room on Monday? Our "sawdust" artists gave it a thorough sanitary cleaning after "all hands" stopped on Saturday. And the orator from North Carolina, Simon Pocher, absent on leave.

Acting Chairman Lillard passed a subscription paper around on Monday for the relief of a Sixth Division linotype operator, Frank E. Pyne, who recently underwent a surgical operation. It was generously patronized, as all similar charitable passers are when the cases are deserving.

After an extended trip, which included Alexander Bay, Colonial Beach, and other famed summer resorts, Mr. Joseph Dierken, of the office of Foreman of Printing Ricketts, returned to his desk on Tuesday, the very picture of perfect health.

Office hours for visitors to the G. P. O. are from 10 a. m. to 12 m., and from 1 to 2 p. m. As it requires almost two hours to make the trip, punctuality in "starting" is very desirable. We have the finest and most intelligent guides in the employ of Uncle Sam.

Among the members of the National Guard employed in this Division who will perform military duty up at Harper's Ferry we note: Will H. Chase, L. D. Brandon, George G. Wilson, S. Th. Westdal, E. Coleman, T. J. Coles, C. G. Perry, and Corporal R. N. Carter.

Treasurer Jones, of G. P. O. Council, No. 211, has received draft No. 7225 for $2,000 in payment of the claim of our late fellow-workman, George A. Plummer, a beneficial member of the National Union. The same has been forwarded to Mrs. Plummer in her Minnesota home.

Among those who began their annual leave this week were Messrs. Fred. W. Follett, W. J. Delano, James T. Ray, J. C. Shinnen, Horace Cranford, E. S. Wild, A. W. Bentz, George A. Tuttle, C. P. Peake, T. E. McCardell, F. W. Kern, Wiley H. Davis, Henry W. Gray, and Frank Burnside—14.

"Honest John" O'Neill reported for work on Tuesday, after an extended leave of several weeks, during which time he visited the scenes of his childhood in Ireland. It is thirty-one years since Mr. O'Neill first landed in America. He received a cordial greeting upon his return, and says "he had the time of his life" during the trip.

Maj. James S. Michael, a prominent and successful business man of Manila, P. I., paid us a brief visit during the week. Mr. Michael, who is a brother of Colonel Michael, of the State Department, was a clerk in the G. P. O. during Public Printer Palmer's first administration. As this is purely a business trip it will necessarily be brief. He has presented his lifelong friend, Comrade Jake Covert, with a unique pair of sleeve buttons purchased in Japan.

This Division can boast of a candidate for champion mean man. During the past week a patent medicine concern distributed samples of its wares to the employes of this Division. A number were thrown aside, but later one of the younger married men was observed making a collection of them. He was asked if he expected to take the medicine himself. "Oh, no!" he quickly replied, as an expression of horror passed over his countenance, "I am taking it home for my mother-in-law."

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At the close of the regular meeting of the G. P. O. Council, No. 211, National Union, in Pythian Hall, on last Saturday evening, an informal musical entertainment and smoker took place.

The entertainment was under the direction of Speaker James L. Graves, and the participants were members of the B. C. C. Quartette, composed of Messrs. Thornton, Powell, Shackleford and Middleton.

A delightful feature was the illustrated songs by Messrs. Thornton and Shackleford. Accompanist, Mr. Oppenheimer.

The seventy members present, together with the Cabinet representatives, were highly pleased with the excellent programme. Ice cream, cakes, and cigars were served during the intermission.

ROUGH WRITER.

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Sixth Division.

During the absence of Chairman Hayden, "Caesar" Giles is it.

Vice-President Wm. R. Love, of the First, will be among the visitors at the Toronto convention next week.

'Gene Smith (there's only one) has parted with his mustache. He looks like a "before taking" picture now.

And so Delegate-elect Joe M. Johnson has been appointed a member of the I. T. U. laws committee. Congratulations, Brother Johnson.

J. F. McLennan (Merg. 14) started on his vacation today. "Mac" will visit relations in Michigan, New York City and other places before returning.

One machinist, nine operators, and three helpers from this Division belong to different organizations in the National Guard. Who dares say "tin?"

Harpers' Ferry may be safe while the D. C. militia is present, but I wouldn't give much for a stray chicken's chances to survive the encampment period.

Frank E. Wright returned to his Merg. (31) last week. During the thirty days he has been absent he has been entertaining his father, who hails from Indiana.

Back from almost ninety days spent in Texas, came B. L. Stidham on Tuesday and resumed his labors in this Division. Stid. looks as well as a corn-fed Texas steer.

I am told that Shelby Smith visited this city over Sunday. There is no use, gentlemen, to complain. So far as the law is concerned, Shelby is certainly entitled to that privilege.

Foreman John R. Berg contemplates attending the Toronto convention. As president also of one of the largest Typographical unions in the country Mr. Berg will command marked attention.

Copy Collator Charles Ellis and Helper R. H. Clouser are back from their summer vacations. Mr. Ellis and family enjoyed life at Colonial Beach, while Mr. Clouser and family visited in Pennsylvania.

C. J. Sheriff is again hammering at the keyboard of Merg. 34. The past ninety days have been spent away up in the Northwest, and he returns to Washington fit to enter the ring as a middleweight.

The news that Frank E. Ryne, of this Division, who recently underwent a severe operation, is not recovering as rapidly as was at first expected, will be sadly received by his many friends. If good wishes will assist him he will soon be around.

The rumor going the rounds occassionally that certain foremen have resigned or will resign should not be taken too seriously. One does hear once in a while of a printer getting foolish and quitting, but a foreman—well, I guess not.

Joseph A. Dries, of this Division, was a caller on Monday. Mr. Dries is recovering from a severe attack of typhoid fever which placed him in the hospital some few weeks ago. He now wears a bunch of whiskers that would make a Russian curious.

Lieut. Ed M. Nevils, of the Battery, leaves for camp this week with a severe affliction of the throat. The hope of the battery boys, however, lies in the fact that Johnnie Stowell will be present in case of emergency. Those who know Johnnie know the power of his voice.

C. B. Barnhart (Merg. 13), who is at present on leave owing to illness, recently received word of the death of his mother at her home in Crawfordsville, Ind. Mrs. Barnhart had but recently returned to her home from a visit to her son in Washington.

They tell me that that little entertainment given by G. P. O. Council, National Union, in Pythian Temple on Saturday night was "something on a stick." But that is nothing for G. P. O. Council. They never do do anything but what is pretty near all right.

Frank Hall, of the Third Division, has been elected secretary-treasurer of the Washington Credit Association vice R. M. Cheshire, resigned. That little engraved signature which Mr. Hall had made when he ran for delegate will come in pretty handy after all.

The two Sixth Division Elks, Balsey F. Sauter and Claude E. Pendarvis, returned to work last week after attending the Buffalo convention and a visit to the seaside. The gentlemen parted with the new $20 bills which they wore as badges during the parade shortly after the parade was over.

During my absence for the past two weeks attending the bedside and funeral of my mother, at my home in Illinois, I find the force has been increased by the following gentlemen, who were members of the Sixth Division force last winter: Edward Nash, Charles F. Mullen, Louis Vogt, John Adams, Winslow Lewis, and W. V. Smith.

James M. Weaver, at one time of the State Branch, later of the First, last winter in this Division, and at present of the Fourth, an all-round union politician of the first degree, will meet with the boys at Toronto during the I. T. U. convention. James' renown as a politician comes from the fact that he is generally on the losing side.

Owing to a discovery by some wise bird that Specification type is under standard measure, I understand the good sisters and brothers from that Division are now compelled to set 800 type per day more than heretofore. Good brothers and sisters, have hope. There will come a time, some day, when all that work will be done by machinery. Maybe.

Looking over a recent copy of THE TRADES UNIONIST I find that my great and good friend, Delegate-elect Mark Barnum, failed to attend the last meeting of the Union because he was busy framing resolutions for presentation at Toronto. All this could have been avoided by applying to Joseph E. Goodkey, who has a number already prepared and who I am sure would loan them to anyone prepared to use them.

During my absence from the city I am told that there appeared an article in the Washington *Post* signed "Chas. S. Gunn," in which the colored man was given several raps of a severe character. If there is another Chas. S, Gunn in the country he has my sincere sympathy, and a perfect right to his opinion on any question, but I do hope if he writes any more for Washington papers he will designate himself in some way so that I may not be considered as the writer.

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His stalwart proportions and his step free and bold,
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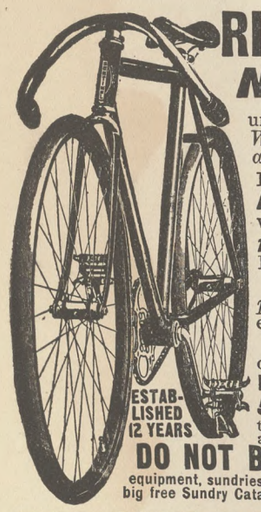

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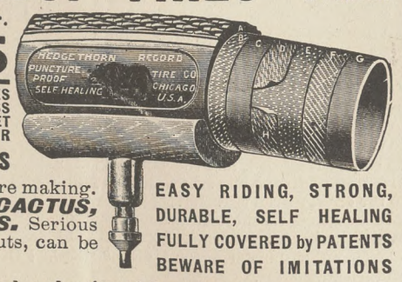

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Treasury Branch.

Theodore Refer, our Baltimore pressman, is on leave.

Miss Alice M. Simpson, of the Folding Room, is on leave until August 1.

John R. Brown and wife are visiting his wife's relatives in and near Hagerstown.

James Willis, Edwin Collar, and J. H. Wynne recently returned from leave.

W. Brice Coston and wife are sojourning at the Delaware Water Gap for three weeks.

Mrs. Susie C. Carlisle is spending her month's leave with her parents at Gaithersburg, Md.

Miss Mary B. O'Toole returned last week from two weeks leave, spent very pleasantly at Blue Ridge Summit, Pa.

Assistant Foreman Gaylor, wife, and son left the city August 1 to spend several weeks in the country near Harper's Ferry, W. Va.

John Mulroy is putting in the month of August at Colonial Beach enjoying the sports of which he is so fond—boating and fishing.

Fletcher Bowden, several years ago an employe of this Division, now working on Specifications, was a welcome visitor Monday.

L. H. Burton and E. T. Stephenson are encamped with the District National Guard at Harper's Ferry, W. Va., for ten days.

John T. Williams was transferred from the Main Press Room to this Division Tuesday morning. John worked here about two years ago.

Chas. M. Evans and family are at their old home in Annapolis, Md., for two weeks, enjoying the cool salt breezes from the Chesapeake Bay.

T. F. McKeon and wife, who have been visiting New York and Atlantic City for fifteen days, returned Monday. They made the trip to New York by sea.

Miss Annie Leonard is visiting friends in St. Marys County, Md., at a point near the Potomac River, where she can enjoy boating and other river sports.

Theophilus McClure and wife are spending a month in Chicago, Ill., with relatives and friends. W. H. Moss is filling his place at the proof press during his absence.

Chester A. Hassel, ruler, who was transferred here several days ago from the main office, is now on military duty at Harper's Ferry with the District National Guard, and George H. Hassel has been detailed to fill his place.

Maker-up George H. Healey has taken his entire leave and started with his family last Sunday afternoon for his home in Indiana, intending to linger enroute for a few days at the White Sulphur Springs, W. Va. Business interests in his native city will probably cause him to extend his absence thirty days beyond the expiration of his regular leave.

Col. Wm. A. Whitney spent a week in Canandaigua, N. Y., in July, whence he was called on account of the illness of his sister, who was taken sick while there on a visit, but who is now rapidly recovering. The Colonel formerly lived in Canandaigua and this was his first visit there for seventeen years. He thinks it is one of the prettiest little cities in this country.

Miss Mary G. McMahon, daughter of T. McMahon, formerly of this Division, assisted by Misses Florence E. Hite and F. K. Hayden, all of Columbus, Ohio, are drawing the plans for a new Ohio State University building. Miss McMahon is a graduate of the University, an architect of considerable ability, and there is no doubt but what her efforts will be crowned with success.

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Bindery Notes.

It's hard to choose between Kappler and Brown.

Samuel Childs is spending his leave in Alexandria.

The G. P. O. Bindery will be well represented at camp this week.

The Cowboys and Foundry are the strongest teams in the League.

Joseph Duffy has gone to New York to spend two weeks with friends.

Capt. John Fredericks and wife are spending two weeks at Atlantic City.

Sergeant Moore is making many friends by telling the boys they will not have to work more than six to nine hours a day.

The Cowboys will only have to win three more games to win the pennant.

Frank Merides left on a six weeks' trip abroad, where he will visit England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales.

The Printing Office League are putting up good baseball, which is shown by the large attendance each evening on their grounds.

When the tin soldiers return from camp and tell their hard luck and sham war stories, the old soldiers will have to take a back seat.

COWBOY.

AFTER-DINNER DILATIONS.

Right is wronged when wrong is excused.

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A genuine "square deal" is where the deal goes around.

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There's something wrong with that conscience which is not disturbed until guilt is exposed or made public.

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The greatest opposition to trades unionism comes from those who claim the right to fix both the price of labor and the price of the thing which labor produces.

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The capitalists combine for the money there is in it, but recommend that labor shall combine only for its health, or just enough to care for the sick and disabled.

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When it was announced that everybody on Specifications would be required to work the day through last Saturday, the entire force put on their coats and walked out—at 4.30.

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Some little surprise was expressed that a case holder on the "Spess" is $50,000 to the good. It is now stated that a gentleman employed in the bindery is worth $75,000. The charwomen are yet to be heard from.

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If the edict should go forth that all able-bodied men would henceforth be required to work eight hours a day, the protest would not come from those who claim exemption by reason of the fact that they "work" the workers that they themselves may not work.

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The investigation of the Equitable Life Insurance Company has progressed far enough to show that the name was not the only "taking" thing about it. The "policy" of the company seems to have been to secure sufficient funds for its officers to E(ach)-quit-able.

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Some day those "divinely appointed" guardians who now have a monopoly possession of the gifts of nature will be called upon to relax their grip or surrender altogether. There is an impression now undergoing the process of percolation which seriously threatens this assumption of "divine inheritance" by the few while the many suffer.

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The data is not at hand to accurately state the difference by comparison in other Divisions, but the number of hand compositors on Specifications now exceeds by half the number required when the piece system prevailed. The volume of work would probably show a like ratio of increase. It is not believed that any considerable number would choose to return to the piece system.

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Frequently some poor tired soul with a thirty-day leave seeks information as to the best place for midsummer vacation. For the benefit of such the following list of fashionable resorts has been carefully prepared, and is submitted with the hope of performing a real service to those who feel they must find rest somewhere, but don't know which way to go for it:

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LABOR DAY COMMITTEE ACTIVE

Credentials Received—Representative Jenkins Indorsed—Local Laundries Doing Work for Cluett, Peabody & Co.—Grievance Committee Doing Good Work.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.10 p. m. on Monday, President McCarthy in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Bakers' Union, No. 118: John B. Schmidt, John Weber, Victor Leykin, A. L. Wieser, and Fred Hanold.

Paperhangers, No. 420: Messrs. Banes, McBain, Ashley, Hoffman, and Douglas.

Theatrical Protective Union, No. 22: Leonard Rubel and Charles A. Rodier, vice D. R. Allen and Joseph P. Shilling.

The committee having reported favorably on credentials presented, the delegates present were obligated and seated.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Stationary Firemen, No. 63, stating that a fine of $5 would be imposed on any member of that Union found patronizing The Peter Grogan Company, and inclosing copy of letter sent that firm, notifying them that members of No. 63 would refrain from patronizing the firm until differences now existing between the said firm and Carpet Mechanics' Union, No. 1, are adjusted. Placed on file.

From Carriage and Wagon Workers' Union, No. 72, stating that action looking to assistance of Carpet Mechanics' Union, No. 1, in its fight against The Peter Grogan Company had been taken by that Local. Placed on file.

From Brockton Central Labor Union, Brockton, Mass., calling attention to unfair attitude of Walter Baker & Co., cocoa and chocolate makers, in using packing boxes made by Atwood Bros., of Whitman, Mass. Referred to special committee to visit dealers in this city and ask that product of Walter Baker & Co. be not sold until differences with organized labor is adjusted; also that Retail Grocery Clerks' Union ask their members not to push the sale of this non-union product.

From Badge and Lodge Paraphernalia Makers' Union, No. 9136, A. F. of L., calling attention to their organization, and giving list of union shops in St. Louis, Mo. Placed on file.

From Robert G. Wright, Denton, Tex., inclosing copy of letter from Federal Labor Union, No. 11366, stating that Mr. Wright is helpless and a cripple entitled to consideration. Placed on file.

From Electric Workers, No. 26, stating that No. 26 had indorsed Representative Jenkins for the position of Secretary of Commerce and Labor, and that its delegates to the Central Labor Union were instructed to endeavor to get like action from the Central Labor Union. The report was granted.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE.

The Grievance Committee reported progress on case of Golden & Co. On motion the whole matter was recommitted to the committee and a joint committee of Engineers Union and Butcher Workmen ordered to work on case.

ROLL CALL OF UNIONS.

Brewery Workmen: Secretary Winslow reported that he had visited the National Capital Brewery relative to placing the label on the product of that plant. A delegate stated that orders had been issued by Mr. Carry to have the label placed on the product of the brewery.

Bartenders: A delegate desired information as to case of A. Cohen. The chairman of the Grievance Committee gave the desired information.

Hod Carriers: The Secretary stated that the Geo. A. Fuller Co. refused to employ members of Hod Carriers Union, and asked that the matter be referred to the Grievance Committee.

Stone Laborers: Reported that non-union laborers were employed on new addition to Washington *Post* building, and requested that Mr. Wilkins the owner, and Mr. Prescott, the contractor, be communicated with relative to the matter. Request granted.

Painters: Delegate inquired if a contract was in existence between the Central Labor Union and Samuel Maddox. Referred to the Contract Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Vrganization Committee reported progress on case of withdrawal of Musicians Union, and requested that officers of the Central Labor Union act in conjunction with committee and visit Musicians' Union to explain status of the case. Request granted.

The Organization Committee also reported that they desired an addition of five members to aid in organizing the laundry workers in this city. Request granted and committee appointed.

The committee also stated that Cluett, Peabody & Co. were sending work to laundries in this city, and on motion the Secretary was directed to communicate with the various laundries relative to the matter.

The Labor Day Committee reported progress.

A response to an inquiry relative to music for Labor Day led up to a discussion that took a very wide range and was more or less protracted, when a motion to adjourn intervening during the discussion, the motion was adopted.

Labor Day Outing.

The Central Labor Union this year will again endeavor to maintain the established record of progress and up-to-date methods won in years gone by. Its patrons and friends will be given first-class automobile races, five in number, the best machine to take the plate, a handsome cup. There will be a second prize also, which will be a cup.

The committees are energetically at work and will endeavor to make this the banner outing. It is unnecessary to introduce the Benning Race Course to the citizens of this city.

The appointments are first-class and the comfort of all who come is assured. No crush on boats; don't have to wait to go home until late at night, and then have a crowd, practically uncontrolled, to make all uncomfortable. All improper persons will be denied admission, and ample police protection will be given, so that it will be perfectly safe to send the little folks in care of a nurse. The car service will be all that could be desired and will run with frequency and regularity.

Bicycle races a few years ago were a great attraction, and it will be a feature of the day; likewise the moter cycle is with us. A race for those machines has been arranged.

The ever popular race requiring skill and nerve will be held for ladies, and all who desire to enter can do so. No other requirements than skill in this race—the egg race.

The committee on sports got busy in their line, but the three-legged race was a poser. No doubt those who enter know how, and the prizes offered will be worth going after.

Young Americans have all read about William Penn and how he employed the fleetest-footed young Indians. Well, there are lots of youngsters today who are fleet afoot and they can win a prize on this occasion, for there will be a foot race with a prize.

The admission to the grounds will be 25 cents, including the privilege of a seat in the grand stand. First come first served.

Age and Work.

Sir Walter Scott began to write his celebrated novels at forty. Milton began "Paradise Lost" at fifty. When "East Lynne" appeared its author, Mrs. Henry Wood, was forty-five. Cromwell was forty-one when he began his public career. The year of the hegira was the fifty-third of Mohammed, and Marlborough reached his independent command at the same age. In spiritual examples Abraham was seventy-five when called of Charan, and Moses was eighty when he stood before Pharoah as the champion of Israel.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

THE SHEET METAL WORKERS

Their Convention at Typographical Temple Now in Session.

CONSIDERATION OF NEW LAWS

Delegates Prompt at Each Session—Addressed By Samuel Gompers—Local Union Entertaining Its Visitors—Coppersmiths to Join Alliance.

The thirteenth session of the Amalgamated Sheet Metal Workers' International Alliance is being held at Typographical Temple this week.

This is an extraordinary session called for the purpose of making several important changes in the Constitution, the principal question being one increasing the per capita tax on account of the marked increase in the death rate, and the consequent drain on the general fund to meet this item of expense.

The convention is truly representative and has met for business, but has yielded some of its time to accept courtesies at the hands of Local No. 102, whose members are untiring in making the delegates feel at home in the nation's capital.

On the opening of the convention on Monday Mr. Macfarland, of the District Commissioners said in part:

"You are welcome personally and as representatives of your brethren throughout the United States and Canada. You are to be congratulated upon all that you have done for yourselves and your trade which has resulted for the general good. Nothing but what helps us all will permanently help your organization or any other. Now that industrial peace and consequent prosperity prevails is the time for you to prepare to prevent industrial war with all its mutual wrong and common injury. Nations, under the leadership of the United States, are coming to see the folly of international wars, the wisdom of settling disputes by international tribunals.

Following Mr. Macfarland, Frank Morrison, Secretary of the American Federation, welcomed the convention on behalf of the American Federation of Labor.

Addresses were also made by H. W. Sherman, Secretary for International Brotherhood of Electric Workers, and others.

Adjournment being taken, on the afternoon of the first day, Local No. 102 entertained the delegates on a pilgrimage to Mt. Vernon.

The greater part of Tuesday was taken up in discussion of rules to govern the convention, and the debate at that time shows conclusively that a number of the delegates are past masters at framing up parliamentary questions.

At the afternoon session on Tuesday President Samuel Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, made an able address to the delegates, which was enthusiastically received, a rising vote of thanks being extended to Mr. Gompers on the completion of the address.

A committee was appointed to confer with representatives of the Coppersmiths on the question of affiliation with the Alliance, jurisdiction having been conceded over that craft by the A. F. of L. to the Alliance.

NOTES.

Delegates Egloff, Ryan, Ross, and Daly, of No. 102, are looking after the personal comfort of the delegates.

It has been a subject of remark that Washington has never had a convention that shows as good specimens of vigorous manhood as in the present convention.

Personal Mention.

John W. Hays, first vice-president of the I. T. U., stopped over in this city yesterday en route to Toronto. Mr. Hays has just completed an extended trip through the South in the interest of the I. T. U.

The retail clerks of Newark, N. J., have secured a universal closing hour.

All the unions of lobster fishermen, of which there are nine, are attached to the American Federation of Labor.

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Among The Building Trades

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STRUCTURAL ALLIANCE.

The Local had the pleasure of meeting the Grand President of the Alliance, James Kirby, at their meeting Tuesday night. Mr. Kirby has been visiting the Eastern cities, and reports the conditions for the building trades throughout the East as being very encouraging to the Alliance. He is here in an effort to have the Sheet Metal Workers affiliate nationally, and there is little doubt of his mission being successful. He goes from here to Baltimore to look after the interest of the Local there. Mr. Kirby hopes that in the near future the employers, seeing that the mission of the Alliance is to bring peace to the building trades, will agree to sign contracts with its National Association.

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IRON WORKERS.

The strike of this craft against the Pennsylvania Steel Co. has been settled, and the Company now, after trying "conclusions," agree to arbitrate all future questions in dispute regarding work that the Iron Workers think they should do. How much better it would have been for both parties had this been determined before all this loss of money through cessation of work was caused. Strange how long it takes an idea of this kind to "break" into the brains of some employers.

The Executive Board of the Bridgemen have ordered a general strike against the American Bridge Co. This action is caused owing to this Company's habit of sub-letting its work to non-union firms. This they have done on one or two occasions, notably the Boston Bridge Co., as they were so successful they thought to extend this "system." It would seem after the experience this company had in Pittsburg two years ago that they would "go slow" before doing anything that would "rile" the bridgemen, but suppose they have some wise (?) managers advising them. They were whipped "good and plenty" in Pittsburg, and they will no doubt "get all that's coming to them" this whirl. Farley will get another job, but he will find the market for iron workers not so plentifully stocked as it is for street car men. To work as iron workers requires nerve. "Scabs" are not usually plentifully supplied with that article, even though they are classed as "heroes."

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PAINTERS.

At their meeting on Friday night this Local will vote as to having a general convention called in December. A referendum vote of the entire Brotherhood is being taken now for the purpose. The local painters started in on their new wage scale August 1, and there was not one master painter objected. Of course, the Painters had no "kick."

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ELECTRICAL WORKERS.

Local No. 26, at their last meeting, instructed their delegates to the convention "to use all honorable means in their power to have the International affiliate with the Structural Alliance." This question has been submitted on two occasions to a referendum vote, but, like the Iron Workers, it did not "carry," but was "mos' pow'ful close." 'Twill win next time, for the sentiment that prevailed against affiliation, seeing the success of the Alliance, has changed. The Locals in many cities are affiliated, and can easily see its advantages, so presume they will take a "large dose" next time. Executive officer—of this district—Dale Smith was in the city Sunday and reports a very encouraging outlook for the craft throughout the entire district.

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"If I were a mechanic to-day I would be a union man," said Henry C. Hunter, commissioner of the New York Metal Trades Association, at the close of a speech made by him at the meeting of the Civic Federation in Chicago.

"I believe in labor organizations. They are the logical outcome of our present society. They have accomplished magnificent victories for the betterment of mankind. I appeal to organized labor to make the union card passport the badge of integrity—an ornament to the splendid heritage of American citizenship."

The Miscellaneous Trades.

RETAIL GROCERY CLERKS.

This Local has arranged a very convenient method of letting the members of organized la[illegible] in this city know whether their grocer employs Union clerks. They have had circulars printed to be distributed among the unions, and on them the names of all the grocers who employ Union clerks.

Each grocer is furnished with a display card, so it is not necessary for you to "ask the clerk for his card," but when you don't see the display card you know he is not employing Union clerks. It is easy then to ask the grocer why it is not there. This should be done, for this organization was not formed until sadly needed, a fact well known to all members of Unions. For many years the clerks in grocery stores worked very long hours, from 5 a. m. to 10 or 12 p. m., and had a chance to rest (?) Sunday after they had worked several hours. Won't the building trades look into this matter, and if your grocer hasn't the sign ask him why.

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BAKERS UNION, NO. 118.

Bakers Union, No. 118, at its last meeting, received notice from the Secretary-Treasurer of District No. 3, Bakers and Confectioners International Union, for the semi-annual convention of that district, which will take place Saturday, September 9, at Philadelphia, Pa. This district comprises the States of New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina.

The Union was also notified by the International headquarters of some impending trouble with the Bakers' Union at Alexandria, Va., requesting No. 118 to assist that Local. A committee was appointed for that purpose.

Financial assistance was extended to Building Stone Laborers Local No. 46.

The members were ordered to assist in the fight against Grogan, furniture dealer, and Artz, the plumber.

The new officers were installed, as follows John Weber, president; F. H. Schulze, vice-president; F. Otto Schulze, financial secretary; Louis Merkel, Fred. Hanold, Con. Gottsman, trustees; Christ. Loewenstein, sergeant-at-arms.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Richard Emmons, better known to the boys as "The Parson," has recovered from a serious illness and is again at work.

Ed Buckley, E. G. C. Shop, has gone North on indefinite leave to recuperate his health. Ed is O. K. in every particular, if he is a little fiery.

Capt. Jack Stewart and Pem Shipley, with their families, are spending the summer at Niagara. If this fact had been reported fifty years ago it would have been looked upon as something wonderful. What a difference in mechanics in a half century.

Superintendent Charley Robinson, with his family, are at Atlantic City for several weeks enjoying themselves. What Charley can not get out of this life in the enjoyment line is not worth seeking. Col. Joe Lawrence will hold the gun shop down until he returns.

Capt. John Randolf, of B. M. Shop, with his family, are spending the summer in the mountains of Northern New York. Captain John was a gallant Union soldier, and was shot nearly to death at Gettysburg. For this the Government remunerates him by the enormous sum of $6 per month as a pension.

Speaking of pensioning and its queer freaks, I am informed that some years ago a sailor was discharged from the navy for disabilities, securing a good pension. He immediately applied for a position on the police force, was examined by the board of surgeons, pronounced a perfect specimen of manhood. He is now a full sergeant, but still drawing his pension as a sick ex-sailor. One in a thousand that you hear of—that's all.

I hear nothing but good remarks about the new head of the Yards and Docks, Captain Beatty. His men all speak well of him, and by the way this is something unusual, as there seems to be, as a rule, a feeling of variance existing between officers and workmen, caused simply, in my judgment, by a lack of understanding between the two. Such men as Captain Beatty, who has the interests of his men at heart, should be the means of cementing a brotherly love between the two forces that might be adopted by others until a perfect understanding existed. A man is a man for all that, even if he does wear the overalls.

I see that Senator Martin has requested Secretary Bonaparte, and the request has been accepted, to recommend in his annual report to Congress the passage of a liability act, whereby employes in navy yards, naval stations, and arsenals, in case of accident, be recompensed for time lost. I appreciate this act of Senator Martin, who is the friend of labor and who first drew his inspiration of the liability act from the columns of THE TRADES UNIONIST as published in Navy Yard Items several months ago, when an aged machinist was mashed to a pulp in the Yard. I claim no personal credit in the matter, but believe the paper I represent in the Yard should be entitled to the credit.

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GONE TO TORONTO.

Washington's Official and Visitorial Delegation.

Though not all going in one party, few cities so far away from the scene of the annual meeting and festivities of the I. T. U. will be as well represented as this our Washington at Toronto. This is partly due to the fact that Canada is a country that comparatively few of our members have ever visited, and the novelty is not the least of attractions. Many will extend their trips to other sections of our neighbor on the North ere returning.

Delegate and ex-President Joe M. Johnson, having been appointed a member of the Laws Committee, which meets today for the consideration of the business of the session, with Mrs. Johnson, departed on Tuesday. With his colleagues on the committee, he will have three days of hard work before the other delegates arrive.

The largest single delegation will leave this city tomorrow (Friday) morning on the Pennsylvania Railroad, in a special parlor car. In this party will be Delegate Philip S. Steele and Mrs. Steele, Delegate Mark H. Barnum and Mrs. Barnum, Delegate Harry C. Knapp and Mrs. Knapp, President John R. Berg and Mrs. Berg, Vice-President and ex-Delegate William R. Love and Mrs. Love, Secretary and ex-Delegate George G. Seibold and Mrs. Seibold, ex-Delegate Albert W. Bowen, Mrs. A. W. Bowen, (delegate to the Woman's International Auxiliary), ex-Delegate J. Monroe Krieter and Mrs. Krieter, ex-Delegate L. C. Hover and Mrs. Hover, ex-Delegate William H. Bailey and Mrs. Bailey, ex-Delegate T. C. Parsons, Mrs. John A. Huston (vice-president of the Woman's International Auxiliary), ex-Delegate V. C. Meyerhoffer, Frank A. Kidd and Mrs. Kidd, Mrs. Frank S. Lerch, Miss Teresa McDonald, A. J. McMillan, James M. Weaver, Henry Harrold, Willis Brown, D. R. Lyons, and T. C. Nock, delegate from Birmingham, Ala.

Ex-Delegate C. C. Thompson and Mrs. Thompson and Thomas J. Shober, of the Washington *Post*, will be among the visitors. They left last Monday evening, going by sea to New York and thence up the Hudson, expecting to meet the main party at Buffalo.

Ex-Delegate William M. Holeman and Miss Holeman leave this evening, but will become part of the "Washington contingent" at Toronto.

Charles W. Pafflow will also be among the visitors, but will join the party from Philadelphia. Because of his connection with the *Inland Printer*, it may be that he will represent that great magazine at the convention.

A. J. McMillan will be a member of the party leaving on Friday morning and will be joined at Toronto by Mrs. McMillan, who is now in Canada.

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

Harry Templar brings back from Pennsylvania enthusiastic reports of Cos Rodier's work for the American Federation of Labor.

Dr. Manning is the happiest man in the diggins. He has located, through an ad. in the Salvation Army *War Cry*, his son, who has been missing for four years.

Jimmie Weaver tells me the next president of Columbia Union will be Dan Vaughan. In this direction I can prophesy a storm center in the First Division for delegateship, with Messrs. Love, Nachman, Templar, and possibly Radley, as entries.

That Hyde family are evidently adepts at the get-rich-quick game. Mabel G. of that name announces, from an Eastern city, she will send a photograph of herself, taken from life, for 15 cents. Inasmuch as this is not an advertising column, I omit her address.

An alley mate notes Brother Bloomer's list of the Boys of '76 and goes them one better, handing me a list of a dozen or more employed in the G. P. O. in 1867, as follows: H. W. Gray, C. F. Gilmore, J. S. Burnside, S. E. Mullan, L. H. Patterson, W. C. Sefton, M. V. B. Stevens, W. H. Sweeney, L. Woodward, J. M. Maloney, J. G. Boss, John Goodrich, and J. E. Bright.

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FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

It ought not to be necessary to warn printers against investing their money in any of the numerous wildcat schemes that are so extensively advertised, and which advertising is their only claim to consideration. But when it is remembered that E. J. Arnold and other "get-rich-quick" sharps did pretty well in the G. P. O. one loses confidence in even "the most intelligent class of workingmen." "Banking by mail" seems too transparent a swindle to catch anybody, but the developments show that suckers are plenty. Because a few with special genius have made hits writing advertisements, "ad-writing" courses are advertised by all the fakirs in the country, and there are probably more "ad-writing" schools than "ad-writing" jobs that are worth having. Then a fakerino in Philadelphia or somewhere else advertises to sell your real estate, wherever located, claiming special facilities for doing so; another makes a specialty of Virginia farms and others of Southern and California fruit lands, a few acres of which will make a man independent in a very few years. No Philadelphian is half as competent to handle our real estate for us as our Washington dealers; nobody who has a Virginia farm worthy of the name wants to sell it bad enough to advertise all over the country, nor do valuable Southern or Western fruit lands long seek purchasers. A man with a little money to invest can always find an opportunity among the business men of the city in which he lives, whose character he can investigate. The references given by fake advertisers are worthless, for if a concern has a deposit in a bank, the bank will always certify to his financial responsibility. Arnold had plenty of such. It is always risky to put money into the hands of strangers under any circumstances. "*Caveat emptor*" ("Let the purchaser beware"), says the law. "Never buy a pig in a poke," says common sense.

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I am not sure whether the attractions of the bathing beach are among those to be offered to the delegates and visitors at Toronto, but in case such should be the fact I hope Delegate Shelby Smith, of Philadelphia, may not be mistaken for a sea serpent while disporting himself in the water, as he was reported to have been at Virginia Beach some years ago, when the bathers, with screams of fright, hurried out of the surf. He is not a sea serpent, but a very genial gentleman, and I hear that he wears whiskers.

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Foreman D. J. Roberts, of the Fourth Division, one day last week, showed me a Welsh newspaper, *Y Drych* (*The Mirror*), published in Utica, N. Y., which contained a picture of Edwin C. Jones, chief clerk of the Bureau of Printing of the Philippine government, who had arrived in that city, where he was met by Mrs. Jones, who had been in this country some months. Mr. Jones came through the Suez Canal and via Europe, visiting his native Wales, where he heard the great Welsh evangelist, Evan Roberts. He will be in this city the latter part of this week, and after he and Mrs. Jones have visited relatives and friends in various parts of the country for a month or so they will return to the Philippines.

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Human nature is such a common characteristic that even many proofreaders possess it to a greater or less degree. Let a "first reader" miss an error—especially a bad one—and he is subject to two emotions when his attention is called to the fact: First, that he was not to blame (maybe it was his copyholder, or the proof was so bad that he couldn't be expected to "get everything," or he was interrupted at that moment, or that he saw it and intended to go back and mark it, but forgot it, or "Anyhow, nobody can be expected to find 'em all"), and second, an unaccountable and indefensible feeling of resentment toward the "second reader" who finds it. And the "second reader," on finding the error, cackles to himself, pats himself on the back, wonders how the other fellow came to miss it, and I know one fellow who, under these conditions, remarked, "And that lobster gets as much money as I do!" Within the hour the positions of the two readers may be reversed, with all the circumstances, whereupon the feelings undergo a similar change and reversal. All of which goes to show that a man's faith in himself is part of his existence, and it enables him to excuse himself for his failures and to congratulate himself on his successes.

Of course this is only another manifestation of the fact that every man is an egotist, conceal it as he may try. Another thing which has only egotism for a foundation is State pride. What makes *my* State greater than any other State? Why, because it is *my* State, of course. Why am I not equally proud or even prouder of some other State than the one to which I owe allegiance? Because it is *not* my State. Of course I dignify this by calling it loyalty to my State, but it is really only loyalty to myself. I may even call it "God's country"—we often hear the expression—but I show my insincerity by refusing to occupy it with Him.

"Back to the Old North State," wrote poor John Henry Boner. But nobody goes from Washington "back to the Old North State" except in a coffin or with a return ticket, and all the States bear it company in this respect.

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M. D. L. Shrope, editor and publisher of the Easton (Pa.) *Journal*, a monthly labor magazine that stays on the "firing line" all the time, has done me the honor of placing me on his exchange list, for which he has my thanks. He prints a red-hot paper and doesn't hesitate to mix up in local politics when he thinks it advantageous to the cause of labor to do so.

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There are many who learned with sincere sorrow of the death of H. P. McKevitt, late of the G. P. O., on Friday of last week. He was genial and companionable, and I do not believe he had an enemy in the world. He had a peculiar talent by which, immediately on hearing a word, no matter how long, he would give the number of letters it contained and spell it backward more rapidly than the ordinary man could in the usual way. He was a victim of the "white plague," at the age of 46.

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Judge George B. Tallman, of the Job Room, received a letter last week from W. J. Brown, formerly of the G. P. O., but who has been in the Philippines for three or four years, part of the time in the Bureau of Printing, but lately as a stenographer in the office of Macondray & Co., steamship, insurance, and express agents. He says that he hears several of the "Washington contingent" were to leave for "the States" in a week or two, among the number Jim Alford, who had not been in the best of health, and therefore whose judgment as to climate is not to be taken too seriously. He understood that it was not the intention to take any more Americans there, for the Filipinos had proved equal to all emergencies. Alex. M. Allison, who went out as a member of Public Printer Jack Leech's force four years ago and subsequently spent three years in the revenue service, has resigned from the latter and become a member of an electrical firm and seems to be on the way to wealth. "Brownie" is satisfied with his own position, but at times thinks of "returning to that dear America."

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I received a letter from Silas Bill Read, of Montreal, last week, saying that our Bill Reed, of the Proof Division, had called on him, which our Bill did at my suggestion, as he was going to that city in pursuance of his trip to the Saguenay River and the Maritime Provinces. Silas Bill says he found our Bill a good fellow, all of which we knew before, though corroboration is always welcome.

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Dr. Marcus Benjamin, Ph. D., of the U. S. National Museum, for many years a close friend and formerly associated with him in the compiling of the Century Dictionary, has issued a beautifully executed memorial of the late John Henry Boner, in a limited edition, which was sent to the more intimate friends of the dead poet. As a frontispiece it has a splendid photo-gelatin portrait of Mr. Boner, and there are many beautiful pictures of the old Moravian graveyard at Salem, N. C., as well as other objects connected with Mr. Boner's life and death, including the house in which he was born. In well-chosen words Dr. Benjamin depicted the principal events in the life of the poet, quoting extensively from his works, and adding the words of others, among them the tribute written by William N. Brockwell for the Raleigh *State Journal*. The brochure, a triumph of the printer's art, is the heartfelt contribution of Dr. Benjamin for the preservation of the memory of his dead friend and a monument to his genius in literature as well as the simplicity and nobility of his life.

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Mayor Belcher, of Paterson, Nudge, displayed a surprising thrift. I believe we have a gentleman named Belcher in the G. P. O.

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The "Bit of All Sorts" man seems anxious to see a ruction between Maud S. and me. There is no likelihood of it, for we are such good friends that we often breakfast together when we have 10 cents and there are two pieces of pie in the establishment.

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Among the visitors to the International Typographical Union convention at Toronto next week will be Mr. V. C. Meyerhoffer, a member of Columbia Union, but formerly well known throughout the country. He is a native of Canada and began his apprenticeship as a printer in Toronto on May 1, 1848, over fifty-seven years ago. Mr. Meyerhoffer represented Wabash Union at Cincinnati in 1870, and again in 1873 he was a delegate from Rutland, Vt., to the Montreal convention. He was the father of the district unions plan, and at Cincinnati he brought it to the attention of the convention. At Montreal he again submitted his plan, with some amendments, and with it a provision for biennial sessions of the I. T. U. Both ideas were later adopted, but found unsatisfactory and abandoned. Mr. Meyerhoffer, at the age of 72 years, is still deeply interested in the union of his trade, and though he may not find any at Toronto whom he knew in the long-gone days, he will be welcomed by the present generation and will doubtless find many former acquaintances among the delegates and visitors.

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From Topeka, Kans., of the first typographical union of which I had the honor to be a charter member, nearly thirty-six years ago, I have received the card of Delegate Thomas B. Brown, who in the past was delegate to Denver in 1899, Boston in 1891, and St. Louis in 1904. With it was the card of Delegate W. A. Snyder, of Colorado Springs, which booms his home city for the 1906 convention, and a card with the following legend on it, which assures me that my friend Brown intends to have a good time at Toronto:

> They say a camel can go eight days without drinking, but who in hell wants to be a camel?

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Ninety-three typographical unions have the eight-hour day now, and 66 others have arrangements for putting it into effect in the future. It won't be very hard sledding, boys, to get the rest of them.

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I wonder if the Typothetæ will circulate as industriously the facts of the San Francisco lockout as they did those of the attempted treachery at St. Louis. Come to think of it, I doubt if they published all the facts of the latter affair. I am in hopes that this organization will come to a realization of the fact that this is an eight-hour age and save its money and so enable us to save ours.

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C. W. Post, the Gripe Knots and Post-Mortem Serial man, gives the trades unionists too much credit, I think, in ascribing to them wholly and solely the falling off of his sales. Recognition of the innate worthlessness of his scab-made garbage has had much to do with it. He is more thoroughly discredited in the town which he disgraces, if possible, than in the country generally.

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A strike breaker must be a man of great physical courage, a born leader of men. He must possess a thorough knowledge of the methods of labor unions and have the power to inspire his followers and his employers with confidence in his ability. In view of the tendencies of the time, why should not some of our up-to-date colleges, which give alert attention to each fresh sociological development, establish a chair of "The Gentle Art of Breaking Strikes?" It would furnish an opening for the college athlete, who finds himself often somewhat too conspicuously disengaged at the close of his college career.—*Reader Magazine.*

As the greatest reason for the existence of the college is to educate men so as to enable them to make a living without manual labor, naturally the first thing taught and the one thing most dwelt upon is a deep and abiding contempt for the man who works with his hands. So what should be more natural than that colleges should devote their efforts to thwarting those of mechanics and laborers to raise themselves in the scale of life? But as morality or sense of decency is not to be considered in devising new means for the occupation of the college-bred man whereby he may get the earnings of others, why not have a "Chair of Refined Burglary?" A "Chair of Scientific Counterfeiting and Forgery" ought to be well patronized, for there is now much bungling in this occupation which requires no soiling of hands. A "Chair of Expert Embezzlement" would fill a long-felt want. A "Chair of Municipal and National Government Graft" might so refine the art as to defy detection and punishment. Any of these would be of equal morality with that proposed in the paragraph quoted above, for the man who seeks to thwart the efforts of the workingman to better his condition by a strike has the morals of a thief.

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These two paragraphs are from A. J. E. Hubbard's Colorado Springs *Labor News* of August 3:

Carlos B. Tomlin, a well-known typo of this city, left last Sunday for Grand Junction, Colo., to participate in the mad rush for Uintah Indian reservation homesteads. Later he contemplates taking a swing about the circle including Salt Lake, Ogden, Albuquerque and other points.

R. T. Anderson, better known as "Tony," for a number of years employed in the Bindery of Uncle Sam's big printery at Washington, D. C., made ye editor and family a pleasant call Wednesday. He is on his way to the Portland Exposition and intends visiting his friends and parents while in that section. Come again, "Tony," your face certainly looked good to us.

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Rev. Edwin J. Hopkins, of Grafton, W. Va., is visiting relatives in this city. Mr. Hopkins is a son of F. H. Hopkins, of the Job Room, G. P. O., and a printer himself in the G. P. O. up to the year 1900. He is pastor of the Lutheran Church at Grafton, W. Va.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

Messrs. Townsend and Lightfoot are on the sick list.

F. W. Kern has gone West and Wiley H. Davis South.

Imposers Robinson, Donn and Gunn have returned from their annual leave.

John R. Moss has a good brown complexion since his recent trip to Atlantic City.

"Billy" Skeen has been moved up a point; now temporarily rated as a maker-up.

Charley Peake won the watch. Lucky man, enjoying his leave at the same time.

Compositors Hartley, Heisler, Howe, Mullan, and Reid have returned from their leave.

Imposer McFarlane was warmly greeted last Monday morning upon returning to work.

Chris. Auracher's leave having expired, he "took out some more times" without pay. Hif.

Imposer Burnside and wife will visit Atlantic City, Philadelphia, and Chicago while on leave.

Colonel Bentz and wife have been sojourning at Colonial Beach and will visit Carlisle, Pa., later on.

Vice-President Love has been granted fifteen days' leave. As Colonel Love is an X, he will attend the Toronto Convention.

Ex-Secretary Wm. M. Garrett, at present connected with the Sudwarth Printing Co., is a frequent visitor to the G. P. O.

V. B. Pinkston, of the Navy Branch, paid us a call the other day. Expresses himself as well pleased with his assignment.

Delegate-elect Steele has been granted thirty days' leave. Of course he will attend the International Typographical Convention.

Judge Holeman, of the Supply Division, contemplates attending the Toronto Convention as an X, and making an extended trip through Canada.

Last Monday evening's rain, if the whistle was correct, was just one minute behind the schedule time. Howsomever, it was close enough.

C. M. Robinson, foreman of the Proof Room, has the sincere sympathy of his many friends in this Division, in the sudden death of his eldest daughter.

Mayor Chas. G. Covert, of the city of Evansville, Ind., son of our fellow-workman Jake Covert, has many friends and acquaintances in the G. P. O.

It was George A. Tuttle who signaled his friends from the second coach of the 11 o'clock train last Thursday forenoon, as he took his departure in a thirty day trip West.

Arthur F. Maher, formerly a compositor in the Treasury Branch, having been transferred a few years since to the Treasury Department, is at present employed in the office of Collector of Customs, Portland, Oreg.

Chairman Onyun, of the recently-appointed Outlook Committee on Subscription Papers, had scarcely been installed when he was presented with a handsome bouquet of one *flower*. It came from the Press Room.

Leaves, beginning August 10, have been granted to the following persons: Messrs. Alexander, Barton, Bowen, Burnside (J. S.), Hayne, Heidenfeld, Holeman, Ingalls, Love, McMillan, Nelson, Shaffer, Steele, and Taylor—14.

Foreman A. W. Bowen, accompanied by his wife, who is the delegate to the Woman's Auxiliary, will accompany the delegates to the Toronto Convention. A special parlor car will be furnished by the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Every one in this Division was agreeably surprised on Monday to receive their "pay envelope" before the noon hour. Even our old friend, Mr. Lease, the Star-route collector, was a mighty close second shortly after lunch time. Call again at the same hour next payday, gentlemen, you can't insult any one in this Division.

Delegate-elect Rev. P. S. Steele, of this Division, occupied the pulpit of the North Capitol M. E. Church on Sabbath morning and evening in the absence of the pastor, and preached two excellent sermons. Despite the intense heat the services were unusually well attended, and our reverend friend was warmly congratulated by a number of the congregation.

The daily papers inform us that Santo Domingan affairs are closely engaging the attention of the administration. In this connection we might state that W. W. Handley, some years since a compositor in the old Document Room, is the consul at Puerta Plata. "Billy," as he was familiarly known, has many friends in the G. P. O., who will be pleased to hear of his prosperity.

At a Chapel meeting held on Tuesday noon, a resolution was unanimously adopted empowering the chairman to appoint a committee of three to inquire into the merits of all applications for relief, *i. e.*, whether the applicant is deserving, and if so, if the assistance is desired. Chairman Templar has appointed the following committee: John A. Onyun, Wm. R. Love, and C. W. Radley. The idea is commendable, and has the hearty approval of the Chapel.

This week we chronicle the death of H. P. McKevitt, which took place at his residence in this city last Friday evening, after a lingering illness. The deceased came to Washington from Texas about seven years ago, and was assigned cases in the First Division, then in charge of William H. Fisher. Later on he was employed in other Divisions, and his last work was as an imposer in the Job Room. Mr. McKevitt was a good workman, highly intelligent, and popular with his associates. He was a very active member of the Woodmen of the World, in which he was insured for $2,000, and also a member of Nonpareil Council of the National Union, in which he had a $1,000 policy. A widow and several children survive him.

ROUGH WRITER.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll. N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

Sixth Division.

The District Guard will return from camp to morrow. Here's to them:

When Johnnie comes marching home again,
Hurrah! Hurrah!
The Capital of the Nation will be safe then,
Hurrah! Hurrah!
And the Sixth Division of the G. P. O.
With thirteen soldiers now at the "show"
Will make the wheels of the Mergies go,
Oh, I don't think.
And the stay at homes will then have a chance,
Hurrah! Hurrah!
To give a rest to the seat of their pants,
Hurrah! Hurrah!
For back from the fields of terrible strife,
Comes Johnnie Merg to the tune of the fife
And into the copy he'll sail for his life,
May be they will, but I doubt it.
Then Assistant Kenny will sing and shout,
Hurrah! Hurrah!
And Charlie Rudy will say "Take out!"
Hurrah! Hurrah!
And Timekeeper Moores will then begin
To say "Fall in! Now fall out agin"
And the gosh darned gang will laugh like sin
When the boys
Come
Marching
Home.

Our brave soldier boys are due to return to-morrow (Friday). I almost hear the rattle of t-i—no, muskets.

Robert W. Christian returned to work in this Division last Thursday, after having spent fifteen days of his leave in old Virginia.

During the absence of of copy collator Chas. Ellis, the work inside the big semi-circled desk is being performed by Charles O'Connell.

John H. Williams, one time manager of the Sixth Division baseball team, is again in the game. With the Columbias he is playing left field.

The formation of a Quarter of a Century Club by the G. P. O. employes who have seen twenty-five years or more of service will now be in order.

Speaker Cannon is reported to have said that he does not know what the extra session of Congress is for. A little legislation on back leave for printers wouldn't go bad, Uncle Joe.

Joseph A. Dreis returned to work in this Division on Saturday. And thus the fertile brain of Joseph shows that it has lost none of its cunning by eleven weeks of severe illness with typhoid fever.

John A. Cotter, a Mergenthaler operator of this Division and an enthusiastic admirer of the Boston base ball aggregation, has departed for the land of beans and brown bread where he will spend his vacation.

From Harper's Ferry comes the report that each of the kahki-clothed soldiers are trying to outdo each other in the amount of work they do. Just imagine those thirteen Sixth Division soldiers in a contest of that sort.

The card which President Berg will hand out at Toronto contains a beautiful miniature picture of the new G. P. O. printed in pale blue, over which his name appears in black. It will convey to those receiving it some idea of the greatness of Uncle Sam's big shop.

The daily papers announce that a settlement of the Equitable Life Insurance Company's affairs has been postponed until an honest lawyer can be found. Permit us, Mr. Morton, to present for your careful consideration, the names of the Hon. "Judge" Chas. Ennis, Mr. Daniel C. Vaughan, or Mr. Edgar Meritt. Address G. P. O., Washington, D. C.

Among the departures for Toronto to-morrow will be Mrs. A. W, Bowen, accompanied by her husband, the foreman of the First Division. As a general thing the wife accompanies the husband, but in this instance I have reversed the order, as Mr. Bowen is merely carrying the satchel. Mrs. Bowen is a delegate to the Woman's Auxiliary of the I. T. U.

Around the big stones in the *Record* proof room the lunch crowd had gathered the other day awaiting the coming of Mrs. Silvey. A little bit of everything had been discussed, when some one put the question as to whether or not a man had a right to lick his wife. The single men advanced several theories on the subject, while the married men kept mum. "I don't know so much about the ordinary people," says Dan McFadden, "but I think a saloon-keeper has that right." "Why should a saloon-keeper have that right?" broke in a voice. "Well, you see," said Mc, "he's a liquor (lick-her) man." Oh, McPike, where art thou?

I understand some busy gentlemen up in the Job Room have been trying to create trouble between myself and my good friend, Delegate Barnum, over an item of mine last week suggesting that friend Marcus might have secured the loan of the Goodkey resolutions for presentation at Toronto. In this connection I made no reference to Mr. Barnum's opinion on the Lynch-Hawkes controversy. Knowing that the esteemed Chief of the Fire Department of Langdon, D. C., and member of the Suburban Citizens Association had prepared a set of resolutions for just such an occasion, the antipathy with which I watch men do unnecessary work, especially during warm weather, led me to make the suggestion that the reso's might have been borrowed. But, all's well that ends well. Here's to you, Mark. You don't need to borrow them unless you want to.

I was pleased to learn through "Rough Writer" that my esteemed friend George R. Boone, assistant to Foreman A. W. Bowen, of the First, has at last paid Atlantic City a visit. It reminds me that back in the June days when the thermometer was near the 100 mark George congratulated himself on the fact that he had saved the six last days in June for a visit to Atlantic City. On the last day of his labors in the office he brought with him a satchel full of pure white linen and a bathing suit. As he waited for the call of the paymaster announcing that the long green was ready for him he lectured his fellow desk mates on the folly of using all one's leave at the beginning of the year. The telephone bell rang. "Just tell them," said George, "that I will be right down and get it," addressing the clerk who answered the phone. Then came the sad blow which postponed the trip. "The paymaster says the appropriation has run out and no more leave can be granted." 'Twas enough to make the mermaids weep.

If a fellow gets his ear to the ground now-a-days he can hear the distant rumble of an approaching campaign. Although the election is three-quarters of a year distant the names of prominent personages in union affairs are being connected with various offices. The fact that an entirely new ticket will probably be selected has given the gossipers golden opportunity for the making of candidates, and set the little bee to working overtime in the bonnets of prominent gentlemen. There seems to be a pretty strong opinion prevalent that a "down-town" candidate will stand a good show for the presidency this year, and the names of such prominent personages as Charlie Thompson and James Monroe Kreiter, of the *Post*, and T. C. Parsons, of the *Star*, are being connected with the office. While it is hardly possible that either of the above-mentioned gentlemen would make the race were either of the other n the field, with the down town united on either one the election of a G. P. O. man would be a difficult task. But the G. P. O. is not without a number of gentlemen who are being discussed in this connection. Many are they who believe that with a ticket headed by such a man as either Charles Ennis, Dan C. Vaughan, Edgar Meritt, or Wm. Brockwell no down-town man could wrest the honors from the big shop. Anyhow, the indications point to something doing in the spring.

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A BARGAIN COUNTER DINNER.

A goodly number of the members of Liberty Council, Catholic Women's Beneficial League, contemplate indulging in an excursion to Chesapeake Beach on Saturday next, where a 44 cent feed at one of the hotels is, perhaps, the principal allurement. An invitation sent to one of the lady members has elicited the following response:

INVITATION ACCEPTED.

I thank you, indeed, for the invite you send
To visit the Beach at the present week's end,
And if health and weather permit me to go,
And nothing else intervenes, of which I don't know,
I will surely be there, the big feed to help "swalloh,"
Marked down as it is from a paltry half "dollah;"
For doubtless you know that bargain counters I haunt,
And am apt to invest in something I don't want.

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Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13, of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101. Mrs. A. C. Webb, president, 314 Tenth street northeast; Mrs. E. H. Thomas, secretary, The Bertholdt, 128 Maryland avenue southwest. Meets at Typographical Temple first Monday in each month.

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TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 333 I street s w.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman, Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

Bricklayers, No. 1, meets second and fourth Thursdays in each month at Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. Milford Spohn, Secretary, 1238 Eighth street northwest.

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Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

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Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Union, No. 11773, meets second Tuesday in each month at 7.30 p. m., Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. Frank F. Hartwell, Secretary, 810 Twentieth street northwest

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, First Branch, meets every alternate Monday evening at 610 G street northwest, Building Trades Hall. President, R. R. Rhodes. Financial and Recording Secretary, Fred Hook, 1034 Sixth street northeast. Business Agent, W. F. Gilmore, 624 Sixth street northwest.

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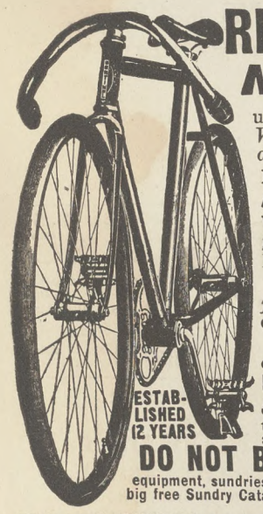

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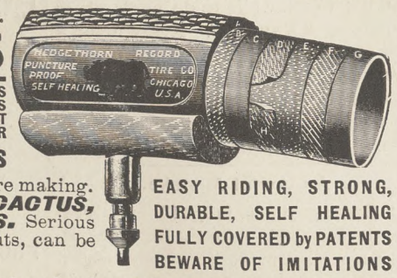

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A Correspondent Writes of Scenes and Incidents Up North.

August 4, 1905.

For the TRADES UNIONIST:

With wallet replenished by Treasury notes representing the pay graciously given by the Government's big printing house for 26 days' annual leave (the number remaining after a comptroller's discount from the 30 days voted by Congress), your scribe took his way northward in quest of a summer resort with less of summer weather than is usually furnished to residents of the capital city. The fifty mile an hour train having burrowed under the foundations and skipped over the chimney tops of the suburban town of Baltimore, and passed ancient Havre de Grace, of British bon-fire memory, car-building Wilmington, the home of would-be Senator Addicks, ship-building Chester, the scene of a newspaper venture of our friend Donath, and the big, white-doorstepped "home" city on the Schuylkill—the "flier" finally filed into a Jersey station on the Hudson, from which the skyscrapers of the *World* and other like enterprising institutions were plainly visible. The ferry soon brought us into closer touch with the city that, in points of population and wealth, stands second to one only in all this world—a fact which causes the breast of the average citizen of the "infant Republic" to swell with pardonable pride.

Coasting Long Island Sound, on the N. Y., N. H. and H. R. R., the first important hold-up was in the "City of Elms," which, although an ex-half capital, seems to have lost none of its commercial importance or progressiveness, still keeping at the top as the most populous town in the "Nutmeg State." As "higher education"—sculling and foot-balling—is here dispensed in allopathic doses, and the Yale yell oftentimes splits the air, New Havenites feel themselves raised just a little above the common level of the rest of mankind.

The next stopping place on the Northward journey was fair Hartford, which since 1871 has had a monopoly in the State capital business, and is the home town of Mr. Ed. Farrell, a member of No. 101 and copy editor in the G. P. O. This Connecticut valley metropolis is remarkably well built, and maintains its reputation as a most beautiful city. The splendid structures of the many insurance companies having their headquarters here are much in evidence. The troubles of the New York Equitable do not seem to afflict any of these corporations.

Hartford's memorials of its early history are guarded with jealous care and proudly exhibited to the way-farer. The famous charter, conferring, during the colonial period, peculiar, precious, priceless privileges, which, when recalled, by an arbitrary power, was stolen and hidden in the hollow of an oak tree (the charter oak, which was blown down by an ill wind in 1856), was seen among the archives in the new State house, which is an elegant structure of marble, in Gothic style. Not least among the fine buildings is the Union depot, which, though a marvel of convenience and beauty, will doubtless be surpassed by one which will in the near future adorn the United States capital.

Religious intolerance no longer prevails in this once Puritan city, as is evidenced by the presence of so many fine towered and steepled meeting-houses, the properties of the former proscribed and persecuted faiths.

The Hartfordites do not suffer because of an insufficiency of home reading matter. The want is abundantly supplied by four flourishing dailies (the old *Courant* in the lead), nine weeklies, and several monthlies. Many of these journals, as well as some of the book-houses, use the Merganthaler and Lanston machines, no controversy apparently existing as to their relative merits.

The northland journey was continued through the beautiful Connecticut Valley, on the west bank of the river of that name, until the chief city of Western Massachusetts was reached, a place which became known to all the world by the rifle that shot so much cold lead and by the paper (Mr. Bowles' Springfield *Republican*) that fired so many hot words during the early 60's, both of which enterprises are still in active operation, the arms manufactory, however, producing improved death-dealers in smaller quantities and the *Republican* issuing a smaller edition than the *Morning and Evening Union*, which is by far the most popular of the Springfield dailies. Continuing the run along the banks of the Connecticut, through Holyoke, where paper is manufactured in vast quantities, in plain view of the nobs of Holyoke and Tom, from the heights of which nobby New Englanders breathe Berkshire breezes, we came to Northampton, the seat of Smith College, where 1,000 young women are being taught along the same lines as at Vassar and Wellesley. The most important of the Vermont towns noted on the way was Brattleboro, the source of the sweet-toned Estey organ, and Newport, on the bright waters of Lake Memphremagog, a resort of more modest pretentions than the swell, same-named place in "Little Rhody."

The invasion of the dominions of our northern neighbors being peaceful, we were not so warmly received as were the Fenian raiders of 1866. Sherbrooke is the chief city on the line before reaching the south bank of the St. Lawrence at Levis, from which vantage point, in the early days, the capital of New France, on the opposite shore, was more than once besieged, bombarded, battered. Crossing the great river by ferry-boat one finds himself in the quaintest of American cities—curious old Quebec, with its narrow, winding streets, antique gables, peculiar roofs, and historic walls, and side by side with these, increasing their interest, stand the modernly-constructed Parliament building, city hall, post-office, and the Chateau Frontenac, which is the most elegantly designed and most elaborately finished hotel in America.

The flag of Britain, which, after so many years of battling for supremacy, finally triumphed over the lily banner of the Bourbons, is seen proudly floating from the shipping in the commodious harbor, from the tops of public buildings, and high above the grinning guns of the frowning citadel. The fascination of this city, whose every spot has a history tinged with romance, takes possession of the visitor, and the spell is never for an instant broken. Cannons and convents and shrines and statues of the olden time abound in the upper town.

One of the Government Printing Office proofreaders, Mr. William F. Reed, and wife, who came by the way of the Hudson, Saratoga, George, Champlain, and Montreal, joined the undersigned and wife here in Quebec, and with them made the pilgrimage to the shrine of St. Anne de Beaupre and journeyed down the St. Lawrence and up the famed Saguenay, the scenic beauty of whose shores has never been exaggerated by the glowing descriptions of enthusiastic tourists.

FRANK A. RODERICK.

BANTY TIM.

JOHN HAY.

I reckon I git your drift, gents—
You 'low the boy shan't stay,
This is a white man's country;
You're Dimocrats, you say.
And whereas and seein' and wherefore
The times bein' all out o' j'int,
The nigger has got to mosey
From the limits o' Spunky P'int!

Le's reason the thing a minute;
I'm an old fashioned Dimocrat, too,
Though I laid my politics out o' the way,
For to keep till the war was through.
But I come back here, allowin'
To vote as I used to do,
Though it gravels me like the devil to train
Along o' sich fools as you.

Now, dog my cats ef I kin see,
In all the light of day,
What you're got to do with the question
Ef Tim shall go or stay.
And, further than that, I give notice
Ef one of you teches the boy
He kin check his trunks to a warmer clime
Than he'll find in Illanoy.

Why, blame your hearts, jest hear me!
You know that ungodly day
When our left struck Vicksburg Heights, how ripped
And torn and tattered we lay.
When the rest retreated I stayed behind
Fur reasons sufficient to me—
With a rib caved in and a leg on strike
I sprawled on that damned glacee.

Lord, how hot the sun went for us
And br'iled and blistered and burned!
How the rebel bullets whizzed round us
When a cuss in his death grip turned!
Till along toward dusk I seen a thing
I couldn't believe for a spell—
That nigger—that Tim—was a-crawlin' to me
Through that fire-proof, gilt-edged hell!

The rebels seen him as quick as me,
And the bullets buzzed like bees,
But he jumped for me and shouldered me,
Though a shot brought him once to his knees.
But he staggered up and packed me off,
With a dozen stumbles and falls,
Till safe in our line he dropped us both,
His black hide riddled with balls.

So, my gentle gazelles, thar's my answer,
And here stays Banty Tim.
He trumped Death's ace for me that day,
And I'm not goin' back on him!
You may rezoloot till the cows come home,
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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

Delegation From Baltimore Garment Workers Make an Address.

UNIONS STILL AFTER GROGAN

Horse Shoers Working To Reclaim Unfair Shops—Mill Workers Want Recognition For Their Craft—Labor Day Committee Perfecting Details For Outing.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.15 p. m. on Monday, President McCarthy in the chair.

The minntes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Amalgamated Carpenters, Branch No. 3: Nathaniel Sloan, J. S. McDonald, W. H. Fleming, R. S. Newman, and J. W. Leedy.

Electrical Workers, No. 148: C. E. Young, J. C. Bailey, C. H. Louthan, G. H. Wright, and J. F. Dixon.

Plate Printers, No. 2: John C. Spencer.

The credentials received were referred to Credentials Committee, and on favorable report from the committee the delegates present were obligated and seated.

COMMUNICATIONS

From Thonet Bros., hall and office furniture manufacturers, desiring an opportunity to bid on supplying furniture for proposed building and hall for Central Labor Union. Placed on file.

From Iron Molders' Union, No. 215, inclosing amount of last quarter dues, and notifying Central Laber Union of withdrawal of delegates. Referred to Organization Committee.

From Electrical Workers, No. 26, stating that by a unanimous vote that Union resolved to fine any of its members $25 if found patronizing The Peter Grogan Co. Placed on file.

The Grievance Committee reported progress on all cases now in their hands.

A delegation representing the Garment Workers' Union, of Baltimore, was granted the privilege of the floor, and spoke of the condition of that craft in that city. They requested that a committee be appointed to visit clothing firms in this city, in conjunction with committee from Baltimore. The request was granted, and Delegates Weber, Brahler, and Hellmuth were appointed on the committee.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Horse Shoers: That the Connecticut Pie Co. and Stohlmans Bakery Co. were having their work done in a shop that was on the unfair list of the Central Labor Union, and requested that the firms be notified that this shop was unfair to organized labor. The request was granted.

Hod Carriers: Requested that special committee, consisting of Delegates McGuigan, Lahey, and Schmidt, visit the superintendent of work done by A. B. Stannard, and request that he inform the Central Labor Union why he refuses to employ Union hod carriers. Request granted.

Mill Workers: That they could obtain no assistance from Carpenters' District Council. A special committee, consisting of Delegates Adams, Horrigan, and Ross, were appointed to inquire into the status of this organization and see if assistance could be rendered them.

Plate Printers: That they would give an excursion to Marshall Hall on Saturday, August 24, and requested all members of organized labor to attend.

Sheet Metal Workers: Delegate Ross reported that at the recent convention of the International Alliance that Joseph A. Daly, of Local No. 102, who served the central body as financial secretary, was elected fourth vice-president of the International Alliance of Sheet Metal Workers.

Labor Day Committee reported progress.

On motion, the Naval Gun Factory Band was extended an invitation to participate in Labor Day celebration.

The amendment to the constitution increasing the bond of the treasurer to $1,000 was defeated.

Adjourned.

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THE FRISCO VICTORY.

The Eight-Hour Day Settled by No. 21 Without Serious Loss.

The recent controversy at San Francisco, where several master printers endeavored to force San Francisco Typographical Union to return to the nine-hour day, resulted in a substantial victory for the Union

The following from a correspondent in that city will be read with interest:

SAN FRANCISCO, *July 26, 1905.*

The proposition submitted by the master printers to force No. 21 to return to the nine-hour day was engineered by the Citizens' Alliance, the president of which is a former Denver printer named Herbert George, an Englishman, by way of Canada. George was formerly delegate to the central labor body, was discredited, joined Denver Citizens' Alliance, from which he was expelled for grafting, coming to Frisco about two years ago and organizing the Citizens' Alliance with himself as president and general poo-bah.

In this city Germans largely run the corner groceries, and it was from that source he recruited members at $1 to $5 per month. They were enrolled under a plan to pay sick benefits, collect bad debts and other things, returning several hundred per cent on investment.

In this he had the aid of *German Demokrat* (rat and Republican in politics), and with a little cash and large promises subsidized the English print afternoon paper that lost heavily in circulation and advertising, changed management, and is now positive labor union in expression.

A condition that has probably been never duplicated is the fact that every English printed newspaper from the start took the side of the printers as against the proprietors—*Examiner*, *Call*, and *Chronicle* (morning), *Post*, *News*, and *Bulletin* (afternoon).

Up to this occurrence the Citizens' Alliance was getting along without adverse criticism from the newspapers, but the occasion caused the *Examiner* to come out against it with red-hot shot, with an argument that has not been refuted. As the *Examiner* is popular with the people it carries great weight, because it "talks right out in meetin'."

International Printing Pressmen's president, Martin P. Higgins, was here during the lockout. To the printers' lockout committee he was noncommittal and endeavored to have the local Pressmen officers remain neutral. At a meeting of the Pressmen's Union July 21 (Friday), in a speech favoring it, he offered a proposition from the Typothetæ and its national secretary (McIntyre) that the Pressmen return to work at eight hours and old scale, with open shop and hours so far as printers were concerned, and this in face of original assertion of the Typothetæ that it was the Pressmen that should not have eight hours. He was met in opposition by minority speakers of his body, which culminated in a rout upon the entrance into the meeting of a delegation of eight heavyweights from the central labor body, and representing the largest unions of the city that was there to be heard and was heard, and told them of the trap into which Higgins was leading them, and Higgins' proposition was defeated overwhelmingly.

On the next day (Saturday) the largest job office in the city sought a conference with the printers and pressmen's committees and signed a two years' agreement on original basis, dropping its ten or twelve rats into the gutter.

At the meeting of San Francisco Typographical Union on Sunday there were present President Higgins, Vice-President Ratigan, and officers of local Pressmen's Union. President Higgins had said to the Pressmen two evenings previous that each body should look out for itself, and with this in mind a local Pressmen's Union officer said, however it might be elsewhere, in San Francisco to desert the printers would be just plain "scabbing," and he wouldn't expect to meet Union men on the street feeling any other way. Then President Higgins said that while he had looked at it otherwise he was glad of the result, proud of the spirit displayed by the local Pressmen's Union, and saw in it a basis for nationally closer unity of the several printing unions.

The Union committee met with the Typothetæ yesterday and adjourned over to this evening, and probably all will be over before this reaches you.

A number of printers and pressmen were proffered cash bonuses from $100 to $250, but not a single one has wavered. In all the offices errand boys, apprentices, girl copyholders, and bookkeepers took a stand and stayed out with the printers. How is that for the Golden West?

At the San Francisco Typographical Union meeting Vice-President Ratigan, of the International Printing Pressmen's Union, said that San Francisco was the strongest union town he ever expected to see; that his observations were a source of continual surprise, and from their environment he could appreciate the abhorrence of the local pressmen to any suggestion of a questionable compromise.

Two weeks ago a carload of twenty-seven strike-breakers arrived from St. Louis, and with them "Orator" Kelly, whom I saw mentioned in THE TRADES UNIONIST several years ago as a Christian minister in Southwest Missouri. Frank Stretton says Kelly is now an emaciated opium fiend. On this train, "under cover" from St. Louis Union, was Frank Stretton, whom I last heard of as reading proof in the G. P. O. Stretton segregated all of those twenty-seven strike-breakers that were worth touching, and on their arrival brought them up to the union offices.

Fraternally,

H. HERBERT STEELE.

THE TORONTO CONVENTION

Shelby Smith on the Rack For Criticism of Executive Council.

THE TYPOTHETAE ISSUES DEFY

Columbia Union Honored in Selection of Reading Clerk and Chairman of Laws Committee—Colorado Springs Hot After Next Convention—Notes.

The fifty-first convention of the International Typographical Union met at Toronto last Monday.

After the usual preliminary incident to the opening of the convention, President Lynch declared the convention open for business.

We quote from the report in the Toronto *Globe*, as follows:

Delegate Smith of Philadelphia, introduced the Philadelphia trouble, in which the Executive of the I. T. U. have been publicly accused of trying to crush Typographical Union No. 2.

President Lynch, speaking for the Executive, said that if they had banded together for such a purpose they were not fit officers to carry on the business of this convention. "There is no middle course," he said. "Either we are union men or not, and if not we are not in our proper sphere. The Committee on Appeals shall report its verdict in this case without delay."

Several of the Philadelphia delegates jumped to their feet and there was every prospect of a battle at the very outset. The matter was finally referred to the committee, and they will report this morning if possible.

Delegate Smith challenged for the right to take up the Philadelphia troubles before the Executive.

"He will meet the convention on this floor," replied President Lynch, with evident warmth.

Subsequently, at Wednesday's session, the Committee on Appeals and Grievances recommended that Shelby Smith be expelled from the I. T. U. and that Philadelphia Union be directed to expel him within thirty days under penalty of losing its charter.

At the session on Tuesday President Ellis, of the National Typothetæ, addressed the Eight-Hour Committee and issued an ultimatum on behalf of the Typothetae. From an Associated Press dispatch of August 15 he is reported as follows:

President Ellis, of the National Typothetæ, appeared today before the committee appointed by the Typographical Union to consider the eight-hour day movement. Mr. Ellis said emphatically that the employers would not consent to the eight-hour day. If there is to be a strike in January to carry that point, he said, let it come; the bosses will be prepared for it. The committee will report on Thursday.

Mr. Ellis denied having said that it was "a crime against the Constitution to make a contract with organized labor." The employing printers were unanimous in the conviction that to shorten the hours of work would be ruinous. Those who approved the reduction from ten to nine hours were now opposed to it.

"The theory that about as much could be accomplished in nine hours as in ten is a delusion," he said. "Not only is no more work done, but the better work which it was prophesied would result has not been forthcoming. The decrease in hours and increase in wages since 1898 amounted in the average to a 33 1-3 per cent increase.

"The situation narrows itself down to this," he concluded, "if you insist upon the eight-hour day the employing printers of America must fight you. We have no idea that in every place we will be successful, but we are confident that in the majority of cases we will win."

NOTES.

J. R. Alford, well known to printers in the G. P. O., is representing Manila (P. I.) Union, No. 626, at the convention.

In the present convention Washington has received recognition in the appointment of Joe M. Johnson as chairman of the Committee on Laws, while James Monroe Kreiter is the reading clerk.

From a general standpoint this convention will be one of the most important conventions held in years past, as action on the eight-hour day will undoubtedly be taken reaffirming the action at St. Louis last year.

Colorado Springs is putting up a strong and picturesque fight for the convention. Chas. M. Carter, formerly of New York Union No. 6, is in charge of Colorado Springs Union campaign. Pittsburg and Newark will have considerable trouble in securing the convention with Colorado Springs in the field.

Among The Building Trades

EDITED BY W. E. KENNEDY.

STRUCTURAL ALLIANCE.

Julius Cohen, who sells "cloding" at Seventh and L streets, northwest, has made it possible to have a marked-down, re-building sale of "gents' cloding" by employing non-union painters and carpenters to do his work, and after being talked to by the Business Agents of these trades seemed to be "tickled to death" with the knowlegde that he could save money that way, and sell his "cloding" cheaper than the other "fair" merchants.

The Alliance is also "looking up" those builders who employ non-union mechanics to build the houses they sell to many men who belong to organized labor, and it is likely our readers will have a list of these unfair houses soon, as good houses *not to buy*.

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ELECTRICAL WORKERS, NO. 26.

This Local, at its last meeting, was entertained for a while by a committee from the Carpet Mechanics, telling them about their friend (?) Peter Grogan. The result of their "entertainment" shows on the minutes this way: "Moved—That any of our members found dealing with Peter Grogan until such a time as said Peter makes good with Carpet Mechanics, be fined $25.00, and the Central Labor Union, as well as Mr. Grogan, be notified of our decision." Carried *unanimously*.

Ex-Officer (of this District) Dale Smith was present, made a few remarks, and attended the "session."

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TINNERS.

Their convention has been finished, and some of the "honors" have "lit" on one of our Washington boys—Joe Daly. He was elected fourth grand vice-president. Those of us who know "Joe" do not doubt the wisdom of this selection, for he has been a faithful and tireless local worker, both for his own craft and all others in the District, and the Sheet Metal Workers may rest assured that as a national officer "Joe" will make good. It *was* true (the rumor of the president "not being a candidate for re-election"). *He surely is a rarity.*

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SHEET METAL WORKERS.

Their convention adjourned Saturday, and the delegates returned to their homes well satisfied with the work they had accomplished. The convention was first intended to be special, but after it was ordered called was turned into a regular convention. The most important matter to be arranged was to create a death benefit. This they have done by levying an assessment of $1.00 semi-annually, which can not be used for any other purpose. Another important matter was an amalgamation with the Coppersmiths. This, too, was done, and only awaits the action of the executive board of that trade, which will be favorable no doubt.

There were also some changes made among their grand officers, some promoted, others retired. General Organizer M. O. Sullivan was made grand president; P. J. Downey, of Albany, N. Y., was made general organizer. Thomas Redding succeeded Hugh Franey as first vice-president; John McTigue, who had been third was "moved up" to second vice-president to take the place of John H. Kennedy, retired; John Winfield of Boston, who was sixth vice-president, "moved up" to third vice-president; Joseph A. Daly of this city, was elected fourth vice-president, succeeding E. J. Kelly retired; James Ryan, of Buffalo, succeeded J. S. Shillaber, of San Francisco, as fifth vice-president; I. F, Taylor of Chester, Pa., was elected sixth vice-president; John E. Bray was re-elected secretary-treasurer, and also made a member of the executive board.

The office of seventh vice-president was created, and awaits the decision of the Coppersmiths; such decision being favorable they will find the man for that office.

The Coppersmiths were given full trade autonomy. Affiliation with the Structural Alliance is to be settled by the new executive board. Withdrawal from the National Building Trades Council was also decided by the board.

The election of "Joe" Daly as fourth vice-president is a matter of much pleasure to "we-uns" here in the District. Joe, for many years has been well known to us here, and his active participation in local matters would be a "safe bet" to those who honored him that he will make an efficient, faithful and painstaking officer, and be "moved up a peg" next time. Good luck, "Joe."

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STRUCTURAL IRON WORKERS.

The strike called against the American Bridge Co. affects quite a large number (100) of the members of the Local here. F. M. Biggs, Business Agent for this Local, has gone on a "tour" through Virginia and West Virginia, where most of the affected men have been working, building bridges for some of the railroads, and his reasons for going is to "carry the glad tidings" to the affected men.

That he will be successful is not questioned, for the Iron Workers have a bad (?) habit of following the orders of their executive officers, and when these "orders" are likely to embarass the American Bridge Co. they are all willing to "quit at the drop of a hat."

May they succeed this time as well as they did when trying "conclusions" with this company a couple years ago at Pittsburg! So say we all.

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BRICKLAYERS.

The Bricklayers held their election (or part of it) last Thursday night. W. J. Roach was the successful candidate for president; Joseph Hutton, vice-president.

That "good old wagon," Bob McMackin, after many years of service, concluded to rest a while, declined the nomination, and John T. Kenealy will make them their next faithful financial secretary; H. M. Shook, recording secretary.

The "old war horse," Milford Spohn, was continued as corresponding secretary; William Goddard takes care of the "check book," and M. I. McNulty "handles the mace" as sergeant-at-arms. When they got that far along the "wee sma' hours" caught them, and so they would be able to "do their bit" next—(I mean) that day—the Chairman announced "'twill be continued in our next."

The Miscellaneous Trades.

PLATE PRINTERS UNION, NO. 2.

Plate Printers Union, No. 2, met last Sunday, at Typographical Temple in regular session. Action was taken indorsing the fight of Carpet Mechanics Union, No. 1, against the Peter Grogan Co., and that firm will be notified that until it makes its peace with Carpet Mechanics Union, No. 1, that members of Plate Printers Union, No. 2, will not patronize that firm.

J. C. Spencer was elected to fill a vacancy as delegate to the Central Labor Union.

Two new members were obligated, Jacob M. Kimball and Robert Hulse.

The Sick Committee reported great distress among the members at the Bureau, owing to the protracted hot weather, but no prostrations.

The Excursion Committee reported that all arrangements for the excursion to Marshall Hall, Saturday, August 19, were perfected, and that all is needed is good weather and good attendance to make the excursion a social and financial success.

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TEAMSTERS.

The re-election of "Dinny" Shea by such a close margin as president of the Teamsters, reminds the writer of how close "Dinny" came to having an opportunity to "get back on the coal cart."

While he was attending the A. F. of L. Convention in 'Frisco, some of the delegates, mentioning the fact that he "might not be re-elected" to "Dinny," were told in his "divil-may-care way," "What's the odds; they may not let me be their president again, but derned if any of them can stop me from getting up on a coal cart again, and I can do that just as well—and proudly—now as I could before I became a 'Skate'."

Those who know Denny know he spoke as he felt. There were many changes, however, even if Denny did win "by a neck." This seems to be a season for making "ex's."

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BUTCHERS, NO. 148,

Delegate Helmuth, (Central Labor Union), has received a communication from the International commending the stand taken by the Local to "oppose the placing of Golden upon the unfair list until such a time as the matter has been referred to his Local, and a joint committee composed of Butchers and Stationary Engineers have tried to effect a settlement peaceably with Mr. Golden." Inasmuch as the Butchers would be most affected by any action that would make Golden "unfair," and were not, though the most affected, consulted in the matter, it would seem but just that they would have something to say in an effort to get the matter adjusted before placing this firm on the "unfair" list.

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BAKERS.

John Weber, representing the national body, accompanied by a local committee, Schmidt, Schulze, Gier, and Gutzman, went over to Alexandria, Va., last Saturday, where some differences had arisen between the Bakers' Local there and the Corby Co. regarding the number of hours worked. The matter was settled satisfactorily by the firm agreeing to work the bakers there the same number of hours each week as here. The arbitration clause in the contract here was also placed in the Alexandria contract.

Personal Mention.

T. T. Nock, delegate from Birmingham (Ala.) Typographical Union, No. 104, joined the Washington party to the I. T. U. convention and spent a day seeing the many beauties of the capital city.

Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, was in New York on Wednesday attending a conference which will try and settle the Brewers' trouble in the East. Mr. Morrison will visit Toronto about the close of the I. T. U. convention, en route to Detroit, for a short stay in that city.

Dan W. Green, delegate from Atlanta (Ga.) Typographical Union, No. 48, called at this office en route to New York, where he joined the "Nate Newman Special" for the Toronto convention. Dan will be a triple-ex after this week, having represented his Union in 1890 and 1902 in previous conventions.

Charles W. Pafflow, of this city, is a visitor at the Toronto I. T. U. convention. Mr. Pafflow has a unique folding card, one scene being expressive of Russia and Japan receiving the kind offices of this country for a peaceful solution of the present war and the other scene showing the ultimate triumph of the printer in securing the eight-hour day.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, left Tuesday to attend the convention of the International Typographical Union. Mr. Gompers will address the convention on the eight-hour day, a question that he has championed for a quarter of a century. Mr. Gompers' itinerary on this trip also includes a lecture tour on the coast of Maine, arranged by Mr. Stuart Reid, the A. F. of L. organizer in that section.

Bloomer Wants Beans.

"Pard" Bloomer, knocker that he is, but, still, in my opinion, the peer of any labor writer in America, has evidently been discriminated against in one of the numerous hash houses of the nation's capital. Bloomer contributes to many of the leading labor journals of the country and his writings are copied far and wide. This is due to a great extent from the fact that his personal acquaintance extends to nearly every newspaper shop in America, and, above all, that his articles are readable and entertaining. He is one of the few remaining "Missouri River Pirates," famous in printing circles some thirty years ago, and it does seem a pity to see the old fellow in his declining days deprived of this toothsome delicacy—beans.—*Elizabeth City North Carolinian.*

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The Shelby Smith Case.

Reports from Toronto have it that SHELBY SMITH, now of Philadelphia, and recently of Washington, is slated for expulsion on account of criticism of the Executive Council of the I. T. U. in his paper, *The Trades Union News*.

At the opening of the session on Monday SMITH precipitated the conflict, and the case was immediately sent to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, which committee very promptly sustained the Executive Council and recommended SMITH's expulsion and the suspension of Philadelphia Union should it fail to carry out the recommendation of the committee within thirty days.

Viewing the matter dispassionately and at a distance it is hardly probable that the convention will adopt the report of the committee. If it is the desire of President LYNCH and Secretary BRAMWOOD to punish SMITH for his attack on the Executive Council for seeming dereliction of duty toward Philadelphia Union, something milder than a separation from membership can be found.

If we can not discuss the acts of our executive officers we may as well surrender all right to free action as members.

The intent of the charges against SMITH will have the effect of clouding the real issue in the case, *i. e.*, the refusal of the Executive Council to carry out the instructions of the Washington and St. Louis conventions to extend aid to Philadelphia in its fight to regain Philadelphia to the Union.

The rank and file of the I. T. U. are not interested in what the executive officers may think is best from a line of policy dictated by personal political reasons for future success in holding the offices they now occupy, but want a square deal for Philadelphia and every other Union under our charter, irrespective of the fact that it may affect the political fortunes of our leaders next May.

The die is cast. The moment we find it necessary to place our executives on the defensive, then comes occasion for a change, and no matter what the Toronto convention may do in the SMITH case we may look for a change through the referendum in the next election.

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FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

The only news that I have heard from Toronto up to the time when this report had to close, owing to the exigencies of a great paper, was that Joe M. Johnson had been elected chairman of the Laws Committee and that our great and onliest James Monroe Krieter was appointed reading clerk of the convention, both of which facts were foregone conclusions to one capable of correctly interpreting the signs of the times.

The selection by President James M. Lynch of Mr. Johnson for membership on the Laws Committee was a recognition of his superb ability, as was his election by the committee as its chairman. Washington is one of the few cities—perhaps the only one—that always send great men to the convention, owing to the opportunities for wire pulling and bossism in large organizations. This is as true in their representation in Congress and the State legislatures as in conventions of workingmen—that small men get to the fore from the great cities, while the brains come from the small cities and country districts—and the splendid victory of Mr. Johnson last May was accomplished as the result of the defeat of such attempts here at boss rule. His preferment at Toronto shows that the printers of the country are in accord with Columbia Union in estimating his ability.

And the selection as reading clerk of Mr. Krieter was, in its way, another evidence of the unerring judgment of Mr. Lynch. It is not an office, it is true, that calls for massive folds of sound judgment; but if it did, Kreiter would be there with the goods. It requires, primarily, a man who can read, and secondly, a man who can read so that others can hear. No one who has ever heard Mr. Kreiter's clarion tones—and every one who has ever gone to a union meeting has heard them—can doubt his ability to make a convention hear. It does not require much elocution; but if it did, Mr. Kreiter would never be shy, as every one realizes who has even so much as heard him say, "Mr. President"—(commandingly and with dignity)—"I move you, sir"—(impressively and fervidly)—"that we"—(majestically and imperiously)—"do now adjourn!"—combatively and defiantly). He can put more true eloquence into a demand for consideration of a point of order than Judge Ennis can in a thirty-minute speech on the constitution or Dan Vaughan in opposition thereto, and does anybody doubt his ability to read resolutions of thanks for invitations to visit beer gardens? President Lynch did not, nor is there one among us who does.

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Clair C. Barnes, of the Proof Room Annex, who spent all of last week, as a member of the District National Guard, up at Harpers Ferry seeing that there was no resumption of the John Brown uprising, had the misfortune to have his right hand crushed between the trail of a gun and a wheel of its caisson, and was consequently invalided during the greater part of the encampment. He still has a pooty punk hook, but can shove a pencil.

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Dr. William J. Manning truly has had hard luck in regard to his runaway boy. After an absence of nearly four years, he was located in Iowa by the efforts of the Salvation Army, and when the Doctor sent him a railroad ticket and $60 in money with which to tog up and come home, he disappeared again, without leaving a trace. During all the years of the boy's absence Dr. Manning has omitted no effort to try to find him, and now, when his and especially the boy's mother's hopes were raised to the highest, to have them disappointed is disheartening. Under the circumstances, it is not absolutely certain that the boy was found at all, and that the parents are not the victims of a shrewd scoundrel who had formed enough facts out of the Salvation Army folks to enable him to make the play for money "to come home on."

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One day last week I read an Associated Press dispatch to the effect that the strike of the telegraphers in the Northwest was so far a failure that all trains were running and practically all telegraph offices manned. The next day another dispatch in the same paper stated that the boards of trade, chambers of commerce, and other business associations, and the farmers were holding meetings and demanding that some settlement of the strike be made, so that crops could to be moved and business be resumed. Now, it is impossible, in the nature of the things, that the second dispatch was untruthful. Why, then, was the lie of the day before sent out? There is so much of this misstatement of the facts whenever there is a strike that those of the public who care to know the truth realize that they can place know dependence whatever in an Associated Press dispatch when organized labor is concerned. Gentlemen of the press, you have a right to your opinion on any and all subjects, and for one I do not blame you for sympathizing with your class—the capitalists—but as a patron of your papers the workingman has a right to demand that you shall not lie to him in your news columns. News should be unbiassed and truthful. There are editorial columns for the expression of opinions and sympathies. Except the most ignorant and the most prejudiced, who want to believe all evil of the trades unionist, no one does or can believe a word sent out by the Associated Press regarding a strike.

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Frank D. Smith, of the Record Annex Proof Room, and family, went to Marietta, Ohio, on a visit last Thursday. A letter received from him on Friday, mailed at Cumberland, Md., was to the effect that so far the trip had been a success.

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Do you ever read the "Labor News" in the daily newspapers? If you do, have you ever seen a line printed under that heading that was worth a cent to the workingman? No, harmless generalties, brief references to meetings, statistics that have been emasculated of everything that could make a showing for capital on the wrong side of the ledger, paragraphs regarding wages in foreign countries—these form the "labor news" of the daily press. Oh, labor has some very good friends conducting labor columns, but they are not permitted to edit in anything that is favorable to the workingman's side of the contention. The "labor news" of the capitalistic newspaper is for the employer, not the employee or those who sympathize with him. This sort of news is prepared in accordance with the plan known as "How not to do it."

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Discussing the trip to Toronto one morning last week, before whistle blowing, with an old-time friend, he remarked:

"Well, I can't go, but if I had any intention of going the fact that Joe Johnson is there would prevent it."

"You're in the Third Division now, Bill, ain't you?" I asked.

"Yes," he answered. (Ax.)

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Chairman George H. Hayden, of the Sixth Division, received a letter from George F. Halsey, formerly of that Division, one day last week, dated at Empire, Canal Zone, July 27. Halsey is an employe of the pay department of the Panama Canal Commission, and this is the first letter of any length from him. Empire is on the highest ground between the two oceans, and Halsey says it has an ideal climate—only 84 to 86 degrees in the hottest part of the day and a blanket always necessary at night. The canal officials are cleaning up the cities and making them inhabitable for Americans. Vast quantities of the machinery of the French Canal Commission—locomotives, dump cars, dredges, cranes, and sectional steamboats—are lying around in the jungle, where they have been permitted to become ruined by the elements. He complains of his inability to get good cigars and American smoking tobacco. In one place he said one could hear of no "yellow jack," but in a postscript he said that one of the engineers at Culebra had died of the disease that day. He was well himself and hoping for immunity from "yellow jack" and Chagres fever.

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Delegate Russell P. Moore, representing Shreveport (La.) Union, No. 155, on his way to the Toronto, took a look through the G. P. O. last Thursday. Mr. Moore is a proofreader, and the various proof rooms were of the greatest interest to him, but he did not slight the other features.

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The other day I read in the papers that three book and job offices in Detroit have forced the fighting by declaring for the "open office" and installing one "rat" each, whereupon the union men came out in a bunch in each office. The proprietors can scarcely have heard of the recent attempt in San Francisco to establish the "open rat office" and its signal failure. All of these sporadic outbursts are inaugurated with the intention to take us piecemeal in the hope that we may exhaust our resources before the main battle begins. But, for all such efforts, I am persuaded that the National Typotheæ fully expects to see the eight-hour day established on January 1 next, and if they will only have the good sense to accept the inevitable and yield gracefully it will be much better for the finances of both parties. The time for the eight-hour day has come, and for the proprietors to resist it is as illogical as it was for the South to resist emancipation of the slaves, and it may be proportionately as disastrous for them, leaving us, as was the North at the end of that great struggle, somewhat tuckered, but the victors.

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Government Printing Office Council, No. 211, National Union, will give a complimentary excursion to River View next Thursday, August 24, as a sort of "make good" for the one earlier in the season, when the weather was so stormy that nothing but a duck could have lived in it. The steamer Pocahontas will leave her wharf at 10 a. m. and 2.15 and 6.45 p. m., and will return just before bedtime. G. P. O. Council excursions are too well known to need any advertising at my hands, and while there will undoubtedly be a great crowd, they are so well managed that everybody is pleased and only sorry when they are over.

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Next Sunday will be the regular monthly meeting day of Columbia Union, if you should want to attend and do not feel sure of the day.

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Organized labor has no more faithful exponent or able advocate than Albert E. Hill, editor of the Nashville *Labor Advocate*, and if not now president, recently so, of Nashville Typographical Union, No. 20. President Lynch early recognized his ability and energy by making him an organizer for the I.T.U., and he is one of the most zealous ones in the entire field. While his paper is devoted to the whole labor field, he gives much space to typographical matters, and in publishing the news of the craft Editor Bramwood has no abler second. Every trades union in Nashville subscribes for his paper for its entire membership, enabling Editor Hill to make it the splendid paper that it is.

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Secretary August Donath told me the other day that the Mutual Investment Company now has sufficient funds to buy another piece of real estate and that he is looking around for an investment.

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I looked in on Titus F. Ellis the other day. He has the cigar and news privileges at the Washington station of the Mount Vernon Railroad, at 1202 Pennsylvania avenue, where he is doing all kinds of business. He is an encyclopedia of trains to Alexandria, Mount Vernon, and Arlington, as well as of the historic places and the sights and scenes in near-by Virginia. D. D. Hemming, an old-time printer, well known in this city as well as formerly throughout the country, acts as Ellis' assistant when the business gets heavier than one man can handle. While Titus is doing a fine business, he always takes time to talk to any of his old friends when they drop in to see him.

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C. I. Willey is making a red-hot secretary in the absence of Secretary George G. Siebold at the I. T. U. convention. He is the "Little Willey" correspondent who formerly did the *Post* news for us so delightfully, but who got tired and quit.

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I heard the gratifying news the other day that Col. G. Harry Stone was married in Baltimore recently—at any rate, since the last issue of THE TRADES UNIONIST—though the name of the lady who has made him happy has not come to my ears. Strictly, I have no business with this piece of news, being outside of my bailiwick and in one in which there is an able correspondent; but I will mention it lest he forget—lest he forget.

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Crane's—J. Harry Phillips.
Howard's—E. E. Edelen.

AMUSEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

CHASE'S THEATRE.

DAILY MATINEES AND EVENINGS.

That the public are still interested in vaudeville has been readily demonstrated at Chase's during this the opening week. The show itself is good, and the music new and catchy. The best attraction presented is that of the Colby Family in the shape of a musical novelty entertainment. The family have a remarkable talent, and the recounting of their scene has not the sameness which old theatre-goers are used to, making it very interesting. The McBann Brothers, John Birch, Mme. Therese Dorgeval, Cheridah Simpson, Charley Guyer and Nellie O'Neil are some of the other attractions, and all are well worthy of appearing before an appreciative Washington audience.

EXCURSIONS.

Plate Printers Union, No. 2, Saturday, August 19, 1905, at Marshall Hall. Band Concert, Athletic Sports, Prize Bowling. Fourteen events, comprising sprint and long distance races. Forty handsome prizes. Full corps of competent judges in events.

G. P. O. Council, No. 211, National Union. Complimentary excursion to its friends to River View, Thursday, August 24, due to inclemency of weather on last regular excursion.

Columbia Typographical Union.

ARRIVALS—J. H. Bastable, Indianapolis, Ind.; F. H. Long, Roanoke, Va;. C. W. Axe, Philadelphia, Pa.; T. F. Stephens, Baltimore, Md.; C. C. Conlee, Norfolk, Va.; James E. Brister, Norfolk, Va.; G. R. Scott, Winchester, Va.; W. A. McClellan, Baltimore, Md.; A. McIntosh, Raleigh, N. C.; J. O. Macallister, W. B. Lowd, Atlanta, Ga.

DEPARTURES—W. G. Rabold, Joseph S. Albin, W. R. McKenley, E. A. Vogts, Charles Banes, W. S. Williams, William F. Nichols, John F. Newton, John S. Miskimen, Carroll Harbaugh.

GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

Charlie Barton is at Atlantic City.

W. M. Nelson and wife have gone to Kansas.

W. H. Bright reported for work on Monday.

Cheep up, old man, it might have been worse.

Another temporary detail to the Specification Room.

J. W. Mathers is enjoying himself down at Wilkinson's, on the Potomac.

W. Fred. Councell is in charge of the press during the absence of C. J. Alexander.

Regret to learn that R. L. Thompson is unable to work on account of bad health.

Charlie Graff, of the Department of Commerce of Labor, is an occasional visitor.

C. J. Alexander and wife are passing their annual vacation at their New York home.

During the week Messrs. Clark, Thompson, Orth, and Sehorn returned from their leave.

W. F. P White (86) has showed up bright and smiling since the expiration of his leave.

John C. Lightcap reported for work on Tuesday after a week's visit to Colonial Beach.

W. C. Jordan, recently transferred from the Treasury Division, has been assigned to slug 32.

In the absence of Foreman Bowen at Toronto, George R. Boone is in charge of the Division.

Owing to the absence of T. Frank Morgan, Maker-up Haworth occupies a chair within the cage.

Not a line from John S. Burnside up to the time of closing our letter. Must have been sidetracked.

Farmer Haas presented some of his friends with tomatoes from his garden that weighed 4½ pounds each.

T. Frank Morgan and wife are enjoying a week's outing up at Mountain Lake Park, in the Allegheny Mountains.

The eight "good and faithful" soldiers of the D. C. N. G., have returned from the recent war up at Harpers Ferry.

After thirty days delightfully passed at Washington Grove, C. Perry Brown reported for work on Thursday. Glad to see you back.

Frank Burnside and wife are enjoying the delightful breezes at Washington's Coney Island—Colonial Beach. Say, old man, can you do that?

T. T. Nock, delegate to Toronto from No. 104, Birmingham, Ala., paid his old friend, Secretary Lillard, a brief call during his stay in Washington.

J. Monroe Kreiter, of the Washington *Post*, is the reading clerk of the I. T. U. convention at Toronto, Canada. A good selection. Delegate Joe M. Johnson is the chairman of the Committee on Laws.

We understand that Titus F. Ellis, formerly employed in this Division, but latterly of the Proof Room, is enjoying a lucrative trade at the Mt. Vernon Railway news stand, 1202 Pennsylvania avenue.

Tickets have been issued for a complimentary excursion to River View under the auspices of G. P. O. Council, No. 211, National Union, Thursday, August 20, 1905. The officers fully expect a special brand of favorable weather for this particular date.

President J. E. Colton, of G. P. O. Council, No. 211, informs us that draft No. 7249 on the benefit fund of the National Union for $1,000, in payment of the claim of the late S. F. Elwood, has been received and forwarded to the beneficiaries.

Latest word from Toronto, as per postal card on the bulletin board Tuesday noon, reports: "Big convention. Washington is in it with a good crowd. Lookout for Jim. Things are booming already." Hurrah for 101, and let us hope she will always win out.

We note the following persons going on leave, beginning Thursday, August 17: A. L. Huss, William E. Lewis, C. L. Williams, J. L. Getman, M. DeW. Siewers, W. J. McEvoy, W. A. H. Turner, Frank J. Maloy, George P. Dowell, William Hutchinson, and R. N. Carter—11.

Colonel Bentz and wife, from latest advices, are having a fine time at Colonial Beach. And by the way the G. P. O. is fairly well represented at the Beach, both by resident summer dwellers and by the Saturday night and Sunday boats. O, say, did you ever get left and be compelled to return on the freight ship?

ROUGH WRITER.

Royal Pilsen Beer on Draught Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll North Capitol and G street.

Sixth Division.

The regular stated meeting of Columbia Union occurs next Sunday. Ladies and gents, do your duty.

Chairman George Hayden took up the affairs of state in this Division last week, after fifteen days leave of absence.

A. Z. Hunt took possession of Merg. 10 on Friday. During the fifteen days on leave, Mr. Hunt visited different resorts around Washington.

B. R. Preuss, Merg. 7, enjoyed a part of last week on a fishing trip down the river. Modesty prevented him from stating the exact number caught.

The G. P. O. Base Ball League has suspended operations. Now, Mr. ex-Manager Johnnie Williams, how about those two-bits you collected from us last Spring?

James W. Weaver says Dan C. Vaughan will be the next president of Columbia Union. They are some subjects on which Danny and James can always agree.

Most all of the Sixth Division soldiers returned to work on Saturday from the Harper's Ferry camp. A few who were killed in action did not show up until Monday.

Poor old Pard! When he read my verses welcoming home our brave soldier boys, he bowed his head low and murmured "'tis rotten." Jealousy, thy name is Bloomer.

From the lowly ranks of a private in military affairs to a commanding general in civilian life, rose Johnnie Stowell on Saturday, when he resumed his labors in this Division.

After thirty days' leave of absence Imposer Charles Slentz again took charge of the bank on Saturday. Mr. Slentz has been having a high old time up in the mountains of Pennsylvania and seaside resorts.

Harry E. Giles and George S. Fletcher, of this Division, took in the Wm. H. Collins Council excursion to Chesapeake Beach last week. The result of a day's crabbing was just 240 crabs according to Giles, and 39 as told by Fletcher.

Machine Helper M. M. Cronin is back from thirty days' leave. During that time Mike followed the Washington base ball team pretty nearly around the circuit, on one occasion going from Pittsburg to Cleveland to see a double-header.

Up in the First Division there is a young gentleman who wears a smile that won't come off. Dr. James K. Wallace is the gentleman, and its all because a little boy, the first in the family, has recently arrived at his home on New York avenue.

There is a small rumor going the rounds to the effect that Mrs. Wilson, who was recently sent to the Home from this Union, is dissatisfied with the management of the Home. This seems strange in view of the fact that it is almost universally conceded to be an exceptionally well-managed institution.

Congratulations to James Monroe Krieter, reading clerk of the Toronto session of the I. T. U. Naturally I feel very happy over this appointment, for I indorsed him for the job shortly after his failure to connect with the same thing at St. Louis. Columbia Union is getting to be a big girl in I. T. U. affairs nowadays.

"When you are giving the names of presidential possibilities." said a gentleman to me recently, who has cut considerable ice in union affairs in times past, "why don't you name Foreman Hastings, of the War branch, or Harry O'Donnell, of the Agricultural branch?" True, indeed, why didn't I? For it is a well-known fact that the gentlemen above mentioned have been flirting with the presidency of Columbia Union for several years, and that either would probably be willing to occupy the high office were the demands for their services in that capacity sufficiently strong. However, if the gentlemen continue to "feel that way," a little quiet hustling will be in order, as the indications are that next year will be an off year for the office seeking the man.

The news that Charles H. Ennis, of the Record Proof Room, has instituted suit against Dan S. Herzog to establish his right to $333.33, of $1,000 which Herzog recently received as judgment for as guardian of his wife, is interesting indeed to this Division. Last winter Miss Louisa Silvey, daughter of the Sixth Division caterer, was severely injured by a large crane in operation on the H street viaduct. As a lawyer "Judge" Chas. Ennis was instructed to bring suit against the company. In the meantime Daniel Herzog, who was copy collator in this Division, falls in love with the charming Louisa, and soon Miss Silvey becomes Mrs. Herzog. Then Dan sues the company as guardian of his wife who is yet a minor, and gets judgment for $1,000. To the judge's way of thinking it didn't look like the proper thing, and through the courts he is seeking to get what he believes he is entitled to. Of course it is all law, and few of us are supposed to understand the fine points involved, but if I were the Judge, I believe I would just knock off the 33 cents and call it square with the dollars.

In giving the names of those honest lawyers last week for consideration by the Equitable Company, I deny any intention on my part to convey the idea that they were the only honest ones in the G. P. O. service. The timekeeper of this Division, Mr. Edward Moores, is a lawyer—an honest lawyer. Were he so disposed, he could use enough letters after his name to fill a thin-spaced agate line thirty ems in length. But he doesn't—which fact alone shows his honesty. There were other reasons, however, which prompted me to conceal the name of this eminent disciple of Blackstone from the directors of the Equitable Company. The Government must be considered. Just as the great Secretary of State has sacrificed financial possibilities for duty to his country, so should our worthy timekeeper continue to give Uncle Sam his services instead of devoting his time to the vulgar affairs of a commercial world and taking the filthy lucre of cold-blooded corporations. If the head of the Equitable insists, however, insists upon the sacrifice, reluctantly will we part with our honest lawyers, but to give up our timekeeper—no, Mr. Morton, some other day, not now.

I have been accused (wrongfully, of course) of misquoting the Division punster, Daniel McFadden, when I gave to the world last week the reasons why a saloon keeper had a right to lick his wife. Now, I dont claim to be infallible in a matter of that kind, but the weight of that joke was a heavy burden to carry, and I am willing to let it pass with that excuse for an apology. It reminds me, however, that one evening the father of a few charming daughters in this town, came home, and to the first one who greeted him, said:

"Well, Lizzie, I have secured a new job, today."

"Good, father," said the innocent, "what is it?"

"Picking 'currents' from the electric wires," said pa.

Then Lizzie thought it over and awaited the home-coming of a sister.

When the sister hove in sight she went to greet her:

"Say, Sis, I've been down street today and I've secured a good job."

"Is that so," said Sis. "What now?"

"Oh," replied Lizzie, "picking 'raisins' off the electric wires."

But the sister didn't see the joke.

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A genuine cause for regret has overtaken that man who can no longer eat green corn unless it is separated from the cob.

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It doesn't take globe sight to trace the bee line T. Monroe Kreiter took from Washington to the chair of reading clerk.

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The cap I is overworked when employed so frequently that the grouping suggests a resemblance to the poles in a hop-yard.

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We followed with pleasure the trail made by F. A. Roderick in his hasty flight to Canada, as published in last week's issue.

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This will be a much better world if men ever arrive at that stage when they cheerfully do others as they would that others should do them.

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In purchasing bureaus or dressers women are more or less influenced by the impressions they get from the mirrors, or what they see in them.

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Whenever a list of the oldest inhabitants of the G. P. O. is published a number of "Me Toos," not included, immediately rise for recognition.

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The power of momentum is best understood by that person who gets out of bed half asleep and attempts to walk in a dark room with half a dozen chairs in the way.

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Every well-regulated household should be in possession of a microscope, if for no other reason than to locate the ice cakes delivered during the months of July and August.

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Doctors generally agree that water should be boiled to destroy typhoid germs, and the gas companies are unanimously of the opinion that the water should be boiled twenty minutes at least.

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There is a significance in the interest manifested in calendars by the man who has just returned from a protracted leave, as with dwelling impression he presses a finger against the date indicating the next pay day.

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The good people of Anacostia "struck" against what they termed poor car service; but this does not prove that some of these same good people would favor a strike where the contention was for better wages for street-car employes.

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The I. T. U. would better address itself to questions of vital importance rather than to personal controversies, which can result only in bad blood and great harm to the entire membership. Send the dirty linen to the laundry and work for the eight-hour day.

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The politicians are trying to inveigle John D. Rockefeller into the notion that it would be a good way for him to win vindication by accepting the nomination for mayor of Cleveland. The mere suggestion is sufficient to show that the home mission fund of Cleveland needs replenishing.

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The Sixth Division correspondent has opened the campaign rather early by leading to the footlights a few of the availables for next Spring's race. He shows a lack of compassion by naming those who must now be on their good behavior and daily wear the smile that won't come off for nine months, at least. By courtesy, and as is the annual custom, some down-town men are included in this list of possibilities; but next Spring, when the days begin to lengthen, the feeling will likely begin to strengthen that the down-town people can afford to wait another year, and so on. Why not elect twelve presidents—one for each month of the year, and in this way clear the docket and stimulate competition for the best service?

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People all have their notions as to what constitutes real enjoyment when it comes to annual leave taking. Of course that which would suit one would be "pizen" to another. One who appreciates pure mountain air, good living, rich landscape scenery and the communion of kindred spirits has found something to his liking up in West Virginia. His last trip there was full of bliss, as one might guess by reading this:

There is no place that fills the bill
Like "Mountain View," near Hedgesville.
That is the place which I love best,
Because 'tis there I find sweet rest.
'Tis there that kindred spirits meet
And one gets all he wants to eat.
'Tis there a week seems like a day,
And one could wish to always stay.

The reader can imagine for himself what the effect would have been if our friend had remained a whole month.

CYCLE.

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Labor Day Outing.

Among the attractions on September 4, at Bennings Race Course, will be a game of base ball between two local amateur teams, the Columbia Athletic Club vs. The Navy Department Base Ball Team. Both clubs stand well among the local clubs and should put up a good game.

Of course there will be a prize, just to make it interesting, and in consequence both clubs will exert themselves to score the winning tally.

The Nationals and other professional ball teams may get "rough house" notions, but such performances do the club more harm than good. At the same time much of this trouble is generally caused by bad decisions on the part of the umpire. Well, right here is where the Committee on Sports used good judgment and secured the services of Mr. Albert Parsons (well known as "Tack") to hand out the decisions on the fine points of the game, and when he renders a decision, no matter how close "you root," he has the undivided support of the fans that the player is out.

The carnival is forming, gathering volume day by day, and looks like a winner. There will be fun along the line and will add materially to the entertainment of all.

Lovers of good racing will get their money's worth and then some, on this Labor Day celebration, for there will be five auto races, also a motor cycle and a bicycle race.

Bear in mind the injunction, "Come early and avoid the rush." The rush will be with the Central Labor Union as heretofore.

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International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.—Headquarters, Rooms 103-104 Corcoran Building. H. W. Sherman, Secretary.

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LOCAL AUXILIARIES.

Allied Printing Trades Council meets last Thursday in the month at Typographical Temple. Elmer Johnson, Secretary, No. 2009 Flagler street northwest.

Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13, of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101. Mrs. A. C. Webb, president, 314 Tenth street northeast; Mrs. E. H. Thomas, secretary, The Bertholdt, 128 Maryland avenue southwest. Meets at Typographical Temple first Monday in each month.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 333 I street s w.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

Bricklayers, No. 1, meets second and fourth Thursdays in each month at Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. Milford Spohn, Secretary, 1238 Eighth street northwest.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—John G. Wolfe, Chairman, 1023 New Jersey avenue northwest; John T. Kenealy, Secretary, 1230 Four-and-a half street southwest; T. Costello, 37 K street northwest; Jos. Hutton, 809 F street southwest; James Murtaugh, 3160 P street northwest.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5, meets every Friday night at 7.30, in Hall 1, Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. George W. Nyman, Secretary, 1253 Eighth street northwest.

Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

Electrotype Molders and Finishers, No. 17, I. S. and E. U. Meets Wonn's Hall, 721 Sixth street northwest, the first Thursday of each month. H. C. Poppe, Secretary-Treasurer.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, Amalgamated, No. 148, meets second and fourth Wednesdays at 922 Pennsylvania avenue n. w. Martin Hellmuth, Secretary, 609 D street southwest.

Plate Printers Union, No. 2, meets on second Sunday in each month at 2.30 p. m., at Typographical Temple, 425 G street northwest. J. Edward Beach, President; J. C. Staats, Secretary, Kensington, Md.

Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Union, No. 11773, meets second Tuesday in each month at 7.30 p. m., Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. Frank F. Hartwell, Secretary, 810 Twentieth street northwest.

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, First Branch, meets every alternate Monday evening at 610 G street northwest, Building Trades Hall. President, R. R. Rhodes. Financial and Recording Secretary, Fred Hook, 1034 Sixth street northeast. Business Agent, W. F. Gilmore, 624 Sixth street northwest.

Tile Setters Helpers, Local No. 12, meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month in Room No. 3, Building Trades Halls, 624 Sixth street northwest. J. Pettis, Recording Secretary, 3409 N street northwest.

Washington Feeders and Assistants No. 42, meets the first Thursday in each month at Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Miss Josephine Mulcahy, Secretary, 29 N street northwest.

Steam Fitters, L. B. No. 10, N. A., meets the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. S. D. Zea, Secretary, 2108 G street northwest.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Samuel Lescallett, leading man in E. G. C. Shop, is critically ill at his home in Prince George County, Maryland, with typhoid. The good wishes of all his shopmates goes out to him with the hope of his recovery. Of all the members of the supervisory force I know of no one who is more universally liked than Sam.

Columbia Lodge of Machinists is now playing politics; that is, the members are exercising their rights under the new law, that of electing the grand officers by referendum. It is amusing to see the politicians from the States, temporarily sojourning in this city while employed in the Naval Gun Factory, following their old-time employment, that of buttonholing their companions and using all kinds of argument in their endeavors to prove that their candidate is the only pebble on the beach. But there are others. I could select the winning ticket by naming the men who will fill the several positions, but had better not, as it might stop the fun.

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Several hundred members of Columbia Lodge went to Alexandria last Tuesday evening to prove to the Hon. Claude Swanson that they had not forgotten the many kindnesses extended to the employes in the Yard by that worthy son of Virginia. There has never been an occasion when Columbia Lodge needed his assistance that he was found wanting.

After the meeting he held a reception in honor of his Washington visitors, and on being introduced as a representative of the *only labor paper* in this city I was congratulated, and he expressed himself in favor of such a paper whose columns he perused weekly.

If we had a majority of such men as Swanson in Congress labor would not have to beg for a pittance, but to the contrary would obtain an equal share with capital. If I could name the next governor of Virginia it certainly would be *Claude A. Swanson.*

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SPOILED GUN SIGHTS.

The sensational story relative to spoiled gun sights of the *Colorado,* manufactured in the Naval Gun Factory, as published in the Washington *Times,* has culminated in a veritable mare's nest.

It was conceived and born of Sore Head as the result of a marriage with Envy. A full inquiry into the matter has established one fact, that a simple mistake by a workman was made that did not affect any of the material points of construction or in any manner decrease the strength of the sights.

It is an established fact that in all manufacturing plants errors or mistakes will occur, and it is also true that a mechanic who never made a mistake is one who has never been entrusted with fine mechanical work. Show me one who claims to have never made an error, either mechanically or professionally, and I will show you one who never amounted to recognition. It is through mistakes in this life that we arrive at a state of perfection.

One thing I seriously regret is the purported interview with the superintendent by a reporter of the *Star,* wherein he is quoted that, in his judgment, the error was caused by the "machinists" who were trying to even up with him for recommending to the Department that they be not allowed the Saturday half holiday.

If the superintendent made such a statement then he is in error. Columbia Lodge of Machinists being the only large organized body in the Yard, by mutual consent is entrusted with the care and welfare of the employes, and in its efforts to advance labor, unionist and nonunionist share alike, and while Columbia Lodge is seeking advancement for its membership one and all are the beneficiaries.

Columbia Lodge stabs no one in the back, but fights its battles in the open, face to face with its opposition.

Is it just or fair to accuse an organization for the action of one individual? Is it not just as fair to accuse the United States Senate as being a body of "grafters" simply because two of its members have been convicted of malfeasance in office as to accuse the machinists in the Yard as a whole for the action of one whose action in the premises are not only repudiated by the members of Columbia Lodge, but by the employes generally?

When the matter has been sifted it will be found that it was not a workman, but one of the supervisory force, one in authority, who, in a fit of jealousy, because he had not been promoted as rapidly as he imagined he should be, took upon himself the responsibility of not only airing his grievance through the columns of the press, in violation of not only a strict rule of the Department, but in violation of all rules of decency, and, as as individual, he should be properly disciplined. But in all fairness to the true and well-tried employes, who have and are now proving their fidelity, not only to the Government, but to make the administration of the superintendent a grand success, is it just to lay the blame on the whole for the act of the individual?

If Columbia Lodge had taken cognizance of the charges and had attempted to substantiate them simply to "even up" with the superintendent, then he would have had a just cause to have made such a statement, but when the contrary is the case and its members repudiate not only the charge, but the one making it, I think it but proper that the superintendent should avail himself at once of the opportunity in refuting the statement made by the *Star,* "that the machinists were attempting to even up."

Columbia Lodge would gladly work hand in hand with, not only the superintendent, but with the Department, in making gun manufacture in the Yard a great success. It is to their interests to do so. This being an assured fact, is it reasonable to be supposed that the machinists would for a moment consider a proposition to commit or justify an act that would endanger their interests? To the contrary, they, particularly the members of Columbia Lodge, are strictly living up to the principle of unionism, "An honest day's work for an honest wage."

No member of Columbia Lodge can shirk his duty and expect the support of his organization. The superintendent has now in his possession the facts in the case, which clearly and positively exonerates "the machinists," and, possessing that knowledge, would it not be but fair that he either refute the statement in the *Star* or acknowledge through the same channels that the whole story was the work of an individual, thereby exonerating the great body of employes.

In a very short time Captain Pendleton will honorably retire from active service, and I feel assured that in his retirement he would be better satisfied to know that he carried into that retirement the best wishes of those over whom he has so long governed. Far better that way than to feel that as he journeys down the path of life to the grave that he has at last become an Ishmael whose hand is raised against the machinists and theirs raised against him. It is the brave man who acknowledges his error when thoroughly convinced.

TIM TICKLE.

The Labor Advocate.

We are in receipt of Vol. I, No. 1, of *The Labor Advocate* (Omaha, Nebr). This is a new venture in the labor field. The paper is conducted by A. D. Small and J. B. Southard. To recall Omaha to mind is also to associate *The Western Laborer* as the champion of labor in that city. *The Labor Advocate* may have a mission to perform, and if it can do as well as Frank A. Kennedy has done in bringing labor conditions in Omaha to the front it will have done well.

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JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

Sunday week there will be issued from an office on the lower avenue a sheet known at *Graft,* which, contributing its quota to the gaiety of the National Capital, will provoke both smiles and tears, principally tears, inasmuch as its avowed intention is to be a Knocker of Knockers.

Mr. Munsey's *Times* building, now rapidly approaching completion, is one of the show pieces of the upper avenue, and I have been enthusiastic thereof until the appearance of the green filigree tiling—a direct departure from the scheme to make Washington a "white city." I trust if the contractor persists in using the material it will be broken before it is hoisted into position.

You may remember that little cuddy-hole at the top of the stairs at the North Capitol street entrance to the G P. O. building. There one William Barnum reigned as sole copy editor. With the growth of the office his work assumed the proportions of a bureau, and Mr. Barnum's field of usefulness was extended by his taking charge of the publications of the Fish Commission, afterward becoming chief clerk of the Carnegie Institute.

I might extend this list in similar vein by mentioning School-mate Prather and State-citizen Kehoe, only I fear my readers will ask, "How about you, Maud, when all your buddies and running-mates move up the line?" in which event I would tell them the story of an old-time associate of Russell Sage, who applied to that "cinchy" individual for a loan of $50. "Why should I loan you $50?" was the inquiry. "Why, I knew you, Mr, Sage, when you were a stable boy." "Yes, but you are hostler still," was the reply.

Working on the archives of the Confederate Congress, I frequently encountered the name of Barksdale, as a member thereof in charge of the printing for the Confederate Government. Some years later it was the same Colonel Barksdale, I have reason to believe, elected to the National House of Representatives from Mississippi, became chairman of its printing committee. Parenthetically, he was a good friend of the boys in their struggle for an increased compensation for night over day work. At the Colonel's suggestion a red-headed boy, Carl Shafer by name, was put to work in the G. P. O., graduating into the proof room and thence to the War Department, where he now looks after the publications of the Adjutant-General's office.

Meeting me almost any hour of the twenty-four, my acquaintances inquire, "When do you sleep?" to which I reply, "I don't." So one morning I happened to be at the desk in the old *Record* room about 10 o'clock, when two young men, from Indiana, I learned, entered and inquired if "this was Captain Pearson?" I told them that nearly everybody in that room worked at night and to be assigned they had better report at 7 o'clock that evening, at which one of them became indignant; told me he did not come to Washington to take a night job, and forthwith blew out and forgot to come back. His partner, Mr. Arnold, I took in charge, and after a session of night work he was transferred to the Proof Room, where his abilities attracted the attention of the Mr. Barnum aforementioned. Later Mr. Arnold, I am informed, stood first in a competitive examination for copy editor in the Agricultural Department. Since then his footsteps have been followed in a measure by Messrs. Bailey, Cornman, and Stallings. Mr. A., after various promotions, is now acting chief of the Publications Division of that Department, with the number of employees directly under him running into the hundreds.

While working for the Fort Wayne Newspaper Union, Manager Wendel says to me: "You and your partner are to go up to Michigan and work a bluff. You are to get out a paper until we send for you." The paper was the *Leader,* the town Sturgis, St. Joe County. It seems the sheet, which had been served with a patent inside by our house, was on the ragged edge, and to secure any of the accumulated indebtedness for service the Newspaper Union had determined to foreclose on the plant, not let the paper miss an issue, and take chances on selling out to a more prosperous rival. "My partner" in running a newspaper in a strange country was Willis J. Fowler, and our escapades in midwinter in Southern Michigan would fill more than one chapter of "Every-Day Life." Suffice this chronicle to say the paper was sold, the management being so well pleased with our conduct in the premises as to make us a present of $5 each. Some time after Mr. Fowler came to Washington. On being assigned to work in one of the divisions of the G. P. O. he pleaded business down town and was excused for a few days; for, be it known, Mr. F., while familiar with newspaper work, never set a line of type in his life. Finally he landed, holding copy on the *Record.* When each copyholder was made a reader Mr. Fowler consulted me about taking an examination for "statistician," as I remember. To shorten the story, he has been promoted a half-dozen times, and now supervises the issuance of the numerous publications from the office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

H. S. SUTTON.

Government Ownership of the Telegraph.

Editor THE TRADES UNIONIST:

The railway telegraphers' strike has again brought forward, especially in the West, where the most serious aspect of the strike occurred, the agitation for Government control of the telegraph lines, for the strike of the telegraphers on the Great Northern and Northwestern Railways continues, and transportation of grain over the two roads is practically at a standstill, over one hundred stations being closed.

The people along the railroad are in sympathy with the strikers. They have refused to give succor to the "scabs" imported to break the strike. The governors of three States affected by the strike have asked the union men to submit their case to arbitration, and they have consented but James J. Hill, one of our railway kings, says *no*

The governors of three States who are trying to protect the people's interests are told by one individual that the industrial war must go on.

Public ownership of the telegraph would soon put an end to such useless waste of property, to say nothing of the hardships the families of the strikers must undergo while the breadwinners are out awaiting a settlement of the trouble.

Talk about States' rights is absurd when one man can defy half a dozen States by the power invested in him under the present private control of public utilities. Nothing but Government control will bring about the proper solution.

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COLUMBIA UNION MEETING

"Sun-Down" Printers Must Take to the Tall Timber Hereafter.

A SHORT, BUSINESS MEETING

Philadelphia Union Claims Certain of Our Members Read Inquirer—Resolutions of Brockton (Mass.) Union Indorsed—New Legislation Proposed.

The regular monthly meeting of Columbia Typographical Union was held last Sunday afternoon, President Berg in the chair.

Attention being called to the fact that O. T. Pierce had been selected as a member of the Newspaper Scale Committee, in place of J. M. Kreiter, whose name appeared in the minutes of last meeting, the president stated that without objection Mr. Pierce would be named as third member of the committee.

Representatives of the Garment Workers Union, of Baltimore, being given the floor, addressed the Union and requested moral support in the fight against I. Hamburger & Son, of Baltimore, whose product is handled by several firms in this city.

After the committee had retired it was moved and carried that the request be referred to the Grievance Committee with instructions to call on the firms in question and endeavor to have them discontinue the sale of clothing made by Hamburger.

Traveling cards received during past month read and accepted.

The membership Committee reported as follows:

On application of Donald C. McNeill, for apprentice membership, favorable action.

On request of F. H. McKevitt for six months further time on apprentice membership, favorable action.

On application of Lewis M. Hyde for full membership, favorable action.

The report of the committee was adopted and recommendations concurred in.

The candidates in waiting were then obligated.

Bills for printing amounting to $64 were read and ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Philadelphia Typographical Union, calling attention to the fact that Philadelphia *Inquirer* was being read by members of Unions in this city, and asking assistance in curtailing the scale of that paper in this city. Referred to the Grievance Committee.

From International Union of Flour and Cereal Mill Employees, asking financial assistance. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Brockton (Mass.) Typographical Union, asking the adoption of a resolution demanding the union label on the printing of the Keith Shoe Co., of Brockton, Mass. The resolutions submitted were adopted and a copy sent to the Central Labor Union and Columbia Lodge of Machinists for further action.

From Order of Railway Telegraphers, asking moral support in their fight against the M. K. and T. R. R. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Metal Polishers International Union, asking assistance to extent of $1 to aid them in their fight against the Wehrle Stove Works, of Newark, Ohio. On motion, the appropriation was made.

From W. F. Talbott, asking readmission to the Union Printers Home. Referred to the Membership Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Grievance Committee reported on Stone and Building Laborers Union request for aid, and recommended an appropriation of $25. Appropriation made.

Newspaper Scale Committee reported inability to get meeting with Publishers Association owing to absence from city of Messrs. Wilkins and Noyes, the latter gentleman being still out of the city.

Mr. Hall, from Allied Printing Trades Council, presented the following resolution, which had been adopted by the Council:

Resolved, That this Council employ legal council to guard the interests of the different unions affiliated with this body in any investigation which may be ordered in the Government Printing Office.

Mr. Hall also presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Whereas it has become known to the members of the Allied Printing Trades Council that members holding cards and getting the benefit and protection of their respective unions are doing commercial printing after working hours; and

Whereas complaints have been registered by the employing printers of this city in such a way as to reflect discredit on our honesty and integrity as union men; therefore be it

Resolved, That any member of this union found soliciting work, or doing competive printing after working hours, and receiving pay for a day's work from an employing printer or any one employed in the Government Printing Office, be fined not less than $5 nor more than $50.

Mr. Dickman from the Central Labor Union, stated that the Grievance Committee of the Central Labor Union had the Horse Shoers trouble in hand and looked for an early settlement.

He also called attention to the fact that the Central Labor Union was concentrating its efforts on two firms on the unfair list, and asked co operation of the Union to make the fight effective.

In response to an inquiry from a member, Mr. Dickman stated that the Academy of Music, Lafayette Theater, and Kernan's was still on the unfair list.

Mr. Dickman reported that the Public Play Grounds were a success and asked that those interested volunteer to aid the committee in charge to take care of the grounds.

Mr. Goodkey presented the following resolution, which was ordered to be printed on the call:

Whereas the I. T. U. has by a referendum vote decided for an eight-hour day, beginning January 1, 1906; and

Whereas the I. T. U. at the Toronto convention reaffirmed its action for the eight-hour day taken at the St. Louis convention; and

Whereas the majority of the members of Columbia Typographical Union now enjoy the eight-hour day by Federal statute; and

Whereas the presence of many nonunionists now within its jurisdiction is deemed a menace to the enforcement of the eight-hour day on January 1, 1906; therefore be it

Resolved, By Typographical Union, No. 101, that in order to put the jurisdiction in thorough union order by the time set for the eight-hour day to go into effect, we petition the Executive Council to grant said Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, a general amnesty, under section 28, General Laws, for the period from September 1 to October 1, inclusive; and

Resolved further, That if in the opinion of the Executive Council an organizer be sent to aid the officers of the Union it be so ordered.

Mr. Hall offered the following amendment to appear on the next call:

Amend Article 11, By-Laws, in section 2, after "as follows": insert section 13 as amended.

In section 13 strike out all after the words "vote and" and insert "any other mark or erasure shall vitiate the entire ballot."

In section 12, after sentence ending with "cross" insert "section 13 shall be printed at the head of each ballot."

The chair announced that pallbearers were asked for the funeral of W. A. Liscum. Several members volunteered to act in that capacity.

Adjourned.

Personal Mention.

Edward Murphy, of Chicago, Ill., who represented Local Union, No. 731, Excavators, at the recent convention of Teamsters in Philadelphia, spent a few days here with friends en route to Chicago.

Hon. C. C. Houston, of Atlanta, Ga., an ex-delegate of Atlanta Typographical Union, stopped over Tuesday in this city while on the way home. Mr. Houston was in attendance at the Toronto convention. He ably represented Atlanta Union at the Detroit convention, being then editor of the *Journal of Labor* at Atlanta. He is now a member of the Georgia Legislature.

At a conference held at the Joliet penitentiary between Governor Deneen, the prison boards of Joliet and Chester, the commissioners of the Pontiac reformatory and the heads of the several state charitable institutions, plans were adopted for administering the new prison convict labor law. Arrangements will be made for the manufacture of office furniture for state institutions, iron beds, and fixtures.

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I. T. U. CONVENTION CLOSES

Fifty-first Session Goes Down to History as a Very Warm One.

SHELBY SMITH LOSES HIS CASE

Royal Entertainment Accorded Visitors—Smith Case Consumed Lots of Time—Philadelphia Union Compromises with the Executive Council.

The fifty-first session of the International Typographical Union was one of the largest in point of attendance ever held.

That the visitors were well entertained by our Canadian brothers is evidenced by the many warm words of commendation by the returning visitors.

Aside from a reaffirmance of its position on the eight-hour day, the Philadelphia situation and Shelby Smith seemed to be paramount in the convention.

The Smith case was made an order of precedence by the convention on a vote of 135 to 74.

The matter having been referred to the Committee on Appeals that committee reported on Thursday morning.

In his defense of the case Shelby Smith said:

The Committee on Appeals have no jurisdiction in this case, and have no right to try it. There is no law to uphold it. I have been tried once according to the laws of the I. T. U., and there is no law in the I. T. U. that provides for a re-trial of a member by a convention or by a committee of a convention. It is a guarantee of the Constitution of Great Britain and the United States that in the procedures of their courts a man shall not be twice placed in jeopardy. I believe my case is parallel to criminal cases tried in our courts of law—my union life is at stake. I submit that the Executive Council forfeited their right to appeal when they failed to appear at the trial conducted by Philadelphia Union after being notified.

The Committee on Appeals, after making a complete report, sustaining the Executive Council, then made the following recommendations:

1. That Shelby Smith, who is now seated as delegate from Philadelphia Typographical Union, be expelled from the convention and his seat be declared vacant.

2. That Philadelphia Typographical Union be instructed by this convention to immediately expel Shelby Smith from membership in that organization and it is the verdict of this convention that such expulsion shall remain in effect until such time as Shelby Smith shall make a full and ample public apology to the members of the Executive Council of the International Typographical Union, such apology to be published in the *Typographical Journal* and *Trade Union News*, of Philadelphia, and given such other publicity as may be deemed necessary. By the term "full and ample apology," we mean one that will be acceptable to the members of the Executive Council, whose personal and official characters have been thus wantonly assailed. If No. 2 fails to enforce this verdict within thirty days its charter to be revoked by the Executive Council.

The matter being placed before the convention by Vice-President Hays, Shelby Smith was permitted to make a statement in his own behalf.

Delegate White (San Francisco) moved, as a substitute for the recommendations of the Committee on Appeals, a vote of censure for the unwise and immoderate language of Shelby Smith in the *Trades Union News* of February 9, 1905.

The substitute of Delegate White was declared as being before the convention for consideration.

Delegate Kipp (Columbus News Writers) offered a substitute bearing on the matter, but was ruled out of order.

Delegate Faries (Philadelphia) asked for authorities governing the presenting of the Smith case for trial at the convention, after the local union had acted.

Secretary-Treasurer Bramwood cited the laws on the subject of appeals.

Delegate Faries (Philadelphia) made the claim that the law had not been complied with, no appeal having been taken.

Secretary-Treasurer Bramwood maintained that the Executive Council were members of the International Typographical Union, as well as officers, and that the pamphlet issued, and other procedure in the case, was all that was necessary.

Delegate Faries (Philadelphia) maintained the pamphlet could not be so ordered.

Delegate Steele (Washington) made an extended plea for harmony, by eradicating the vengeance idea, and seconded the substitute of Delegate White.

Delegate Hayes (Cleveland) spoke in favor of supporting the Executive Council and adoption of the report of the committee.

Delegate Barnes (Chattanooga) spoke against the substitute, and favored the report of the committee.

Secretary-Treasurer Bramwood spoke on behalf of the Executive Council. Delegate Smith has made the statement that proof would be furnished at this convention. Mr. Bramwood challenged the production of any evidence, directly or indirectly, that the charges of collusion with rats was true. He had an unsullied reputation as a union man for thirty-three years, and it remained for Shelby Smith to cast the first slur. He denied the charge referred to in Delegate Steele's remarks that vengeance was the motive.

Delegate Steele asked permission to explain that the officers were not meant in his remarks, but the various members who had made that boast. He considered the record of the International Typographical Union officers as being absolutely clean, and expressed himself as especially pleased with the record of Secretary-Treasurer Bramwood.

Mr. Bramwood spoke further, and submitted a copy of the *Trades Union News* as evidence of the intention to defame the Executive Council.

Delegate Throssell (Newark) stated that he represented a small union, but upheld the report of the committee and considered that attacks had been made on himself and other members of the International Typographical Union.

Delegate Black (Sioux Falls) said he was administration man first, last, and all the time.

Delegate Bandlow (Cleveland) spoke in favor of the substitute. He was not desirous of removing stigma from Mr. Smith nor did he believe the statements about the Executive Council true. They were unwarranted, unwise and immoderate. He believed the report as submitted, with the penalty in the substitute, would be remembered by Mr. Smith.

President Lynch made extended remarks on the case and stated that as the other side proposed to quote Shakespeare he would quote some himself:

He who steals my purse steal trash.
'Twas mine, 'tis his and has made slaves of thousands.
But he who filches from me my good name
Robs me of that which enriches him not, but makes me poor indeed.

The *Trades Union News* was on its last legs. The Council had subsidized it by allowing money sent to Philadelphia to be used in part for its support so it could be used as the mouthpiece of the Philadelphia Union, and as soon as the muzzle was considered off, the abuse and villification began. It was license and not liberty.

Delegate Smith (Philadelphia) made a personal explanation of his position while before the committee, entering into a minute description of the details of what transpired between himself and the committee, before and during the sessions. He maintained no defense of Smith case could be made unless the Philadelphia situation was considered in connection with it. The evidence in the Smith case would necessarily be fragmentary considered alone. The Executive Council had appealed to passion and prejudice in their arguments and pleaded the ridiculous position they would be placed in if the committee's report was not adopted. He contradicted President Lynch's construction of the item published in the *Trades Union News* relating to his speech at meeting of Chicago Union. Mr. Smith read a statement in writing as follows:

I confess that I am not able to produce evidence to substantiate the statements made concerning the Executive Council of the International Typographical Union in the construction placed upon them by the Council and the Committee on Appeals—a construction never intended to be conveyed. I deeply regret their publication, and shall request the publication of this statement in the *Trades Union News* regardless of the action of this convention.

Delegate Berger (Milwaukee) said Mr. Smith had apologized—it came hard, but should have been made earlier. Labor editors sometimes published such things for a good purpose and that was probably Mr. Smith's intention. He supported the substitute of Delegate White.

Delegate Nock (Birmingham) supported the report of the committee.

Delegate Harris (Washington, Ind.) called for the previous question, and twenty-five delegates supported the motion.

The motion prevailed.

The chair placed the substitute of Delegate White before the convention, as follows:

Moved as a substitute for the recommendations of the Committee on Appeals, a vote of censure for the unwise and immoderate language of Shelby Smith in the *Trades Union News* of February 9, 1905.

The vote being taken, the substitute was declared lost. A division being called for, the count of hands showed 30 ayes and 163 nays. The substitute was therefore again declared lost.

The chair stated the question was now on the adoption of the report of the Committee on Appeals.

Delegate White (San Francisco) moved to divide the question into three parts, and motion was lost.

The question now recurred on the adoption of the report of committee.

Delegate Steele (Washington) moved for a roll call vote. There being twenty-five seconds, the motion was declared carried.

The chair announced the result of the vote as 209 ayes and 34 nays, and that the report of the committee was adopted and the provisions in force.

Delegate Shelby Smith then vacated his seat on the floor of the convention.

President Lynch again took the chair.

Delegate Steele, of this city, secured the adoption of a resolution making provisions for female members at the Union Printers' Home.

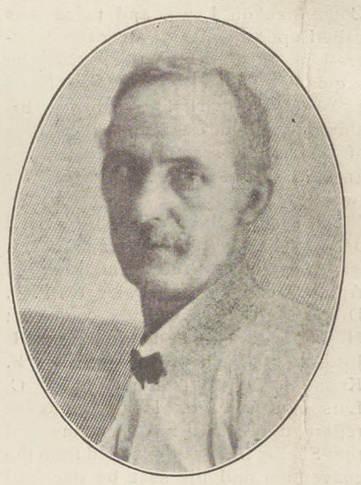
The Los Angeles fight against the *Times* of that city was again indorsed.

In addressing the convention on this subject Organizer Hay stated that since the crusade against the *Times* that Los Angeles Union had increased in membership approximately 65 per cent and an increase in the scale all around.

The St. Louis incident was merely in the report of the Committee on Officers Reports, indorsing the action of the Executive Council in suspending St. Louis Union.

The total membership is 46,734, and the increase in regular funds since last year were $32,694 17.

The appeal of Philadelphia Union for payment of $7,800 due to Philadelphia Union under agreements made at the



SHELBY SMITH.

Washington and St. Louis conventions, was compromised by a promise to pay Philadelphia Union $250 for the purpose of thoroughly organizing that city, Philadelphia Union to contribute a like amount. The delegates from Philadelphia Union were deeply grateful and so expressed themselves to the convention.

That Brotherhood Feeling.

At the last meeting of the Central Labor Union attention was called to the recent press notices of the Brotherhood of Carpenters excursion, which, it was asserted, reflected in a manner on the methods of the Central Labor Union's committee in issuing a journal for Labor Day.

The secretary of the Labor Day Committee, Milford Spohn, being directed to write to the Carpenters District Council on this matter, sent that organization the following letter:

I am directed by the Labor Day Committee of the Central Labor Union to call the attention of your Council to the statements which recently have invariably concluded your press notices of your proposed excursion on Labor Day. These statements are obviously made in disparagement of this committee, by those who for a score or more of years have opposed trades unionism, and who have never been in sympathy with the purposes of the Central Labor Union.

It should be regretted that this element which was forced by conditions attributable to the Central Labor Union, to become nominally affiliated with the Brotherhood, should as the controlling factor of the Carpenter's Council, indulge in insinuations impugning the good name of a central body which but a few years ago was the refuge and stronghold of the Brotherhood when contentious, dual, so-called organizations of the craft, were arrayed for its destruction. It is also to be regretted that in the apparent unification of the Brotherhood that there was not a moral elevation and harmony of action on the basis of the announced principle of that organization, which is practically demonstrated elsewhere in the affiliation of the Locals with the central bodies in their respective localities. The local segregation or exclusiveness of the Brotherhood, is, however, a matter of small import, and is only referred to incidentally in calling your attention to the Pharisaical pretensions and persistent indulgence in indirect, disparaging allusions to the methods of this committee by those who compose or dictate the reading notices of your proposed excursion, with the apparent motive of fomenting and fostering dissension.

I am convinced that the bonafide trade union element of your organization is not in sympathy with the sentiment demonstrated and would prefer that those having charge of your Labor Day arrangements should confine themselves properly to the business for which they were appointed, and that in giving information to the press they refrain from transparent insinuations which imply that the purposes of this committee are sinister and our methods, therefore, dishonest.

Wishing you a pleasant and successful excursion, and that it may be enjoyed by the carpenters in a spirit of true unionism,

I am, yours fraternally,

MILFORD SPOHN,
Chairman C. L. U. Labor Day Committee.

Machine printers and color mixers of New Brunswick, N. J., who asked for a nine-hour day have agreed to accept nine hours during the months of June, July, and August, ten hours the remainder of the year. Even a quarter of a loaf is better than no bread.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

Labor Day Committee Reports All Ready For The Outing.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.15 p. m. on Monday, President McCarthy in the chair.

In the absence of Secretary Winslow, Delegate R. G. M. Ross, of Sheet Metal Workers, was chosen Secretary pro tem.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Credentials were presented from Musicians Protective Union, No. 161 certifying L. R. Boyd, W. S. Crown, C. V. Saunders, J. R. Pistorio, and James McWilliamson. The credentials were accepted and the delegates seated.

COMMUNICATIONS

From Columbia Typographical Union No. 101, inclosing copy of resolution calling attention to the fact that the George E. Keith Company, Brockton, Mass,, while having the Boot and Shoe Workers label on shoes made by them, refuse to employ members of Brockton Typographical Union in their private printing office. The resolutions from Columbia Typographical Union were indorsed.

The Secretary *pro tem* was directed to send a set of resolutions of similar purport embodying the subject-matter to Brockton Typographical Union: The Secretary *pro tem* was also directed to notify the firm handling the Walk-over Shoe in this city of its action.

From Callahan, Atkinson & Co., automobile dealers, Baltimore, Md., asking for entry blanks for races at Labor Day Outing at Benning. Referred to Labor Day Committee.

From Plate Printers Union, No. 2, stating that the fight against the Peter Grogan Co. had been indorsed and that firm notified that until the differences existing between that firm and Carpet Mechanics Union, No. 1, has been adjusted members of Plate Printers Union would withhold patronage from the firm. Placed on file.

From Washington *Times*, asking for cooperation in giving news to the public. On motion, the Secretary was directed to notify the *Times* and all other papers in the city that upon application after all meetings information would be given freely.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Bartenders: Asked that a special committee be appointed to work in conjunction with a like committee of Bartenders League, to investigate reported formation of blacklist by Retail Liquor Dealers Protective Association. Request granted.

Mill Workers: Reported that no action had been taken in their case, and asked that case be taken up.

Retail Grocery Clerks: Reported that success is attending their efforts to unionize stores outside of their organization, and asking for renewed effort on part of delegates in bringing matter before their unions.

Stone Laborers: Requested information from Grievance Committee relative to employment of laborers on the *Post* annex building. Such information as was at hand was furnished, and a committee was appointed to take up the grievance. It was further ordered that the Secretary *pro tem* correspond with Mr. Morrison, the contractor on the job, relative to the matter. The chair appointed Delegates Sprague, Considine, McVey, and Fox to act on the committee.

Tile Layers: Reported that Thompson and Starrett had signed their scale.

Musicians: Reported the Academy of Music, Lafayette Theater, and Kernan's as still on unfair list.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Painters asked for report from Contract Committee on Maddox case.

Labor Day Outing Committee reported all arrangements made and plans perfected for Labor Day, and that indications were that a successful outing would be held.

Special Committee on Garment Workers of Baltimore, reported calling on several firms handling Bamberger clothing and met with success. Motion carried to notify Garment Workers of Baltimore of the matter.

Adjourned.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 1905.

NOTICE.

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Lynch License.

It was a cunning and well-laid plan to make the SMITH case take precedence at the recent I. T. U. convention at Toronto.

Without the SMITH case to take up for consideration the Philadelphia delegation might have had an opportunity to require the Executive Council to explain its course in failing to carry out the agreement entered into with Philadelphia Union at the Washington and St. Louis conventions. Granted that SMITH should be disciplined, but not so severely, for his intemperate language in discussing the dereliction of duty of the Executive Council to Philadelphia Union, why was not the Executive Council called on to explain its position in the Philadelphia matter?

If the Executive Council was without blame in the matter why this display of virtuous indignation against Smith and his defenders?

And again, is there any sense or reason in this wholesale flaying of the labor press by President LYNCH:

So-called labor journals are doing more injury to the cause than the employers whom they were called upon to fight. Slanders printed in the East are copied in the West, and vice versa. I was accused in Smith's paper of being opposed to the eight-hour movement, and this statement was copied in the other papers.

If they can discredit us they will. They hope for our political death in the campaign on which they now fasten their greedy, lustful eyes. These labor papers are doing more for the employers than all the other papers combined. I realize what this denunciation means, and it is a year before I can reply. I defy them, and will continue in my work for organized labor in the manner I have carried it on in the past, without the suggestion of these editors—the underminers of the trade union movement.

There may be a hereafter, he said in conclusion, in which these journalistic vipers will expiate their journalistic sins, and when justice is meted out they will continue to roast, and roast and roast. New victims will arise when we are gone, for the papers must live.

Whom the gods would destroy they first make mad.

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FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

Most of the delegates and visitors to the I. T. U. convention at Toronto returned to the city on Sunday morning, and President Berg, Vice-President Love, and Secretary Seibold were in their accustomed places when the time came for Columbia Typographical Union to meet. All brought glowing accounts of the session and of the hospitality extended by Toronto Union and its members, which did not cease until the boat sailed for Lewiston, when a delegation accompanied the excursionists and vouched for them at the custom-house, so that they did not need to have their baggage examined to see if they had any dutiable goods.

They report that President James M. Lynch received the grandest ovation, both at the opening and at the close of the convention, that a man ever received from that number of people. Our Delegate Joe M. Johnson covered himself with glory as chairman of the Committee on Laws, and twice was called upon to preside over the deliberations of the convention, when he acquitted himself with his usual grace and impartiality, showing his ability to preside over the deliberations of that great assembly as easily and gracefully as he did over our union for two years.

The case of Shelby Smith, too well understood here to need explanation, was referred to the Committee on Appeals, composed of Delegates P. M. Draper, of Ottawa, Canada, chairman; H. B. Ames, of Toledo, Ohio; W. H. Jordan, of Nashville, Tenn.; E. F. Kennedy, of Pittsburg, and J. C. Larson, of Chicago. In an exhaustive report the committee recommended that Shelby Smith be expelled from the convention and his seat be declared vacant; and that Philadelphia Union be instructed to immediately expel him from membership, such expulsion to remain in effect until he shall make a full and ample public apology, acceptable to the Executive Council, to be published in the *Typographical Journal* and the *Trades Union News* and given such other publicity as shall be deemed necessary; and "if No. 2 fails to enforce this verdict within thirty days its charter to be revoked by the Executive Council."

After lengthy discussion at the morning and afternoon sessions this report was adopted by a yea-and-nay vote of 209 to 34, all of our delegates voting for it except Mr. Steele. In the course of the debate President Lynch stated that:

The *Trades Union News* was on its last legs. The Council had subsidized it by allowing money sent to Philadelphia to be used in part for its support so it could be used as the mouthpiece of Philadelphia Union, and as soon as the muzzle was taken off the abuse and villification began. It was license and not liberty.

When the result of the vote was announced Mr. Smith unpinned his badge and walked out of the convention. Not a sound was made until he had retired from the hall, when the applause was deafening. Our Mr. Steele and Delegate Dirks, of St. Louis, wanted to explain their reasons for voting against the verdict, but were not permitted to do so.

Later the Committee on Appeals reported against allowing Philadelphia Union the $7,800 claimed under former legislation, but recommended—

1. That the appeal be dismissed and the previous actions of the Executive Council be sustained.

2. *Resolved*, That the fifty-first annual convention of the I. T. U., now assembled, emphatically indorse the fight now being waged by Philadelphia Typographical Union, No. 2, against the Philadelphia *Inquirer*.

3. That this convention recommends to the Executive Council that it appropriate $250 per week for the purpose of thoroughly organizing Philadelphia, the local union to appropriate a like amount per week, not more than $250 per week to be used in the *Inquirer* contest, until the *Inquirer* fight is won; the balance to be expended in an effort to unionize the large number of non-union and open book and job offices at present existing in Philadelphia, said appropriation to continue at the discretion of the Executive Council, as provided in our laws.

The report was adopted by a unanimous rising vote, and then the following agreement was read:

TORONTO, *August 18, 1905.*

Agreement between Executive Council, I. T. U., and the Philadelphia delegation.

The Philadelphia delegation agrees to the proposition that the organization work and fight is in charge of the Executive Council and that Philadelphia Union, No. 2, will accept and obey suggestions and orders issued by the Council.

JOHN MEADE,
ERNEST KREFT,
W. W. FARIES.

Quoting from the official report of the convention:

Delegate Kreft (Philadelphia) desired to thank the committee for its fair and impartial report. The Philadelphia delegation stands ready to meet the Executive Council and prepare for the organization work in Philadelphia. He referred to the Typothetæ attempt to make a nine-hour contract and enforce the open shop. The union refused by unanimous vote to agree to any such proposition. He again expressed sincere gratification on behalf of the delegates and Philadelphia Union for the impartial report and the unanimous indorsement of that report by the convention.

I hear that President Joe Jackson, of St. Louis, discovered frost in the air whenever he showed up.

President Lynch paid his respects to the wildcat labor press which has been pouring hot shot into him for the past year, but I think he owes part of his popularity to that class of cattle.

My friend Billy ("Kicker") Mill was there and sent me a kindly message by Joe Johnson. A number of others sent similar messages whose names were promptly forgotten by the messengers.

Matt Hayes was there. The last heard of him was an appeal from the Emergency Hospital, where he was laid up with a broken arm.

The Rossin House was overrun and swamped by the crowd, but it is estimated that the proprietor took in enough at the bar to afford to build an addition.

The number of visitors was estimated at 2,000—the largest number ever known at an I. T. U. convention.

Colorado Springs won the 1906 convention by a vote of a 144 to 107 for Pittsburg.

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I have been told that Joe Goodkey was the originator of the nice, quiet little mass meeting we held last Friday afternoon to protest against the I. T. U. verdict in the case of Shelby Smith, and I congratulate him on its inoffensive character. The only speech of the very few delivered that was considered at all in bad taste was that of Frank Hoover suggesting that we wait until we knew what had been done before taking action.

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Some trades unionists try to shape all their comments so as to be able to say, "I told you so," in the event that trades unionism should go to the "demnition bow-wows."

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Joe Saunders, for many years a "tourist," but now a letter carrier at the G street post-office, has written a little book—"Pages from the Past: Being Truthful Tales of a Traveling Typo Who Journeyed Lower Case"—which will be enjoyed by all the members of the craft. It consists of personal experiences and adventures during the years he was "on the road" and is interestingly and entertainingly written. He sells it himself (25 cents), and his address is Joseph W. Saunders, 1834 Eighth street northwest, this city in which we are living.

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I believe I never saw quite such poor reports of an International Typographical Union convention as those published by the Toronto papers, but they all published in full the speeches of President Ellis, of the National Typothetæ, and Mr. Driscoll, of the Newspaper Publishers' Association. One would think a newspaper would confine its sympathies to its editorial columns and print the news.

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I heard that Shelby Smith was with difficulty restrained from licking one of the Philadelphia delegation on the way to the convention.

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Visitor C. W. Pafflow left Toronto before the vote was taken on the Smith case, arriving here on Friday. But I am afraid it was disgust as much as a pressure of business that caused his hasty departure.

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There was a good deal of hot air spilled around here when the action in regard to Shelby Smith become known, but I am convinced that the spiggot was turned on twenty times from hatred of Jim Lynch to once from love of Shelby. Be good, brothers; Jim Lynch is more strongly intrenched in the hearts of the membership of the I. T. U. than ever before. The Canadians are wild for him, and on our side he has brought to himself all but the irreconcilables. Let's make it unanimous next year. Even Billy Love and Jimmy Weaver were converted, I hear.

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According to A. J. E. Hubbard's *Labor News*, of Colorado Springs, E. F. G. Hazle, of this Union, but who had been for some months an inmate of an institution near Toronto, was admitted to the Union Printers' Home on Tuesday of last week.

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It seems that the resolutions passed by the mass meeting of members of Columbia Union last Friday were not presented to the convention. But as the meeting was entirely unofficial, the matter was within the discretion of the delegate to whom they were sent. I think the opinion is now general that if all the facts and circumstances of the case had been known, as well as the enthusiastic support given the Executive Council by the convention, no such meeting would have been called.

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Joseph Gibson, of the War Branch, sailed from New York yesterday in the *Baltic* for Queenstown, Ireland. He will make an extended tour of the British Isles and the continent, covering two months. He visited Europe a year or two ago and was so enamored of his trip that he immediately began to set his pegs for another.

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I received a few days ago from Toronto a post card bearing the magic words "Shrope, Easton." Some of my friends brought me the cheering message from Toronto that Shrope promises to roast me in his Easton (Pa.) *Journal*. It worries me some, but as he can only do one roast a month, while I can do four, I feel brave.

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Charlie O'Connell, who is summering and forgetting Mergs at Virginia Beach, sent me a postkarte picture of Cape Henry light-house the other day, with the admonition, "Let your light shine." What do you suppose he wants—a searchlight?

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In the protest which certain editors of labor papers filed in the Toronto *World* last Friday against the convention's action in the Smith case they failed to see any distinction between honest criticism and cruel, baseless, mendacious libel. The suggestion that the Executive Council should have gone to the courts is ridiculous in view of the fact that collusion with "rats" is only an offense by union ethics and not in law, and in most courts a charge of such collusion would be regarded as more complimentary than derogatory.

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Why a man who has given up his card to gain or retain a situation should see any especial hardship in depriving Shelby Smith of his until he makes the *amende honorable* is too hard for me.

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Among the visitors to Toronto who included Washington in their itinerary was C. C. Houston, of Atlanta, who represented that union at Detroit in 1899. Mr. Houston called on friends in the Government Printing Office on his return trip and expressed his admiration for the great workshop. It is not alone in union politics that he has been successful, for he represented Fulton County, Ga., in which Atlanta is situated, for five years in the State legislature, and was complimented by having the members of the Chamber of Commerce say that he was the best representative the county has ever had. Mr. Houston is a proofreader on the Atlanta *Constitution*.

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Foreman D. J. Roberts showed me the other day a steel gauge that had been made for him by M. J. Shea, of the electrotyping department, Foundry Division, that is a beauty. Every page dimension and half measure used in the office, length and width, is marked on it, on the point system, and it is beautifully polished. It indicates not only great skill in making fine measurements, but excellent workmanship from an esthetic point of view.

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By the way, many labor editors at Toronto refused to sign the protest against the convention's action in the Smith case.

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William A. Hartman, of the Job Room, a worker at the People's Mission, is seriously ill at his home on G street. Mr. Hartman has long been a resident of Washington, and at one time conducted a large and prosperous printing establishment here.

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CHASE'S THEATER.

Another good vaudeville bill, enthusiastically received by the audience, is having a week's run at Chase's this week, and the patrons are getting more and more satisfied that Mr. Chase is going to do the square thing by the vaudeville lovers of Washington.

Louise Dresser, Green and Werner, Jack Northworth, Bert Leslie, Robert Daily, La Belle Theresita, the Ellis-Nowlan trio and Valveros Naval bombardment serve to drive monotony out of the entertainment.

NATIONAL THEATER.

With Monday night comes the opening of the National Theater, which has been remodeled throughout, and puts on the air of being a thorough new theater. It will open with a week's presentation of Hall Caine's story of the Prodigal Son, which has been dramatized.

This makes the third of Mr. Caine's books that have been dramatized, all of which have had their first appearance before the public at the National Theater, and all of which have been a great success.

EXCURSIONS.

Labor Day—Central Labor Union Outing at Benning, various form of amusements. Automobile races, foot races, etc.

W. H. Collins Council, No. 1030, National Union, will give a special excursion to Chesapeake Beach, Thursday, August 31, 1905. Tickets, 50 cents; children, 25 cents.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

"Is the old man working?"

Labor Day—Monday, September 4.

Childhoods' happy hours, whither have they fled?

"Sun-down printers" is the latest quotation by the *Evening Star*.

W. J. McEvoy is spending a portion of his leave in the Empire State.

Jno. S. Burnside and wife are registered at the La Belle Inn, Atlantic City.

Delegate Steele and Vice-President Love were noonday callers on Monday.

A. L. Huss is enjoying himself, fishing in Pennsylvania waters, near his home town.

Chas. W. Scott, of Anacostia, D. C., is assistant to Fred Councell on the upper press.

Glad to learn that a few temps. were put to work Friday. Let the good work continue.

Imposer McFarlane has charge of Jack Burnside's "onion lunch counter" during his absence.

After seventeen or eighteen days of annua leave, T. E. McCardell reported for work on Monday.

A much missed man—watchman George Schlosser, who is at Atlantic City enjoying his leave.

Burnside, Frank (not J. S.), dropped in on us a few days ago. His leave will expire this week.

Maker-up W. S. Schinnerer, of the "Y," reported for work on Saturday and caught up three hours fat.

John R. Moss and W. H. Bright are recent temporary transfers to Mr. Hay's Division on the upper floor.

Chairman Templar is a hustler collecting the monthly dues. So says Secretary Lillard, and he should know.

A royal reception greeted W. J. Delano' Maj. Tom Daily's invaluable assistant, upon his return last Friday.

Dame Rumor says that Clint O. Price, of the Treasury Division, will be a next year's candidate for delegate.

Foreman Bowen was at his desk at the blowing of the whistle on Monday. Glad to have him with us again.

Charles P. Peake returned to work last Friday. Glad to get back to this Division, so he says, and we believe him.

Cashier Walter E. Bennett and his two indispensable assistants, paid us off during the morning hour on the 21st.

Our esteemed co-laborer, B. C. Wright, of the "supply" division, returned on Saturday from his leave. De-lighted to see you.

John H. Butler has been granted thirty days additional leave without pay. He is enjoying his leave on the Pacific slope.

Foreman C. M. Robinson, of the Proof Room, is enjoying the week down at Joe Dierken's summer town—Colonial Beach.

E. S. Wild (slug 145), accompanied by his wife, passed a considerable portion of his leave in the far-famed Cumberland Valley.

Columbia Union's delegates certainly kept their friends supplied with convention literature during the week's sojourn beyond the border.

Strange, nevertheless, true, that there has not been a subscription paper passed through the Division since the chapel's recent action with reference thereto.

Some one has observed that our friend Jos. E. Goodkey, of the Third Division, will be a candidate for delegate in next year's race, which will meet at Colorado Springs.

Fred W. Follett, maker-up on the "Y," and A. W. Bentz, of the Ring Alley aggregation, have returned from their vacation. They look as if they had enjoyed themselves.

Another new and desirable piece of furniture added to the rolling stock of the "Bill Room" end of the Division on Monday, made by Foreman Bundy, of the carpenter shop.

Foreman C. E. Young, one of the best known and most popular printers in the G. P. O., accompanied by his wife, is spending his thirty days' leave "away down East."

George P. Dowell, of Jake Lesher's bunch, left for Atlantic City last Saturday, via New York City, Albany, and Saratoga. Look out for the ship, George. Did you ever get left?

W. F. Crump, Slug 34, is helping out in the Supply Division, up at Col. Dick Richards' end. By the way, 34 is said to be a good printer on the night side. Also on the day side.

Incidently we learn that Ernest R. Gaither, formerly employed in this Division as a laborer, but who resigned some months ago, is employed in the Pullman service over in Canada.

The sympathy of this Division is extended to the family of our fellow workman, Dr. W. J. Manning, of the Third Division, in the terrible ordeal to which they have been subjected.

Corporal Henry W. Gray, custodian of the vault, reported for work on Friday. Reports indifferent luck attended him while fishing in the Potomac, all account of muddy conditions.

We regret to announce that Compositor R. L. Townsend, of this Division, owing to ill health, has been unable to report for work since the expiration of his leave, early in the present month.

The following members of this chapel have been granted leave begining Thursday, August 24: L. D. Brandon, John T. Haskins, William Lawlor, David T. Lloyd, W. L. Pierce and L. C. Richards—6.

Apology is due J. S. Burnside, as he has been heard from repeatedly. Mac says "he is squandering all his hard-earned wages on Atlantic City illustrated postals." But there is one, only one, John Burnside.

The Washington delegation returned from Toronto on Sunday, loud in their praises of the excellent treatment accorded them by the Typographical fraternity and the numerous attractions of the Canadian city.

M. V. B. Stevens, computer of tabular matter, has returned to his desk after enjoying a fifteen-day outing. During his absence that well-known gentleman, James H. Ross, occupied Mr. Stevens' desk. An excellent "sub."

Our attention has been repeatedly called to the entire success of the tube system in use in the new building, carrying or conveying proofs, revises, copy, or manuscript to and from the Proof Room to the various Divisions or offices on the different floors. It is one among the many decided improvements introduced within the past two years. In the ordinary course of business it only requires ten or twelve seconds to deliver articles that formerly required that many minutes and no guarantee that they would always reach their destination. Under the present system, when the article is placed in the tube it is a certainty that it will reach the station intended, and almost before you can take a long breath.

The subjoined notice which appeared under "Musical Notes" in last Sunday's *Post*, will be read with pleasure by the host of friends of the young lady's father, A. F. Bloomer.

Miss Jessie Bloomer, who has been studying the violin in Leipzig, Germany, for the past year, and her mother, Mrs. A. F. Bloomer, are spending the vacation season at the Villa Waldfrieden bei Egglesbach, in the Thurigen forest. Miss Bloomer's progress in her musical studies is quite satisfactory to her friends, and both she and her mother have enjoyed the best of health. They expect their friends, the Bastianellis, a well known Washington musical family, to arrive in Leipzig in September.

ROUGH WRITER.

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Sixth Division.

Entries for the Colorado Springs handicap are now in order.

Could it be that love for Shelby Smith has grown because of his absence?

G. M. Mohler occupies the timekeeper's desk in the absence of Lawyer Ed. Moores.

Will Mattocks, Merg. 12, was a visitor to Colonial Beach the early part of the week.

As a reward for his many weeks of illness a little boy arrived at the home of Joseph Dreis last week.

Ex-Chairman Davidson, who has been "helping out" on Spess, suddenly made up his mind to go on leave.

Chas. E. Dietrich and Chas. N. Travis, of this Division, were guests of the War Branch a few days last week.

Four hundred and forty-seven dollars was the price of sending our delegates to Toronto. It was cheap at that.

The popular Secretary of the Columbia Relief, T. Frank Morgan, reported on Monday after a week's delightful outing.

As presiding officer of the mass meeting Lawyer Edgar Meritt showed his friends that he is a post graduate also in handling the gavel.

On the sick list this week we have Messrs. Broadnax, Danenhower, Geo. Ellis, Gray and Schoeneman. Also Phil. Nachman and Dan L. Sansom.

F. E. Wernecke, of the Fifth Division, returned to work in his Division on Monday after having completed a thirty-day trip to points in Illinois and Indiana.

A president for each month in the year is one of the things advocated by "Cycle." And where could a better man be found for the thirteenth month than Cycle?

Mrs. A. W. Bowen, wife of Foreman Bowen, of the First Division, who was a delegate to the Woman's Auxiliary at Toronto from Washington Local, was elected chaplain of the National body.

"Washington is one of the few cities, perhaps the only one, that always send great men to the convention," says Ex-Delegate A. F. Bloomer. Of course this was said with due modesty.

We understand another lunch counter has been opened on the fifth floor. Competition is the life of trade. Goodness only knows we all pay regulation prices and should get good board.

Thos. L. Jones, of the Second Division, returned last week from a vacation trip which included a trip to Boston by the sea, a visit to Newport, and other places. He was accompanied by his wife and a party of friends.

Those interesting little anecdotes of the now prominent men whom H. S. Sutton trailed with in the days of his youth brings to mind the old familiar saw "As twig is bent the tree's inclined." Just wait, Maud is young yet.

E. E. Wear, of this Division, has returned from his vacation spent at Colonial Beach. "Ikey" took on a whole lot of flesh while down there, and the boys who visited him at different times say he was absolutely "boss" of the Beach.

Regularly employed printers who are in the habit of doing a little stunt with a case of type and a foot power press after office hours will find something in the resolution passed last Sunday making such offense subject to a fine of from $5 to $25 to interest them.

Treasurer B. W. Bonney, of the National Mutual Finance and Investment Company (organized last Spring by the printers), tells me the affairs of that society are in a flourishing condition. Not only is the residence recently purchased by it rented at a good rental, but funds are on hand now for an additional purchase.

In explaining his vote on the Smith expulsion resolution Delegate Philip Steele, who has returned from Toronto and was a caller at the office on Monday, said that in casting a negative vote he was guided solely by his conscience and desire to see harmony exist. I doubt if there is a person in Columbia Union who will question the sincerity of Mr. Steele in that respect.

There is no need of a vote of thanks being passed to the Washington daily newspapers for the space given to the Toronto convention. What little space was devoted to the convention proceedings contained the merest details of the subject touched. Thanks, however, to the thoughtfulness of ex-Delegate Frank Kidd, and the courtesy of the TRADES UNIONIST in publishing a special bulletin, the news of the disposition of the Smith case was received by an anxious lot of Washington printers.

Dudley Fleming, of the Fifth Division, the morgue keeper in the old Fourth, was a visitor at Atlantic City last week. In the days gone by the old morgue was a gathering place for printers, and every one with a knock coming turned loose in the presence of Dud. Thus it is that when the boys meet now-a-days and pass the hammer around the ex-morgue keeper is able to deliver the goods in an interesting manner.

It is reported that President Roosevelt favors the establishment of an official gazette, wherein will be published all bids for Government supplies, sales of condemned property, orders to the Army and Navy, etc. Aside from the general desirability of such a publication, the printers will hail with delight its establishment. Not long ago the writer of this article had an inquiry from a Western publisher regarding the way to secure a condemned press and other material. To secure the information desired required time and patience. The establishment of an official gazette, however, would not only alleviate such a condition, but would also bring about better prices for much of the condemned property disposed of.

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If Miss Annie S. Jones, of Duluth, Minn., doesn't soon shake the dust of a quoin factory for a palatial home on Connecticut avenue or Bates street in this city it will be no fault of several Sixth Division Beau Brummels, and all because of a little wooden printer's quoin and a nicely written inscription thereon, which was found among some new quoins recently received for use in this Division. The handwriting was beautiful and this is the inscription:

ANNIE S. JONES,
Duluth, Minn.

To the Finder: "Way down in my heart there's a feeling for you."

Mind pictures of sweet Annie alone in the the cold North clime chopping out quoin with a feeling way down in her heart for some man appealed to the heart strings of several Sixth Division employes and before the publication of this item Annie will be in receipt of several proposals for marriage.

Washington is full of fair ones who can spend the coin, but the thoughts of a genuine quoin maker reigning supreme over a 2x4 Washington flat is enough to bring about the reformation of the most confirmed bachelor.

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Interesting, indeed, are the reports of the Toronto convention as told by some of the pilgrims who returned in time to attend Sunday's meeting of the Union, among whom were President John R. Berg, Vice-President William R. Love, Joe M. Johnson, Secretary George G. Seibold, and F. N. Whitehead.

The concensus of opinion seems to be that Shelby Smith brought his own downfall about by his abusive language and failure to substantiate what he had charged. On the vote that he be expelled from the convention, and that he must apologize or be expelled from Philadelphia Union, the Washington delegates were divided, Messrs. Johnson, Barnum, and Knapp voting aye, while Mr. Steele voted no.

Loud were the praises for the manner in which Chairman Joe Johnson conducted the affairs of the Laws Committee, and as a further mark of esteem he was called upon and presided over the International body.

A story of a quarrel between Shelby Smith and C. E. Hawkes during a steamboat excursion was also told, in which Shelby accused Hawkes of being the cause of his downfall.

The delegates were royally entertained, and bring home pleasant remembrances of the week spent with our Canadian neighbors.

CHAS. S. GUNN.

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PIKELETS.

THE ORIGIN OF ARC LIGHTS.

Arc lights I admire, and perhaps poems of praise
Well up quite unbidden when I bask in their rays;
And yet I confess that to the genius who wrought
This transformation in light I've seldom gave thought—
Seldom gave thought until I was told what isn't true:
That Noah's the man to whom the credit is due.
Why Noah? you'll ask, and such a question's all right—
Noe dumped the elephant overboard to make the ark light.
Of course that's an ark li—ght, and vastly further from truth
Than is the writer hereof from the days of his youth;
And, what's more to the purpose, no man e'er dwelt upon earth
Who first gave to a light of that kind its being and birth;
For the Creator Himself, when 'thwart the heavens He hurled
The first rainbow of all, gave the first arc light to the world.

AND "SEW" IT GOES.

When the ninth part of a man makes an effort to find
A little dust here and there, you can make up your mind
That the ninth part aforesaid is scarce even at loss
For a scheme to raise dust 'twixt himself and the boss,
Not that ninth part is lazy, nor afraid of hard work,
Since he could lay down beside it and snore like a Turk.

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A controversy between a dairy company and the Chicago Milk Wagon Drivers' Union concerning the discharge of one of the company's teamsters was settled through the reinstatement of the driver. The union threatened to call a strike unless the teamster was reinstated.

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JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

The *Star* has a club room, Hayworth a billiard room, but Sudworth has a base ball team well up among the amateur winners of the District.

The *Mirror*, one of the fads and fancies of Mrs. Siegel, wife of one of the firm of Siegel, Cooper & Co., while maintaining a Washington office, is now printed in New York.

Yes, I can state, in answer to numerous inquiries, the editor of the late *Sunday Globe* and the editor of *Graft* is one and the same individual. Colonel Elliott evidently found life too tame on the Mexican border, rounding up Greasers and Chinamen in the interest of the Bureau of Immigration, and seeks a more strenuous field, where the evil doer has the choice of taking to the woods or filing a libel suit.

Speaking of injecting a personality into a newspaper, I played the journalistic opera of "King for a Day" for Brick Pomeroy. During that gentleman's absence in New York I ground out what I was pleased to denominate "Hot Stuff," and on Mr. Pomeroy's return watched him run his eye down a column of paragraphs. He grunted satisfaction in turn, until at one he gave a vicious dig with his pencil.

"What's the matter with that one?" was my inquiry.

"Oh, nothing; only when there is anything to be said about Ben Butler let me say it. You can't say it mean enough."

Thereby hangs a tale. Gen. Benjamin F. Butler was the attorney of Louise Pomeroy, the actress, Brick's first wife, in a divorce case, in which she clung to her name as her nom de theater, her stock in trade, as it were.

Shortly after the granting of the divorce Louise made a successful tour of Great Britain and the provinces, in Australia marrying her leading man, Arthur Elliott.

On her return to America she entered upon a Gotham engagement. Brick attended a performance. During the intermission following the first act a small boy passed through the audience with, "Photos, photos of Miss Pomeroy." Miss Pomeroy, I can say, was a strikingly handsome woman, and as an actress the veritable "girl with the goods."

After the second act the boy also carried photos of a handsome gentleman, one of which he proceeded to stick under Brick's nose. Needless to say, they were of the support, at that time taking a character part.

"That was just like Louise," was Brick's comment.

H. S. SUTTON.

Pages From the Past.

Joe Saunders has contributed one of the best collections of printer stories in his book "Pages From the Past." Told briefly and with a quaint touch of humor mixed with pathos, this little book should be read by every lover of printer stories.

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Among The Building Trades

EDITED BY W. E. KENNEDY.

PAINTERS STRIKE.

This craft received their increased wage August 1, from *all* the painter contractors in Washington. The only person who seems *unable* to stand this small pittance of wage is *Uncle Sam*. It does seem rather strange that our Government, that should be the very first to establish a living scale of wage for its servants, is usually the very last, and that a trade should be compelled to adopt the same tactics against the Government that it does against unfair employers. The scale of wage paid to many of the mechanics employed in the Navy Yard, considering the prevailing wage paid to those trades by outside contractors, is a most glaring case of injustice, and it is hoped that the "strenuous" efforts of the Painters, if it does nothing else, will bring the matter to the attention of the man of the "Square Deal" and his new Secretary, and that they will take steps to have this Labor (?) Board in the Yard make some effort to follow the rules they made themselves, which plainly says that the scale of wage paid in the Yard shall be about the same as the prevailing wage of the locality where the Yard is situated. There are quite a number of the Departments, when they have work done by their chief clerks, superintendents, etc., need a lesson of this kind, for they always try to get men a "little less" than a contractor would have to pay for his men did he get the contract.

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INTERIOR MARBLE AND SLATE WORKERS.

This Local had a visit from three of their grand officers J. S. Calder, general president and two vice-presidents. Suppose their visit gave a great deal of satisfaction, for from several of the men I heard "they are crackerjacks all right."

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TILE LAYERS.

For a long time this Local has had an uphill struggle with the National Mosaic Company. Through assistance rendered them by the Structural Alliance last week on one of the large buildings under construction, they drove a whole handful of nails in the National Mosaic Company's coffin, and expect in the near future to attend the funeral. This may not be conducted in English, but some of their new members are very familiar with Italian. Even the chairman can now say a few words in that language, "Setta down there; Garibaldi has the floor."

The Miscellaneous Trades.

BOOKBINDERS.

The next national convention of this craft will be held in this city. So as to get the necessary long green to make life one continual Fourth of July for the visiting delegates, the Local here has engaged National Rifles' Hall for several dates during the months of November and February, intending then to give entertainments and balls galore to meet the expected expense. Let us hope that the downtown shops, when they are asked to "smoke up" from $16 to $18 per week for their bookbinders, will be "good," for the boys "need the money."

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LEST WE FORGET

And buy a *Monarch Shirt or Arrow Brand Collar*, the Bookbinders, Local No. 4, and Women's Bindery Union, No. 42, sent $25 each to those military ladies in Troy to keep them on "easy street" a few more days, while they are teaching Cluett, Peabody & Co. a needed lesson.

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BAKERS.

At their next meeting, September 2, candidates will be nominated and elected to represent them at their International convention, which meets in New York City. Business Agent Schmidt, of this Local, has been elected secretary of the third district. This district, comprising the States of Pennsylvania, Delaware, New Jersey, West Virginia, Virginia, District of Columbia, and North and South Carolina, will hold their "powwow" in Philadelphia on September 9.

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CARRIAGE AND WAGON WORKERS.

Henry C. Stein and wife are at the Rio Grande, Atlantic City, enjoying the pleasures of that famous pleasure resort.

Mr. Stein is the new secretary of Local No. 72, and the strain incident to his taking office made it absolutely necessary for him to take a rest. He is an efficient worker in his Local and will make a good record for himself in his position.

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USUAL ORDER REVERSED.

Down in South Carolina a number of colored bricklayers refused to work on a job with a white man. *Not* because he was white, but he was a non-unionist.

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Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13, of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101. Mrs. A. C. Webb, president, 314 Tenth street northeast; Mrs. E. H. Thomas, secretary, The Bertholdt, 128 Maryland avenue southwest. Meets at Typographical Temple first Monday in each month.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

To SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 333 I street s w.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

Bricklayers, No. 1, meets second and fourth Thursdays in each month at Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. Milford Spohn, Secretary, 1238 Eighth street northwest

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—John G. Wolfe, Chairman, 1023 New Jersey avenue northwest; John T. Kenealy, Secretary, 1230 Four-and-a half street southwest; T. Costello, 37 K street northwest; Jos. Hutton, 809 F street southwest; James Murtaugh, 3160 P street northwest.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5, meets every Friday night at 7.30, in Hall 1, Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. George W. Nyman, Secretary, 1253 Eighth street northwest.

Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

Electrotype Molders and Finishers, No. 17, I. S. and E. U. Meets Wonn's Hall, 721 Sixth street northwest, the first Thursday of each month. H. C. Poppe, Secretary-Treasurer.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, Amalgamated, No. 148, meets second and fourth Wednesdays at 922 Pennsylvania avenue n. w. Martin Hellmuth, Secretary, 609 D street southwest.

Plate Printers Union, No. 2, meets on second Sunday in each month at 2.30 p. m., at Typographical Temple, 425 G street northwest. J. Edward Beach, President; J. C. Staats, Secretary, Kensington, Md.

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The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, First Branch, meets every alternate Monday evening at 610 G street northwest, Building Trades Hall. President, R. R. Rhodes. Financial and Recording Secretary, Fred Hook, 1034 Sixth street northeast. Business Agent, W. F. Gilmore, 624 Sixth street northwest.

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Steam Fitters, L. B. No. 10, N. A., meets the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. S. D. Zea, Secretary, 2108 G street northwest.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

John M. Stees and family are rusticating in Western Pennsylvania. John is a good union boy and hails from E. G. C. Shop.

Harry Budesheim, the noted fisherman, with his newly wedded bride, are drawing the finny tribe from the Chesapeake. This is the same follower of Uncle Isaac who claimed last year to have caught 130 dozen yellow perch with hook and line in one hour. Grover Cleveland can take off his hat to Sir Harry.

Brother Jim Mills, with his wife and their lovely twins, are rushing things at St. George's Island, Jim is O. K., if he is proud of that young pair of voters.

The Machinists Band gave an open air concert in the Yard last Monday evening under the direction of Professor Moody. The principal feature was a cornet solo composed by that prince of players, Professor Montague, and entitled "The Breezes That Blow Across the Anacostia Flats on Saturday Afternoon."

Our genial Master Mechanic, best known as Commodore Smithson, accompanied by Quartermaster Charley Love and their private physician, Dr. E. Rockefeller Baldwin, were the guests last week of mine host, Col. Joe Moore, on board of his private yacht, *The Runaway*. They spent several days cruising in the lower Potomac and returned safely looking none the worse for the trip. This, no doubt, is owing to the fact that the jolly Commodore never takes to the water unless he is accompanied by Dr. Baldwin, who has the happy faculty of prescribing just what the Commodore likes, particularly Heurich's Mosquito Eradicator, Schneider's Malaria Exterminator, and Dr. Caciac's Celebrated Headache Destroyer and Sleep Producer. I was invited on this trip, but knew my book and preferred to stay at home.

Capt. Eugene Leutze, a former superintendent of the Naval Gun Factory, was a visitor this week. Madam Rumor says he is pulling wires for the position of Chief of Yards and Docks Bureau. Failing in this he will succeed Captain Pendleton October 1. In the meantime all the boozers are preparing to join the Jonadabs, as they well know his hatred for strong drink and those who indulge in that article.

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Just read, and then read again, of the great success that has come to the Machinists Band, which was organized only a year ago from amateurs—machinists working in the Yard. No wonder the professionals are envious of these music charmers when at the meeting of the Virginia State Firemen's Association, at Harrisonburg, the Naval Gun Factory Band, who accompanied the delegation from Alexandria, in a musical contest defeated that celebrated band from Phoebus, Va., and brought home the prize of $50.

I might say a word further in this connection that all Trades Unionists, their wives and sweethearts, who love music, come out to Bennings on Labor Day, and you will be treated to a surprise by Professor Moody and his band of music producers.

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The following editorial is from the Laurel (Md.) *Democrat:*

Secretary Bonaparte's decision against the Saturday half holiday for the Navy Yard employes will have been translated into a Banquo's ghost, that will not down at his bidding, by the time he starts in this fall, as the head of the Republican machine, to convince the laboring man that he has been staying up nights inventing schemes to circumvent the devils getting the best of him through the instrumentality of the Poe amendment.

It is a notorious fact that the aristocratic commander of the Navy Yard is an implacable enemy of organized labor, and his active and incessant opposition to the granting of the half holiday is simply an expression of his sentiments toward labor unions, and Secretary Bonaparte was made acquainted with this fact, but, notwithstanding the overwhelming evidence of the commander's insane hatred of union labor, and the indubitable proof that all of his opposition was grounded upon his feelings toward that body, Secretary Bonaparte stamped the commander's refusal of their just request with his approval, and President Roosevelt performed the same favor with respect to the Secretary's action.

Let him, who will, square the extravagantly applauded, square deal utterance of President Roosevelt with this flagrant act of injustice to the hardest and poorest paid of our Government employes.

Let him, who will, reconcile the recent discrimination speech of Secretary Bonaparte before the Republican machine leaders with this rankest of discrimination.

The *Democrat* seems to be somewhat in error as regards the action of Secretary Bonaparte relative to the Saturday half holiday. It will be remembered that when action was taken in the premises Colonel Bonaparte was a private citizen and that Paul Morton was Secretary of the Navy. It is also known that Mr. Morton was and is today the implacable foe to trades unions, particularly the International Association of Machinists, on account of the great strike by that organization on the Santa Fe system, and it was no more than was expected that he coming into power would deny any request made by Columbia Lodge for the employes of the Naval Gun Factory.

As far back as six months ago he intimated to International President O'Connell that it was very doubtful if the employes of the Naval Gun Factory would receive the half Saturday holiday. I believe that primarily the blame or censure should be placed at the door of Mr. Morton.

It is true, however, that Secretary Bonaparte could have used his influence (and we believe he should have done so) with the President to rescind the order and place the employes of the Naval Gun Factory on equity with the other departments.

It must also be remembered that Secretary Bonaparte, coming from civil life without any previous knowledge of Department methods, felt a delicacy, no doubt, in recommending to the President the rescinding of an order that had so recently been issued on the recommendation of his predecessor.

I must admit the fact that the employes of the Naval Gun Factory never felt that affection for Mr. Morton that should exist between the head of a Department and a subordinate. I am loath to believe, however, that such a feeling exists between the employes of the Naval Gun Factory and Secretary Bonaparte, for the reason that he has never placed himself on record as being the implacable foe to unionism as did his predecessor. I think that he should be given a fair trial before he is so severely criticised as he has been so unmercifully by the *Democrat*.

It would be useless for me to attempt to deny the statement that the superintendent of the Naval Gun Factory recommended to the Department that no half Saturday holiday be given to the employes of the Navy Yard, as he has admitted to a member of the press that he did, but I do assert and that most positively that it was not because he was opposed to trades union. No one knows better than he the great value, not only to the Government, but to his own administration, the great auxiliary that has not only made his administration a success, but has been the means of furnishing the Government with the best mechanics that this country can produce by the powerful influence of the officers of Columbia Lodge on its members.

If Captain Pendleton could have convinced Congress of the necessity of appropriating the necessary amount to cover holidays and annual leave, separate and distinct from the regular appropriations for labor and material, so as to enable the Naval Gun Factory to compete with the contractor who does not pay for either holiday or leave, then he would have gladly acquiesced in the wishes of the employes in recommending the Saturday half holiday.

Feeling assured in this matter, I deem it but justice to him to say that, notwithstanding the opinion of the *Democrat*, the superintendent has no hatred toward the civilian employe nor has any desire to punish organized labor, for the reason that one helps to support the Government of which he is a part, and the other has proven its fidelity under any and all circumstances, and no one knows it better than the superintendent of the Naval Gun Factory.

TIM TICKLE.

Told Who He Was.

Dr. Beadon, a former rector in Eltham, Kent, England, one Sunday preached from the text "Who art thou?" After reading it he made a pause for the congregation to reflect upon the words, when a man in military dress who at that instant was marching very sedately up the middle aisle of the church, supposing it a question addressed to him, replied, "I am, sir, an officer of the Sixteenth regiment of foot on a recruiting party here, and, having brought my wife and family with me, I am come to church because I wished to be acquainted with the neighboring clergy and gentry." This so deranged the divine and astonished the congregation that the sermon was concluded with considerable difficulty.

Peace was declared this spring among the building trades in New York City, and the result is that $250,000,000 will be expended there in new structures this season.

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

Bookbinders to Enforce New Wage Scale in Down Town Binderies.

The regular meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.15 p. m. on Monday, President McCarthy in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Chairman Ross, of special committee in charge of securing a portrait of ex-President Hamerstrom, in a few appropriate remarks, unveiled a handsome picture of the ex-President.

CREDENTIALS.

Brewery Workers, No. 118: Wm. Hellmuth, vice Conrad Schroeter, resigned.

Stone Cutters: Wm. Madert, vice J. Stoddart.

The credentials were received and delegates present obligated.

The Grievance Committee reported progress.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From President E. E. Greenawalt, of International Brotherhood of Railway Expressmen, asking for co-operation in holding up that organization. Referred to Organization Committee.

From Metal Polishers Union No. 68, of Cincinnati, Ohio, stating that differences existing between that Local and Chas. Hoppe & Co., of Cincinnati, had been settled, and commending the action of Pettibone Manufacturing Co. for assistance rendered in settling the trouble, and recommend that all members of organized labor in purchasing lodge paraphenalia, uniforms, lodge regalia, etc., place this firm on the list of fair firms. Placed on file.

From F. E. Chapin, of the Washington *Post*, in reply to a communication relative to employment of non-union laborers on new *Post* annex building, stating that the officers of that corporation are absent from the city, and that the communication had been handed to S. J. Prescott, the contractor. Placed on file.

From Upholsterers Union No. 58, stating that a fine of $25 would be placed on any of its members found patronizing Peter Grogan Co. while that firm remains unfair to organized labor. Placed on file.

From Hod Carriers Union No. 21, stating that any of its members would be fined $10 if they patronized The Peter Grogan Co., and ordered all its members to close any account outstanding with that firm. Placed on file.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Horse Shoers: That a fine of $25 would be imposed on any of its members found patronizing The Peter Grogan Co. or Fred Bender.

Hod Carriers: That the same committee that visited Contractor Stannard's manager relative to employing union hod carriers be directed to call again on the manager of that firm.

Stone Laborers: That the firm of S. J. Prescott & Co. be placed on the unfair list. On motion, the matter was referred to the Grievance Committee for investigation, without cost to that organization.

Bookbinders: That a new scale of wages had been presented to the downtown shops and been refused, and that if the scale is not agreed to by September 1 all members would be called out in such shops as refused to pay the scale. The new scale calls for a minimum of $18 per week.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Special committee on Stone Laborers' matter reported progress.

Organization Committee reported progress in organization of laundry workers, and stated that in a short time two Locals of that trade would be in existence.

Labor Day Committee reported that all arrangements had been completed for the exercises on Monday next.

President McCarthy announced the following as new Contract Committee: M. Snelling, chairman; H. W. Templar, T. R. Boyd, J. D. Bland, and T. McGilton.

Delegate Lahey stated "that as the Secretary had too much business to attend to that prevents his attending to business, that he be requested to resign."

On motion, the drapery on the portrait of Ex-President Hamerstrom, deceased, remain for ninety days.

Adjourned.

LABOR DAY AT BENNING.

Interesting Program of Events to be Decided at the Race Course.

All arrangements for the Labor Day celebration, to be held at Benning race track, under the auspices of Central Labor Union, are completed.

That the local athletes are taking considerable interest in the affair is shown by the fact that letters requesting information and entry blanks are being received daily. Baltimore and Philadelphia have also been heard from, and it is more than probable that there will be good sport.

In the automobile races solid silver cups will be awarded first and second place. These will be handsome trophies artistically engraved. The conditions restrict the chauffeurs to strictly stock cars, and to give everyone a chance to enter, whether they own a runabout or touring car, five races have been arranged as follows:

First race—Three miles; for gasoline runabouts, regular stock cars listing at $900 or less; regular road equipment.

Second race—Five miles; for gasoline machines listing at $1,250 or less; regular road equipment.

Third race—Five miles; for gasoline machines listing at $1,600 or less; regular road equipment.

Fourth race—Three miles; for steam machines listing at $700 or less; regular road equipment.

Fifth race—Five miles; free for all; for regularly listed stock cars of any weight and any motive power; regular road equipment.

The sanction of the American Automobile Association has been secured and conditions will be as follows:

No prize will be awarded in case of a walkover.

Three or more entries are necessary to fill each event.

The right is reserved to reject any or all entries.

There will be a flying start in all five races.

No liability is assumed by the management for injuries to or caused by contestants, or damage to cars.

In events where heats are necessary one mile will be the distance for each heat.

Entry fee, $3.

A three-mile handicap will be held for regularly catalogued motor bicycles; equipped for pedal propulsion. Prizes in this event will be $15, $10 and $5

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First Event—First Prize—Cup donated by *Evening Star*.

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Second Event—Second Prize—Cup donated by National Automobile Co.

Third Event—First Prize—Cup donated by Berry & Whitmore.

Third Event—Second Prize—Cup donated by the Bulletin Publishing Co.

Fourth Event—First Prize—Cup donated by R. Harris & Co.

Fourth Event—Second Prize—Cup donated by Merchants & Mechanics Bank.

Fifth Event—First Prize—Cup donated by People's Savings Bank.

Fifth Event—Second Event—Cup donated by M. Goldsmith & Son.

Chairman Spohn has announced the committees for the day as follows.

On Arrangements—Milford Spohn, chairman; John G. Schmidt, secretary; H. T. Le Clair, J. F. McCarthy, Thomas Peeples, N. C. Sprague, J. M. Heisley, John B. Dickman, Dan Lahey, J. B. Diggins, John Weber, and F. J. McKenna.

Executive Committee—Milford Spohn, chairman; Martin Helmuth, J. F. McVey, Edward Stevens, and George Malone.

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Committee on Grounds—John B. Dickman, chairman; J. M. Heisley, E. L. Adams, H. W. Templar, J. L. Feeney, J. W. Bland, M. Snelling, Elmer Johnson, and Charles Davis.

Committee on Sports—L. B. Diggins, chairman; James McGuigan, C. E. McClure, J. B. Colpois, E. Daly, and H. H. McKeevern.

Committee on Racing—J. F. McCarthy, chairman; N. C. Sprague, J. F. McKenna, Dan Lahey, and Thomas Peeples.

Committee on Dancing—G. Jule Murray, chairman; M. Fitzpatrick, G. F. Dunnington, Dan Lear, and J. Havenner.

A special feature of the program will be baseball games between the Navy team of the Departmental League and the Columbia Athletic Club team of the Capital City League, and the Cow Boys of the G. P. O. League and the Aloysius Club of Capital City League. These teams are considered the strongest in their respective leagues and considerable rivalry exists between them. The first game will be called at 10.30 o'clock and the second one at 4.30 p. m.

The other events will be bicycle races, sack race, egg race, exclusively for ladies, three-legged race, broad and high jumping, and running races.

The midway, or pike, will also be a feature, and in the evening there will be dancing and a concert.

THE SHELBY SMITH CASE.

Expressions of Opinion From Prominent Writers in Labor Press.

The action of the recent I. T. U. convention in expelling Shelby Smith, of Philadelphia, for undue criticism of the Executive Council, has brought out protests from several leading printer labor editors throughout the country. Without any desire to prolong the discussion of this case unnecessarily we quote as follows:

[Will M. Maupin, in *The Wageworker*.]

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The *Wageworker* has no apology to make for Shelby Smith. It believes that he was unfortunate in his choice of language, and that he framed his remarks in the heat of passion. But that he had a right to say what he did can not be gainsaid. If he injured any member of the Executive Council, that member had recourse to the civil or criminal laws. But things have come to a pretty pass when the officers of any Union can deprive a member of his card or a local of its charter because that member has exercised the right of free speech. And every thoughtful union printer in the land must regret that it remained for the labor organization most benefited by the right of a free press to be the first to endorse the idea that a censorship of the press should be instituted in order to prevent criticism of public officials. It will not do to draw, as President Lynch did, a distinction between liberty and license. That is not a question for conventions to decide—it is a question for the courts of the land. The Toronto convention's action in the Shelby Smith case is the entering wedge of a press censorship that will, when carried to its logical conclusion, perpetuate in power any labor oligarchy that secures control, and will permit any unprincipled set of men to prevent the expose of their rottenness. Law abiding, thoughtful, and honest union men will consider a long while before they give their endorsement to such a principle.

[A. J. E. Hubbard, in *The Labor News*.]

The action of the Toronto convention of the I. T. U., last week, was surely the most extraordinary ever known, when it expelled Delegate Shelby Smith, an action for which nearly every printer in the land criticised the United Mine Workers of America, when it expelled one delegate Randall for criticising President Mitchell.

[Charles W. Fear, in *Labor Herald*.]

The convention was an administration affair from beginning to end, the delegates being in accord with Lynch, Bramwood, and Miller to such a degree as to cause comment. Incidentally the paid officers of the I. T. U. were present, and at times were very active in "sounding out" delegates and seeing that they were "right." If a delegate was not "fully informed" as to the "right" view no effort was spared, and the argument was used many times: "Support the Executive Council or Lynch and Bramwood will resign." Delegate Faries ridiculed this statement, but it did service.

When the convention adjourned Saturday to meet in Colorado Springs next year, the delegates were not as harmonious as they might have been. It was also admitted by many that the way the Philadelphia squabble and the Smith case had been handled was disgraceful. Delegate Steele, of Washington, and others deplored the action of the convention in unseating Shelby Smith, of Philadelphia, as a delegate, without the hearing of the case from the time it started. The desire for "revenge" by Bramwood was commented on, not only by delegates in the convention, but also by those on the outside of the convention.

[Frank A. Kennedy, in *Western Laborer*.]

"What hurt me more than anything else in connection with this affair," said Shelby Smith as he walked out of the convention hall, "was the vote of J. R. Alford, delegate from Manila, P. I. As I passed out Alford gave me his hand and said: 'Shelby, I am awful sorry.' I said: 'You voted aye.' Alford repied: 'I HAD TO!' Alford's family and my family were intimate personal friends. The last supper Alford and his family sat down to in Washington before going to the Philippines was in my home."

Why did Alford HAVE to vote aye?

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The Toronto convention will go down in history as a great affair because it was a convention of just two features: The entertainment by the Toronto Union and "the Smith case." Take "the Smith case" out of the convention and it was merely a reunion.

Now, what is "the Smith case?" "What was there about it that caused all the ruction?"

As near as we are able to tell, this is "the Smith case:"

Shelby Smith is the editor of the Philadelphia *Trades Union News*. He represented Washington Union in the Colorado Springs convention in 1896. For something over a year Mr. Smith has been promoting the fight of the Philadelphia Union against the *Inquirer* of that city through the columns of the *Trades Union News*. The criticism for which Mr. Smith was "outrageously jobbed" last week was caused directly by a circular issued by the Executive Council in which the plans of No. 2 in its campaign against the *Inquirer* were uncovered to the world. This so enraged Smith that he wrote his now famous roast on the Executive Council. The roast was printed in February, and No. 2 thought so much of Mr. Smith that when the Executive Council asked No. 2 to prefer charges against him for alleged violation of section 81, that body complied with the demand; went through with a trial; exonerated Mr. Smith by a vote of 300 to 2; roasted the Executive Council of the I. T. U., and then in May rubbed it in by electing Smith a delegate to the Toronto convention in a field of eight or ten candidates.

At Toronto it was the Executive Council's turn to get even, and they did, to a finish. President Lynch appointed a committee to "try" Smith. In a court of law when a man is tried for a crime and is acquitted there is no appeal for the state. In the I. T. U. it is different.

Well, without the slightest warrant of law; without a single precedent upon which to base their contentions; without giving the accused an opportunity to face his accusers; without being even served with a notice of trial or appeal; without anything, the convention run mad for three days before the hanging and then became as limp as a dishrag when the deed was done.

[E. C. Ives, in *Minnesota Union Advocate*.]

The Shelby Smith case furnished the dramatic incident of the I. T. U. convention at Toronto last week—the most dramatic perhaps in the history of I. T. U. conventions From the first day it was evident that Smith and his supporters must lose. The tide was too strong; the organization too complete. Better generalship might have resulted in a stronger showing on the final ballot.

For instance, it was evidently a mistake for a member of the Philadelphia delegation to say that his union attached little value to their charter. But after all, the genius of a Napoleon could not have saved the day or even forced a compromise. We read of the thirst of blood that sometimes took possession of the Roman populace. For the time being, so it was with the convention. Nothing short of the limit of the law would suffice. The legal aspects of the question were lost sight of. Jurisdiction was assumed, and the contention that the local union alone had the right to try its own members under I. T. U. law was whistled down the wind.

And yet, with all the noise and bluster and apparent finality, it was but the triumph of a day. James Lynch, president, had an opportunity for a permanent and lasting victory, and lost it. When White of San Francisco offered his more moderate substitute of a vote of censure leveled against Delegate Smith for the language used in his publication, if Lynch had supported it, had told the convention that he already felt amply vindicated as a union man, that with the vote of censure he stood ready to wipe out the past, in one step he would have firmly fixed his popularity for many years to come. Instead of this, in a violent and uncompromising speech, he condemned the anarchistic "vipers" to a place where they "would roast and roast and roast." It will be strange indeed if in the mutations of union politics the men whom he had the power to crush and did crush at Toronto do not some day, in an hour of trial, return to torment him, and perhaps even to taste the pleasures of victory themselves.

Freedom of the Press.

Editor THE TRADES UNIONIST:

President Lynch, of the I. T. U., has entered upon a difficult task, if from his tall tower he expects to silence criticism by hurling coarse and ill-tempered epithets at the labor press. Mr. Lynch and those immediately associated with him seem not to recognize the fact that the labor press possibly represents constituencies as zealous in the cause of good unionism as those who live, move, and have their being in the atmosphere of exclusive self-righteousness.

Man, proud man,
Drest in a little brief authority,
Most ignorant of what he's most assur'd,
His glassy essence, like an angry ape,
Plays such fantastic tricks before high heaven
As make the angels weep!

—*Shakespeare.*

All that was bad or indifferent at the Toronto meeting had a fitting climax in the frenzied hyperbole employed by President Lynch in his mad attack upon the freedom of the press.

LAITY.

Royal Pilsen Beer on Draught. Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, North Capitol and G street.

Personal Mention.

George P. Nichols, of the Baltimore *Sun*, was in the city Tuesday mixing up with printer friends.

Frank Morrison, secretary American Federation of Labor, left for New York Tuesday to attend official business. Mr. Morrison will take a run up the State and will deliver a Labor Day address at Buffalo.

E. C. Jones, chief clerk of the Bureau of Printing, Manila, P. I., was in the city this week, renewing old acquaintances. Mr. Jones will be remembered as an ex-delegate and ex-president of Columbia Typographical Union, and as foreman of the Second Division, G. P. O., before going to Manila. He will leave for the West for a visit and will sail for Manila from Seattle on October 10.

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Contract Breaking Employers.

We have the original letter which the Clark Engraving and Printing Company, of Milwaukee, Wis., placed in the pay envelopes of its employes. The letter is so intensely interesting that we publish it for the information it contains:

We have this day notified the president of the Milwaukee Photo-Engravers' Union, No. 19, that we have annulled the contract signed by this company with your organization about January 1. The reason we have annulled this contract is on account of the unsatisfactory actions of many members of the union working for this company, and furthermore, for the curtailing of the output; furthermore, on account of the poor quality of work we have been getting, and on account of a great deal of work being spoiled during the process of workmanship; also on account of being unable to get enough workmen at a satisfactory salary to do our work.

On and after today your services will no longer be required, and we enclose you herewith a check in full for all moneys coming to you up to this time. If you want to work in an open shop and not dictate the policy of this business, your position will be open but you will have to see the writer and make arrangements before you come back to work.

In the meantime, if you have any belongings in the building, give the bookkeeper an inventory of what they are, and we will get them for you, as you will not be permitted to go back into the factory.

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It will be observed that the reason the company gives for annulling the contract it has with the union is on account of the poor quality of work which the men perform, work being spoiled, and their inability to get enough workmen at a "satisfactory salary" to do the work. It will be also observed that each man is notified to "individually" ask for his position and "make arrangements before he can come back to work." In other words, these capable workmen, turning out a poor quality of work, will be re-engaged, and the very fact of their leaving the union will make them better workmen at a "satisfactory salary."

We wonder to whom would the salary be satisfactory, the men or the company? The whole scheme was a pretext for breaking the contract with the union, so as to reduce wages.

The company has been disappointed, for the workmen have declined very kindly (?) consideration had for their welfare; they have struck for the enforcement of the agreement and are letting the world of friends and critics know of this contract-breaking company's actions.—*American Federationist.*

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

An Explanatory Word.

On my return from Toronto Friday before last, I had a brief conversation with Mr. Bloomer on the subject of the convention in which I intended to convey the impression that at first I thought it unfortunate, considering all the circumstances of the case, to bring the Smith matter before the convention at this particular time, but that afterward, in view of the solid front shown by the vote on the question, I thought the convention had acted for the best. It is quite natural that Mr. Bloomer should have misunderstood my position, but how he conceived from what I said that I left Toronto before the vote was taken because I was "disgusted" is beyond my understanding. The things which pleased me at the convention so greatly overbalanced all that I may have felt like criticising that the result was satisfaction instead of disgust. The selection of one of our delegates as chairman of the laws committee, the other three delegates creating a marked impression in favor of the Washington contingent, a visiting member of No. 101 made reading clerk, and the wife of one of our members elected an officer of the Auxiliary ought to be sufficient to make a member of Columbia Union feel happy.

I always read with great pleasure the scintillations of Mr. Bloomer's facile and prolific pen and can well afford to overlook an occasional misstatement. Long may he wave.

CHAS. W. PAFFLOW.

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JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

Philip Steele holds me up long enough to urge that we insist that a portion of the Cummings Memorial building at the Printers' Home be set aside for our lady membership.

C. E. Doty is back in Washington. He has been, during the past year, I have reason to believe, subbing for Governor LaFollette while that gentleman has been following the Chautaqua trail in company with such eminent reformers as Messrs. Folk, Lawson, Jerome *et al.*

Attending the premier of the Prodigal Son at the National Theater, Monday evening, I was pleased to note a generous sprinkling of printers throughout the audience, thus evidencing by their presence their appreciation of the highest types of scenic and dramatic art. In the names in an all-star cast was found a happy blending of the schools old and new. Boniface and Boucicault, the one reminiscent of the halcyon days of the Madison Square Companies and the other typical of that type of Irish drama that ever finds a way to twang the heartstrings. To the left is Edward Morgan, whose very presence spelled success to half a dozen productions; to the right Marie Wainwright, she who with Louis James held the mirror of those sublime pictures the bard immortal loved to paint; while a fitting center to the scene is Drina De Wolfe, willowy, magnetic, entrancing, looking the ideal of that creation of womanhood who has but to will and man will dare and do. Glancing further down my program I note the name of George C. Tyler, general manager. As amusement purveyors Messrs. Leibler & Co. are in the Belasco and Frohman class, and if asked to name the brains of Leibler & Co. I would mention George C. Tyler. Some time since—perhaps I have told in this column—because the G. P. O. management did not see fit to let Mr. Tyler hold copy on the *Record*, he sought other channels for his talents, with the result of rapidly climbing to his present enviable position.

H. S. SUTTON.

Echoes from Toronto.

Mr. Will M. Maupin, who is associated with *The Commoner*, was at Toronto during the sessions of the I. T. U. Under date of August 20 Mr. Maupin gives some impressions of his visit, from which the following extracts are made:

For the past ten days Toronto has been full of union printers and their wives, the fifty-first annual convention of the International Typographical Union being in session. The printers have come from every State and Territory in the United States, and from every province in Canada. A few years ago the word "printer" was synonymous with liquor. It is not so now. The writer has been here over a week, has met and communed with upwards of 2,500 printers, and during his whole stay in Toronto has not seen one intoxicated man. The convention has been full of interest. By unanimous vote it decided to "stand pat" on the eight-hour day proposition. The chief incident of the convention was the unseating of a delegate, who, as editor of a labor paper, dared to criticise the Executive Council of the union. Without commenting on this incident it might be well enough to remark that it seems queer that printers, of all tradesmen, should be the first to limit the liberty of the press.

The street-car problem that has bothered so many American cities does not bother Toronto people. There is no immediate demand for municipal ownership, the reason being that the owners of the street railway here seem to deal fairly with the people. Six fares for a quarter is the rule at all times, save between 6 and 8 a. m. and 5 and 7 p. m., when a 3-cent fare is allowed. This was made at the behest of the working men and women of the city. On school days school children can buy ten tickets for a quarter. The cars are the best that can be secured, and the service a revelation to one coming from a big city on the American side.

The workingmen of Toronto run it politically. They do not divide on political lines, and they do not insist that their candidates be workingmen. But they do insist that the candidates represent the interests of the producing classes, and woe be unto the successful candidate that betrays his trust. From the labor union standpoint Toronto is the best organized town in the country. There are 153 trades unions here, and they have built and maintain a labor temple that is a credit to a city possessing many splendid public buildings. The temple has been opened a little less than a year, and has already paid a dividend of 7 per cent on the investment. No one is allowed to hold more than $100 of the stock, and the temple is managed by a board of trustees elected by the stockholders.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 1905.

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FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

"It may be of interest to those who are so intensely sympathetic with Shelby Smith in regard to having his card taken away from him," said a former Philadelphian to me the other day, "to know that a year or so ago he was a member of and secretary of a trial committee of Philadelphia Union which recommended taking away the cards of two members of that union because they would not go before that committee and take an oath. The union followed the recommendation of the committee, but the Executive Council ordered the cards restored. Taking away cards has always been a favorite threat with Shelby."

"Yes," said a recent visitor to Toronto, "I was a witness to his fondness for that sort of amusement in the lobby of the Rossin House. A visitor from New York remarked that he had heard that Shelby had been a rat out West. This coming to Shelby's ears, he sought the New York man and asked if he had said so.

"'Yes,' said the New York man, 'I was told so and I said so.'

"'Well, I'll just give you a chance to prove that,' said Shelby. 'I'll sell my paper in Philadelphia and go to New York, and I'll camp on your trail until I get your card taken from you.'"

I am not so sanguine as to believe that anything of which Shelby might be convicted would make any difference in the minds of those who have decided that he is being persecuted, no matter how unanimous the verdict of those who were at Toronto and heard the proceedings. But as the verdict will be enforced regardless of what members of this union may think, whatever is said or done will be a waste of effort. By a vote of over 6 to 1 the convention convicted and sentenced him, on the testimony, after he had had every opportunity to defend himself and to be heard. It is well to keep in mind, however, that he was not convicted and sentenced for criticising the Executive Council, but for charging it with being in collusion with the rats of Philadelphia for the purpose of disrupting Philadelphia Union, for which its members would very properly have been ratted if the charge had been proved; and his only defense was that he did not mean what his words said. Having thus tacitly admitted the untruthfulness of the charge, and having also stated that he was sorry he had published it, it will not be a very great hardship for him to make the kind of apology the injured ones demand and thus secure his reinstatement, when he will be as free to criticise as ever, with a hint as to the difference between criticism and libel.

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Last week a modest stone was erected at the head of the grave in which rest the remains of poor Eb Patton, in Glenwood Cemetery, and last Sunday I went out to see it. It is on what is called "The Tour," which runs all around the grounds, and is located about 150 feet from the western entrance to the cemetery. It is of granite, polished on the front and back, with the edges rough, and the inscription reads:

(Scroll.) PATTON.
(Square and compass.)
E. W. PATTON.
Feb. 22, 1859—May 4, 1905.

Under this stone rests one of the most generous and lovable men I have ever known. Not all knew him as I did, for it was not to every one that he gave his friendship; but of those who really knew him there is not one who does not treasure up his memory as one for whose life the world was the better.

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"Squire" W. F. Reed and F. A. Roderick, of main Proof Room, returned last week from their tramp through Canada, as to which they are enthusiastic. My friend Silas Bill Read, of Montreal, sent to me, by the hands of the "Squire," a remembrance in the shape of a handsome cigar cutter.

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"Texas" Smith—now, look here! There are a lot of people interested in "Texas" Smith even if you are not. "Texas" Smith was recently coming home from a Republican convention (Satan returning from mass) out in Ohio—when the window of the car—it was a "varnished" car and he was riding in it—fell on his hand, crushing it badly. He had it dressed and the bandage saturated with turpentine. Lighting a match in his room after getting home, the bandage caught fire and he was badly burned in addition to his original wound. But as he was the "onliest," he had to get out the Stryker *Advance* all the same. The railroad company promptly sent an agent, who settled for the damage. In a letter to me he says that the veteran printer Charlie Church is in Cleveland. He mentions having received a letter from that other veteran, Oscar Howard, now in the Home, who has invented a combined book and job chase from which he has great expectations. Oscar conveyed to him the regards of Billy Wade, also of the Home, who, by the way, took me on my first free excursion. But enough of the old spavs.

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A week or so ago I heard a fellow say he would give $5 to help Shelby through his difficulties. But as he was never known to give up a cent for any purpose, I wouldn't advise anybody to "build up" on his contribution.

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A recent letter from Billy Wilkinson, of Austin, Tex., conveys the unwelcome information that after two weeks at sulphur baths at Marlin, Tex., he had to return home in worse condition than he went, his ailment being rheumatism. Mr. Wilkinson has many friends here, as well as all over the country, who will sympathize with him in his affliction. Twenty-five years ago he was corresponding secretary of the I. T. U., having twice represented Galveston Union in the convention of that body.

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There is some kicking about the resolution against printer "sundowners" passed at the last union meeting, on motion of T. Frank Hall, it being claimed that it makes an amendment of the by-laws, which requires to be laid over for a month and be printed on the call. Judge Ennis says the question was considered by the Laws Committee, during its revision of the constitution and by-laws and turned down. It will work a hardshid in the case of the man who is trying to build up a business upon which he can rely solely, but is simple justice where men are merely trying to add to their incomes in that way.

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Sonny Gunn quoted last week what I had previously said about Washington always sending great men to the convention and remarks that it was said with due modesty. I am willing to make an exception of myself, and of him if he is elected next year.

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I have received a letter from Ferd Blech, of Los Angeles, Cal., of which he says a copy was sent to every delegate at Toronto, expressing his dissatisfaction at the way the fight against the *Times*, of that city, is being conducted, and indicating that he knows how that paper can be "downed," though he does not give particulars. Not getting results to suit him at Toronto, he appeals to me. I would like to be of service to Ferd, but I do not see my way clear as to how it is to be done.

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I wonder how Shelby Smith figures percentage. He said in last week's *Trades Union News:*

On Friday, at noon, at a mass meeting attended by fully 75 per cent of the members of Columbia Union (Washington), of which the editor of this paper was for years a member, resolutions declaring their protest against the action of the convention were passed, together with a demand that the convention rescind its action. These resolutions were telegraphed to the chairman of the Washington delegation, who submitted them to President Lynch. The latter refused to permit them to be read to the convention.

There were less than eighty persons at the mass meeting, of which I was one—only one—for I counted them, and that is less than 5 per cent of Columbia Union's more than sixteen hundred members. The meeting was held at 4.45 p. m. instead of at noon. There was no demand that the convention rescind its action. Those are the only amendments I am prepared to suggest. I don't know what disposition was made of the resolutions at Toronto, except that I do not remember seeing them in the proceedings of the convention.

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Amateur Artist W. I. Reid, of the Sixth, shows great natural aptitude for caricature, but think of the great advantage he has had in Dan McFadden and little Anglin as subjects for daily study!

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One Moses Harman (I've heard his savory name before, and always as being in trouble) editor and publisher of *Lucifer—The Light Bearer*, of Chicago, writes to THE TRADES UNIONIST to solicit its aid, or at least asking it to give his woes publicity, his paper, a copy of which, with other matter, he incloses, having been denied admission to the mails. He seems to be catering to the taste of married old maids—a class to whom marriage is mere graft, an excuse for a change of name, and an unrequited living at the hands of husbands in name only. I heartily indorse the action of the postal authorities in this case, such literature being the most pernicious of all the pernicious literature issued. Men and women do not need outside instruction on their mutual duties in the marriage relation. Divorce is much decried as one of the great evils of the age, and if the ideas advocated by such emasculated zealots as Mr. Harman for the the delectation of sexless women should be generally disseminated and adopted divorce would soon be abolished, for there would be no marriages. A judge once said in a decision, "A man does not marry a woman merely to obtain the privilege of paying her board and clothing her." Run away now, Mr. Harman; there's a nice little ad. for you.

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Joe Goodkey authorizes me to say that he will be a candidate for delegate to Colorado Springs next year, if he does not get twenty votes. I'll bet he will get two or three times that many.

By the way, Harry Templar was recently rallying Joe about the "amnesty" proposition he made at the last meeting of Columbia Union. Joe defended it.

"I challenge you to point to a move I ever made that was not for the good of the union," said he.

"How about your contesting the election for delegate last Spring?" asked Tempy.

"Oh, well," said Joe, "you know what was behind that."

So did we all.

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Shelby Smith's defeat at Toronto was signal and complete. From the position which the Philadelphia delegates took after Shelby had been eliminated by such a decisive vote, there can be little doubt that Philadelphia Union will obey the command of the I. T. U., and there is as little doubt that Shelby will make the apology demanded. Indeed, he showed a disposition to apologize before the convention during the debate on the report of the committee, but it was a sort of "I never meant it in that way and I am sorry I said it," and was not satisfactory.

Mr. Smith seems to have been cast in a peculiarly strenuous mold. He told me himself of some of the hair-raising experiences he had while running a country paper in North Dakota, coming from his personal attacks. A gentleman told me the other day that when the A. P. A. flourished here a dozen years or so ago Shelby was the most turbulent member of that turbulent organization, getting into trouble at almost every meeting. We all know his tempestuous life as a member of Columbia Union, and his career in Philadelphia during the past two years is history. His defenders will never perish of ennui if they stick to him.

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Conundrum: What is the difference between Merg. Op. Stidham and Merg. Mach. Sonny Gunn? The former is always Benjamin and the latter is always windjammin'.

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H. Y. ("Windy") Brooke, editor and proprietor of the *Crenshaw County Critic*, of Luverne, Ala., is being discussed by his friends and the State press for lieutenant-governor of Alabama. The Centerville *Press* says of it:

If he should be successful, the people would know the secret workings of the politicians and there would be no state secrets kept from the people.

To which Editor Brooke rejoins:

For the reasons set out above it would be folly perhaps to make the race. The people are not ready for an "open shop" in affairs of state. But the day is coming when the people will demand to know all that transpires among those whom they clothe with a little brief authority.

As a member of Columbia Typographical Union Mr. Brooke was always strenuous, and he is giving the people of Alabama a lively paper. He makes the "Wahnetas" of Alabama politics hunt their holes regularly, but has not yet got the people educated up to the rottenness of politics, though he has achieved a degree of success to be encouraging. More power to him!

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Yes, dears, we sometimes have scraps among ourselves—and serious ones—but when we set sail after the common enemy the fur which flies comes not from us.—*Shelby Smith's Trades Union News.*

While the metaphor in the above is a little mixed, it being extremely unusual for ships to wear fur, the sentiment is the correct one, and I have no doubt that in a little time Shelby and the Executive Council will be found fighting side by side and knocking the feathers off the sharks of the printing trade, eliminating the barnacles from the car of progress, and hurling hot shot into the camp of the enemy's vessels of war. With our sterling infantry and our battle ships fighting shoulder to shoulder, giving thrust for thrust to the nine-hour vultures, we will drive these jackals from the sea and capture their citadel with a royal flush.

A. F. BLOOMER.

IF I SHOULD DIE.

If I should die tonight,
And you should come to my cold corpse and say,
Weeping and heartsick o'er my lifeless clay—
If I should die tonight,
And you should come in deepest grief and woe,
And say, "Here's that ten dollars that I owe,"
I might arise in my large white cravat,
And say, "What's that?"
If I should die tonight,
And you should come to my cold corpse and kneel,
Clasping my bier to show the grief you feel;
I say, if I should die tonight,
And you should come to me, and there, and then,
Just even hint that you would pay that ten,
I might arise the while;
But I'd drop dead again.

—*Exchange.*

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AMUSEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

THEATERS.

CHASE'S THEATER.

The bill presented this week is, as usual, a most enjoyable one, not a dull moment throughout, and the large audiences are more than satisfied that they are getting their moneys worth.

The Agoust family, presenting some wonderful juggling feats and Leipzig some sleight of hand tricks that cannot be fathmed, until he shows his method to the audience, is especially worth mention. The Mitchells, in the "Human Tops," are excellent, and Snyder and Buckley, while appearing in a first-class musical sketch, cheer up your vein of humor. Stuart, in his $1,000 Parisian costume is almost beyond comprehension, his femenine voice being good, and interpretation of a female part nigh to perfect. The Bellatzer sisters, Al Lawrence and several others add to keeping the audience in good humor.

NATIONAL THEATER.

With a good deal of polishing off and making the weak points stronger, "The Prodigal Son" may have a phenomenal run, such as the successful run of "The Christian" by the same author, but Mr. Caine will have to get busy pushing the pencil if he values his reputation.

As a good production of a beautiful story it is little less than a farce.

COLUMBIA THEATER.

Next week the Columbia Theater will open their season to the Washington public by presenting George Ade's latest comedy, "The Bad Samaritan," with Mr. Richard Golden in the lead. From New York very encouraging reviews have come which give the Washington comedy lovers a guarantee that it will be time well spent to witness one of the performances.

GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

FIRST DIVISION.

W. L. Pierce is at Atlantic City.

Haskins (66) is visiting his former home in Virginia.

There are five Saturdays in the month of September.

Where, oh, where is Zeb? Coney Island or Atlantic City?

No, inquisitive reader, this column is not all "hot air," or gossip.

'Tis ten to one shot we will receive our pay envelopes before Sabbath.

Chief Goodkey, of the "East End" Volunteer Fire Company, is a hustler.

Have you received any seashore cards? If not, ask Jake Lesher or George W. Wetmore.

James H. Brodnax was a Colonial Beach visitor the last three days of the past week.

James T. Ray, E. S. Wild, and E. Heidingsfeld reported on Monday. Had a good time they say.

Owing to the serious illness of his daughter, Ed. F. Latham has been summoned to Buffalo, N. Y.

Chief Dick Richards, of the "supply end," is passing his vacation in "Maryland, My Maryland."

Burnside, Frank (not J. S.) reported for work on Saturday. Some of our members are real foxy.

Harry W. Templar and wife were Sunday visitors to Colonial Beach. No, they did not miss the boat.

In the absence of Foreman C. M. Robinson, Assistant Foreman Wheat is in charge of the Proof Division.

Ain't you glad that the cruel war between the Japs and Russians is over? 'Rah for Uncle Sam, anyhow?

Who was the honorary member of this chapel that said Labor Day this year would be observed on Friday? Hush.

Messrs. Horace Cranford and W. L. Taylor were the last "leave takers" to report before our communication was mailed.

Daniel Miller, of Lesher's bunch, contemplates visiting the Grand Army encampment at Denver, Colo., while on leave.

E. S. Elder, of the efficient comps of "Y" makers-up, reported for work on Saturday after a pleasant thirty days' vacation.

Latest information from ex-Chairman Davidson, who is at Atlantic City, says M. N. Serrano has gone to Greater New York.

Judge Underwood, George H. Ellis, L. B. Cooley, and Jake Covert are on the sick list, the last named suffering from hay fever.

Easy sailing now, as the combine has returned—George H. Ellis and Jimmie Weaver. Lunch hour discussions are now in order.

"What are the wild waves saying?" Referred to the best compositor in this Division when he returns from Atlantic City—slug 98.

We understand that the various relief associations in the G. P. O. are moving along with clockwork regularity on schedule time.

Twenty-five (25) compositors have been temporarily assigned frames in the Specification Room, Capt. William R. Ramsey, foreman.

Very discouraging news has been received from our fellow-workman, R. L. Townsend, who has been on the sick list for several weeks.

The smiling countenance of that popular guide and charming conversationalist, Louis Neuer, is much missed. Will your leave never expire?

Not a line from Burnside, John S. (not Frank), the past week. He is somewheres between Atlantic City and Col. Tom Dailey's town—Chicago.

Wiley H. Davis, who has been spending his annual leave down at his Georgia home, has been granted thirty days additional leave without pay.

"Back, back to Baltimore." Since the last half holiday, our fellow-workman, Wm. D. Skeen, has resumed work at the old stand, Slug 43, Alley 8.

Have you turned in your "recognition" papers? Where were you born? Where are you from? If not, apply to our clever messenger, Fred. H. Berger.

Former members of this Chapel, Sergeant C. E. Groome and Corporal E. D. Norris are members of the District of Columbia Rifle Team at present at Sea Girt, N. J.

Came back—on Monday morning Messrs. John R. Moss and Wm. H. Bright who had been "borrowed" by our seventh floor neighbor, Foreman Hay, returned.

If you are a patron of the office library you will save Librarian Elder a vast amount of annoyance if you will make your selections on the slips gratuitously furnished.

H. J. Redfield, THE TRADES UNIONIST correspondent and artist, and Lanston operator on the *Gazette*, passed the Sabbath with his family down at the Beach—Colonial.

The following members of this chapel reported for work on Friday: W. R. Love, Geo. W. Shaffer, H. C. Hayne, and Charley Barton, Luke Woodward's assistant.

After fifteen solid days and nights passed at Coney Island, New York, Albany, and in the Nutmeg State, our fellow-laborer, Ira M. Ingalls, reported for work on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Young who have been enjoying a delightful trip to New London, Conn., and Newport, R. I., will visit Cold Spring, Pa., before returning to Washington.

No; decidedly no. Not a particle of danger of any of the huckleberry pies at our lunch stand prematurely exploding, similar to the one over in New Jersey. Not baked that way.

Shelby Smith, one of the most talked of printers in the United States and Canada the past two weeks, was a returning passenger from Colonial Beach on Sunday evening.

Prof. Henry W. Weber, leader of one of Washington's leading musical organizations, the Rebew Orchestra, has been summering at Cape May, New Jersey, United States of America.

There is quite a colony of Government Printing Office employes who reside on Bates street, a very attractive thoroughfare in the northwest. The latest occupant is Capt. George C. Harris, doorkeeper in this building.

Col. J. E. Bright, treasurer of No. 101, confidential adviser and ex-president of a half dozen organizations, accompanied G. P. O. Council, No. 211, National Union, to River View last Thursday.

MacFarland announces that Harry Gunn has succeeded to the charge of the "onion lunch counter." Onions and tomatoes on ice is the daily bill of fare, served free if you desire to "take out."

We are pleased to learn that J. T. Roberts, of the Second Division, who underwent an operation at Sibley Hospital a short time since, is slowly recovering. This will be cheering news to Jack's hosts of friends.

"Doc" Radley, one of the most popular members of Columbia Union, likewise of this chapel, and a prospective candidate in next year's race for delegate, is passing the week over in Maryland with his wife and son.

"They say" that between eighty and ninety suits have been brought against Captain Randall, proprietor of the Randall Steamboat Line, by a number of a recent Sunday night "left-overs." A test case is what is desired.

Ex-delegate Judge Holeman, of the supply end, reported for work on Saturday. Everybody was glad to grasp the hand of the tall Kentucky sycamore and to learn that he had such a grand time in his recent Canadian trip.

Among those granted annual leave this week, beginning August 31, are George J. Woodgate, C. A. Howle, Ed. McCormick, William D. Skeen, W. R. Verlander, and John T. Howe—6. Pretty good allotment for Labor Day week.

Oscar Nelson, of the Fourth Division, formerly a member of this chapel, contemplates returning with his family to Los Angeles, Cal., owing to the impaired condition of his health. Hope the change will prove beneficial.

A happy individual and a printer passed through our Division last Friday between the showers. It is a pleasure, as we are hurriedly rushing through life to see your fellow-man pleased with his surroundings, brief though they may be.

Proofreader Bynum informs us that Frank Riley, a few years since a well-known employe of the Second Division, died last week in Indiana. Frank will be remembered by many as a fine workman and good fellow. He was a citizen of Indiana.

Another small consignment of temporary compositors were assigned frames in the Specification Division on Monday. Among the number was Charles S. Shutterly, a temporary in this Division last season. Let the commendable work continue.

Thomas L. Jones, of the Second Division, and the chairman of the Entertainment Committee of Columbia Union, No. 101, has purchased a new house on Thirteenth street northeast, near Lincoln Park. Date for the housewarming will be announced later.

Who was the member of this chapel who hurriedly retraced his steps home the other morning before 8 o'clock, thinking he had lost his Ingersoll? Oh, Jim, and to think that you had accidently put it in the wrong watch fob. Wonders, will they ever cease?

The interesting G. P. O. correspondent of the *Times*, whose articles appear in the Saturday issue, has been a member of this Chapel at stated intervals, during the past two years. While at present in the employ of the office, he is not in the capacity of a compositor.

This Division was well represented at the recent complimentary excursion to River View by G. P. O. Council 211. Chas. A. McMullen, of the Library Division, was one of the participants registered on the fast sailing vessel Pocahontas, which made the trip in forty minutes.

Have you ever seen the ball drop at high noon up at the State, War, and Navy building from the windows on the west side of this room? Well you can. Referred to Judge Holeman, Frank Lloyd, Mr. Root, and a host of compositors who set their Waterburys and Ingersolls each noon time.

Frank D. Smith, of the Proof Room, has a souvenir lot of samples of petroleum obtained in Ohio during his recent visit. Come to think of it, somebody remarked at the lunch counter the other day, that Frank was in the running for delegate to Colorado Springs next year. Vindication, as it were.

This Division was favored with a visit on Monday from Edward C. Jones, chief clerk of the G. P. O., at Manila, P. I. It will be pleasantly remembered that Mr. Jones was the efficient foreman of the Second Division prior to his departure to the far-away islands. Judging from appearances, the climate must agree with him. He is accompanied by his family.

A pleasant, but hurried visit during the week from P. J. Haltigan, an old-time friend and former employe of the "hot-air" side of the old Document Room, in the old building, during Assistant Foreman Spottswood's administration. Mr. Haltigan is the successful editor and publisher of the *National Hibernian*, devoted to the interests of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in America. His friends will be pleased to learn of his prosperity.

Colonel Bentz has been regaling members of Oscar Bellinger's select crowd of thirteen "ringers" during the lunch hour with heart-rending tales of enormous catches of fish during his recent sojourn at Colonial Beach. One catch numbered 176, including, white perch, catties, and taylors, says the narrator, "it reminds me of my long ago boyhood days at the Pike Pond and Stony Battery on the Conodoguinet Creek, near Carlisle, Cumberland County, Pa."

As a considerable percentage of the male employes of the G. P. O. are more or less interested in fraternal insurance, the subjoined item in the proceedings of the twenty-fourth annual session of the Senate of the National Union, recently held at Alexandria Bay, New York, will prove of interest to the members of that order of an advanced age:

In pursuance of a recommendation made by President Briggs in his annual report, that the Senate adopt some measure of relief for the member advanced in years, a law was passed granting the privilege to those who have reached 65 years of age and are now paying $4 per $1,000 per assessment to obtain a loan from the order equal to $1 per month per thousand, at 6 per cent interest, and to hereafter pay $3 per $1,000 per assessment, the $1 difference and the 6 per cent interest to be charged against the amount of the benefit certificate. The member, however, has the option of repaying the loan, with accumulated interest, in whole or in part, during his lifetime. The law is intended for the benefit of the older members, and a move in the proper direction, and should be productive of beneficial results.

ROUGH WRITER.

Royal Pilsen Beer on Draught at R. A. Driscoll's North Capitol and G street. Overholt whisky, 10c.

SIXTH DIVISION.

J. F. McLennan completed fifteen days leave of abence on Saturday, and Monday morning found him on Merg. 14.

W. H. Cornish, Merg. 4, returned to work on Saturday. From camp at Harpers Ferry Mr. Cornish was called to his home in Newark, N. J., by the death of his father.

Ainsley C. Martin, of this Division, arrived in New York Saturday by steamer from Galveston, and began work on Monday. Mr. Martin has been in Texas since early last June.

Six hundred short galleys of document measure ten point, measuring from 2,000 to 3,000 per galley, was the output in this Division one day last week by thirty-five linotypes.

By the way, Chairman George Hayden remained in Alexandria on the day of the Virginia primaries last week. George is a sticker for "Virginia and pure politics" at all stages of the game, the same as in chapel elections.

Since the convention adjourned I have met my good friend James Monroe Kreiter, who was reading clerk at the I. T. U. session, and the gratitude he expressed for the assistance rendered in securing for him the job makes me feel that my reward for the same is "abundantly sufficient."

On July 5 last Frank E. Pyne, of this Division, was successfully operated on at the Garfield Hospital for the removal of a kidney. Since that time he has been gradually gaining in strength, and the Sixth Division force this week found much pleasure in welcoming him back to the fold.

John A. Cotter, Merg. 34, has returned from the vacation spent at his home in Boston, with as strong a faith as ever in the belief that Massachusetts and Boston, Mass., in particular is patterned after God's own ideas. There must be something exhilarating in a few weeks diet on beans and brown bread.

Echoes from the Toronto convention continue to be heard. This week I learn that the charming Mrs. Jessie Spencer Hover, who has so repeatedly assisted in the affairs of Columbia Union, was called upon and sang a number of songs at different meetings in Toronto, much to the delight of those whose pleasure it was to hear her.

Sydney Y. Cluxton, linotype machinist, returned to work on Saturday, after having spent sixteen days up in Canada and other parts. Its the first time Mr. Cluxton has enjoyed the glories of Uncle Sam's system of leave with pay, and after tasting of its sweets he has decided the system is perfect with one exception—it might be a little longer.

Frank D. Smith and Frank A. Kidd, of the *Record* Proof Room, assumed the lives of comma chasers again last week, after having spent a portion of their vacations in the North and West. The rush of copy the last few days has given the astute chaser of the little comma something to think about, and the return of these gentlemen was just in time to plunge into hard work.

William Mulhoffer, who served his apprenticeship in the G. P. O., and later worked as a compositor in most all the Divisions of the shop, now a prosperous and wealthy business man of Cincinnati, is visiting his parents in the city and renewing old printer friendships. In Mr. Mulhoffer's day the festive tramp printer was a numerous article, and after he began his business career in Cincinnati he was not forgotten by his old-time acquaintances who knew where to call for a "cup of coffee."

"Vengeance is mine," saith the Lord. Now that's the argument a gentleman used recently in arguing that the I. T. U. officers would have been justified were that alone the motive in seeking Shelby Smith's scalp. It's highly probable that I am as little posted on the Lord's ideas in that regard as anyone in the union, except my friend Bloomer, but I have always been taught that where one showed the slightest disposition to back pedal, He was willing to forget and forgive. At least I am told the plea made by Delegate Philip Steele was on that theory.

While paying a visit to the composing room of the Washington *Post* last Saturday afternoon I discovered that three new linotypes—one double-deck and two single-deck two-letter pattern—have recently been added to the composing room's outfit, which now gives the *Post* seventeen machines. Machinist Sprucebank is as proud of the new acquisition as a child of a new toy. Ten of the machines now in use on the *Post* were built some fourteen years ago under the direct supervision of Inventor Mergenthaler, and their good condition to-day is in a great measure due to the ability of Machinist Sprucebank.

Passing down the street recently I noticed on a theater bill board a picture depicting a scene in one of the thrilling acts of a play called "When the World Sleeps." The picture represented a sailor grasping a man's throat, while from the rear and secreted behind a screen another party with a knife about the size of a shooting stick had poked it into the back of a man in the grasp of the sailor about twenty picas. For a good many moons the Central Labor Union has been trying to have organized labor give the play house that makes this character of play a specialty the go-bye, but it strikes me that a little more advertising of this sort on the part of the theater would make any further efforts on the part of the central body unnecessary. Indeed it's time to call the brain expert when the mind seeks that character of play for its diversion.

In giving the rumors going the rounds these days on the chances of this man or that man being a presidential candidate in the springtime, I deny the accusation of "Cycle" that I have a fiendish desire to put a candidate's hearing out of commission by the constant buzz of the little bee for the next nine months. But rumors are rumors, and a person who aspires to office in Columbia Union should have no objection to his character being open for inspection at least nine months in advance of election day. In this connection I may add that the name of Delegate Philip Steele is being strongly used with that of the presidency of No. 101. Friends of Mr. Steele claim that his plea at Toronto for harmony, without condemnation of the International officers, or without upholding the acts of Smith, brought to the fore his true character, and that with such a man up for the high office of president the hope of the down town for placing one of their own associates in the chair would be lost—for this year at least.

Several times during the past few weeks different employes of this Division have suggested to me that the columns of the TRADES UNIONIST be used to start the agitation to secure a system of pipes for carrying away the gas fumes from the Mergenthaler machines. Numerous cases of headache are being laid to the odor arising from the gas pots. Uncle Sam has provided about everything that the ingenuity of man can conceive of for the benefit of his servants employed in the new building of the big printery, and it really does seem strange that an evil so vitally important to the health of those employed on machines should be allowed to exist without an effort being made toward its abatement. It might be, were this condition brought to the attention of those in authority, a remedy would be speedily employed. A system of piping would not only be a benefit to the health of those employed in this Division but the mechanical condition of the machines would be greatly benefited by the obliteration of much of the dust that now gathers around the delicate mechanism.

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Operator of Merg. 27, W. H. Anglin, had just returned from his leave. All morning and part of the afternoon the mill had run like clock work. Suddenly a voice calling "Number 27" pierced the ears of Machinist Charles George, who hastened to the spot.

Anglin said nothing, but merely cast a glance up at the distributer.

Machinist George climbed up and looked it over.

"I don't see anything the matter with it," said George. "What do you want?"

"Nothing," said Anglin, "Only ain't it running nice?"

CHAS. S. GUNN.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

Personal Mention.

Fred Fink, from the Coast, was in town this week.

J. W. De Vries, of Baltimore, spent a day among friends in this city last week.

"Kokomo" Phillips extended the glad hand to a number of boys who worked on the *Record* in the "star regular" days during the past week.

Wm. J. Seltzer, formerly of the Washington *Times*, but now foreman of the Philadelphia *North American*, passed through Washington last week and greeted a number of old-time friends.

Mr. Van Pelt, of Louisville, now foreman of the Louisville *Herald*, spent a day in Washington last week, when he climbed the Washington Monument for the first time and viewed the City of Magnificent Distances. A number of old-time Kentucky friends exchanged courtesies with Mr. Van Pelt.

Fred A. Anderson, formerly of the G. P. O. Press Room, and recently with the Bureau of Printing, Manila, P. I., is home again in Washington. The climate of the Islands did not seem to affect the genial Fred., who looks as handsome and lifelike as of yore. Fred. was the guest of Ed. Wagner at Frisco, the former foreman of the Bindery at the Bureau of Printing at Manila, and who was reported as being dead some months ago.

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 333 I street s w.

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Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

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A Correction.

To the Editor of THE TRADES UNIONIST:

We, the undersigned delegates and visitors to the Toronto convention of the I. T. U. desire to correct a statement made in the last issue of your paper. The statement was contained in a paragraph of the write-up of the convention, and as follows:

The appeal of Philadelphia Union for payment of $7,800 due to Philadelphia Union under agreement made at the Washington and St. Louis conventions was compromised by a promise to pay Philadelphia Union $250 for the purpose of thoroughly organizing that city, Philadelphia Union to contribute a like amount.

There was not the faintest semblance of a compromise in the matter. A supreme body does not compromise with a body subordinate to it. It would not be supreme if it needed to resort to any such thing. Nor was there any compromise between the members of the convention. The committee on appeals reported against the claim of Philadelphia Union for a certain sum and recommended the future appropriation of a certain amount weekly for carrying on the work there, to be expended under the direction of the Executive Council, at its discretion, and the convention unanimously adopted the recommendation of the committee. The convention then unanimously endorsed the past action of the Executive Council in regard to Philadelphia Union. As nothing was contested there was nothing to compromise. The Philadelphia delegates pledged their union to obey the suggestions and orders of the Executive Council. Those who are in a position to demand compromises do not make such promises. There was no compromise.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

SPECIFICATION NOTES.

Joe Cross is doing stunts in the ring alley.

This week's issue of patents is 618 and 204 trade-marks.

Topham's back, and defthy quick go the types in his stick.

Miss Edith Hawks spent her entire leave with home friends at Columbus, Ohio.

S. H. Bell was called in as copy preparer when Assistant Zeigler started on leave.

Each one of this force doth cheerfully pay his share of the tax for the eight hour day.

Homer Melick has occasion for joy because the new comer is a nine pound boy.

Ed. French whiled away two weeks at Brooklyn, Coney Island, and contiguous resorts.

Miss Jennie Grace Johnson and Miss Sarah E. Stimpson are doing Boston and suburbs as a choice for vacation pleasures.

Maj. Morgan found rest and pleasure and apparently extended his lease of life by a trip to the Blue Ridge mountains.

Jim Brooke is the inventor of a carpet tack, the proceeds of which is liable to induce him to leave the printing business.

It would be considered a real favor if the ice and water man could be induced to make the bases a little earlier on Monday mornings.

George R. Brandon was seized with sudden illness while at the case last week, and it is regretted that recovery is taking such a slow pace.

All disputed questions of style find amicable adjustment when referred to The Hague, of which Major Dodge is the able and obliging arbiter.

Clerk J. R. McBride came back from Colonial Beach, bearing evidences of rejuvenation. He has relieved Ben Harrison, who was clerk pro tem.

Some of the postal cards received from tourists on leave from the G. P. O., are very suggestive, and some are fortunate to find access to the mails.

The care exhibited by the bald-headed man in arranging the five or six strands of hair remaining is one case in point to prove the worth of bare necessities.

Brother Marschalk is taking his leave down in Loudon County, Virginia, where, as an inducement, he was promised all the sweet buttermilk he could drink.

Mr. E. A. Hutchison and wife will leave this week for Atlantic City, in the hope that Mrs. Hutchison may receive a real benefit in health, which is now greatly impaired.

Miss Mollie E. Ragan spent most of her leave at Old Orchard, Maine. The route traversed was to Boston by sea, returning by way of Long Island Sound to New York.

Proofreader J. R. Morrison, of the *Gazette*, is wearing a green shade to restore to normal the eye which came in contact with a chair-post during some manuevering in a dark room.

Since he parted with his mustache scarcely any one can be made to believe that Charley Warren, of *Official Gazette*, was old enough to be of much account during the civil war; but he was.

About the time the Clevelands began to suffer defeat at the hands of the Nationals Walker Miller left town, and the last heard of him he was at Bellefontaine, Ohio, wherever that may be.

Several have been called from the case of late to sub in the Proof Room in the absence of regulars on leave, thus affording the caseholder an opportunity to do others as others have repeatedly done him.

We've been having a bit of that weather when opinion is divided as to just how much window exposure is good for those who may complain of dampness or chill, or how much is good for rheumatics or lumbago.

H. W. Whittaker, proofreader, is off duty by reason of injury to one of his eyes. While engaging his child in playful mood the youngster gave a quick thrust with his fingers, which came in contact with the eye, resulting in much pain, and it is feared that the sight may be permanently injured.

W. F. Tappan has been heard from by improvised postal of about 7 x 9 inches in dimensions. He is located at Mundy Point, Va., where with four others the fish caught in four hours numbered five hundred. The size of the fish is not given, but the scenes illustrated leave no doubt that Mr. Tappan is happily situated. The sketching upon the postal were exceedingly well executed and was a pleasing remembrance to alley mates and others.

Only twenty-five of the forty temporaries promised for this Division have so far reported for duty, as follows: John T. Morsell, Richard B. Topham, Charles Banes, John H. Smith, J. B. Stahl, Arthur McNelly, John M. Loughran, W. J. White, Willis L. Hall, Van W. Roberds, Fletcher V. Shipley, John E. Rastall, James O. Macallister, William T. Martin, W. R. Chipley, William Busey, Samuel T. Esmay, C. S. Shutterly, Wm. T. Huber, Alfred Dietz, John C. Yates, Fred O. Whitman, Edgar O. Whitman, Samuel J. Hunter and Jesse M. Taylor.

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

John Palmer, leadingman, Gun Sight Division, has been reduced to workman, and transferred to what is known in the Yard as Siberia.

General Foreman Charley Robinson and family have returned from Atlantic City. Charley is as brown as a berry and as fat as—well, a good size shoat, anyway.

News from our companion, Sam Lescallett, is not very favorable. He has not only typhoid fever but is suffering with lung trouble. We have so many pleasant recollections of his good qualities that we anxiously await any good news from his sick room.

Several weeks ago we had a family conference relative to the summer vacation. The result of that conference was that while the family went to the mountains I remained home to do the bachelor act. Things went swimmingly until last week, when I was visited with an attack of society fad—hay fever—feeling somewhat lonesome, with but one specialty. I was next introduced to an abscess which attacted one side of my head. Even this was not enough to satisfy my longing, so while at work I introduced my hand between the cutting edge of a tool and a piece of metal, with the result that if it had not been my left hand the readers of the TRADES UNIONIST would this week have looked for Tim Tickle in vain. The family have returned and happiness reigns once more.

The future admirals have taken the Gun Factory by storm. The monitors *Arkansas*, *Florida*, and *Nevada* arrived at the Yard Saturday morning to allow the middies the pleasure of not only inspecting the Gun Factory, but to acquaint themselves with the weapons of destruction that will come into their lives later on. They are a magnificent set of youngsters, and in their efforts to gain knowledge in gun manufacture they stood not on ceremony but mixed generally with the men, knowing full well that this was the only possible way to secure the practical information. I must say to the credit of the mechanics that they acted like true Unionists should, and in every way possible explained the many difficult problems of gun manufacture to the anxious and enquiring youngsters.

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THE TABLES TURNED.

Last winter when it became necessary to work on Sunday in the Naval Gun Factory to have the guns, gun sights, and carriages ready for ships completed, the supervising force was allowed the same as the mechanics, 50 per cent additional pay. When the work was completed and Sunday work stopped, some one discovered, or at least imagined they did, that the supervising force were not included in the law governing Sunday work, and were entitled only for straight time. As the result of this Acting Secretary Judge Darling issued an order compelling all of the supervising force who had worked on Sundays to refund the additional 50 per cent that they had received, which worked not only hardship on them, but had the effect to a certain extent of demoralizing the force of supervisors.

It will be remembered that at the time THE TRADES UNIONIST, through its regular correspondent, fully explained the injustice done these men and propounded such questions relating to the law in the case that it drew the attention of the officers in the Yard to such an extent that the Superintendent of the Naval Gun Factory took up the matter officially with the Department, which in turn referred the case to the Comptroller, with the result that an opinion from that official has been rendered which clearly defines the status of the supervising force and places them in the same category with the per diem men.

They will receive their back money and should spend at least a small portion in subscribing for the only paper in this city who interested itself in their behalf. Show your gratitude, boys, in subscribing for THE TRADES UNIONIST.

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GUN SIGHTS.

The story written in THE TRADES UNIONIST relative to spoiled gun sights was well received in the Yard, and the paper was anxiously sought by not only the workmen, the supervising force, but by the officers in charge of the Naval Gun Factory. A copy was placed on the desk of Captain E. C. Pendleton, superintendent, who after carefully reading the article, immediately sent for your correspondent.

The interview was of a most pleasing character, and when concluded I felt assured that in the short half hour talk with him I had succeeded in doing that which the Union men in the Yard had been trying for a long time to prove to him—that Columbia Lodge of Machinists was his friend in many ways.

When I explained to him that Columbia Lodge had monitors in each shop who carefully scrutinized the actions of its members and any violation of the rules of the Yard were, on the report of these monitors, taken up by Columbia Lodge, and if the member was proven guilty a severe penalty was attached, he seemed astonished. And yet every word in that statement I was fully prepared to prove by precedents.

This much being settled, we proceeded to discuss the statement of the *Star*, wherein it was stated that the superintendent had informed a reporter of that paper that the spoiled gun sights was the result of the machinists in the Yard trying to even up with him because of his objection to the Saturday half holiday.

"Right here," said Captain Pendleton, "I wish you, through your paper, to enter a positive and emphatic denial of such a statement. I never made it. I could not have said it, for the reason when the reporter of the *Star* called on me for a statement I was in possession of all the facts in the case, which was the individual act of one man, and I so stated to the *Star* reporter, in which the machinists did not enter in any manner. Possessing such knowledge how could it be possible for me to make such a statement including the machinists? I feel aggrieved in the matter that the *Star* should place me as antagonistic to the great body of men who have been faithful allies in the building up of this great institution.

"But," continued Captain Pendleton, "this is but only one of the many times in my official life that I have been so grossly misrepresented. The trouble seems to be that reputable papers seeking statements from officials do not send men of mature judgment, but youngsters fresh from school, who only get a synopsis of a case and draw upon their fertile imaginations to fill in the balance, no matter how many heartaches it may cause."

The Captain then took up the question why he had recommended that the employes of the Naval Gun Factory be not included in the Saturday half holiday, but, as I fully explained that question in the last issue of THE TRADES UNIONIST, it is unnecessary to again mention it.

After assuring the superintendent that I would do every thing in my power to place him in "the true spirit" before the machinists in the Yard, the interview ended,

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BENNING LABOR DAY OUTING

Many Thousands Attend Celebration of Central Labor Union.

EVENTS WARMLY CONTESTED

Committee in Charge Commended—Ball Games Prominent Feature—Cycle Races Create Great Interest—Policemen Bicycle Race Makes a Hit.

The Central Labor Union outing at Benning on Monday was a huge success both socially and financially. The credit for the affair principally belongs to the Labor Day Outing Committee, headed by Milford Spohn as chairman and John G. Schmidt as secretary. Every feature was carefully looked after and nothing occurred to mar the day's sport.

As an object lesson for those who have never held labor unions in a high degree each recurring year the outing of the Central Labor Union of this city have proved of great benefit. Moderation in action and conservative business methods have always marked this body and it carries its work and play in the same vein.

Handsome souvenir books of the day were given to patrons at the outing, the publication being managed by R. Emmett O'Brien and printed by Thomas P. Moore. It was profusely illustrated, and reflects great credit on the publisher and printer from an artistic and mechanical point of view.

At the grounds the various committees in charge of events worked hard and faithfully to make all the patrons enjoy the many attractions offered.

The report in the *Times* being about the best report of the day presented, we take the liberty of reproducing it:

A little of everything was on the carpet Labor Day at Benning in the annual athletic games incident to the Labor Day celebration, and it was all witnessed by a large crowd.

The festivities began early in the day with field and track games and a baseball game in which the Aloysius club of the Capital City League defeated the Navy by 4 to 2. After this there were various field and track sports.

C. M. Ashton and E. J. Briggs had been doing some practicing on the side and won the three-legged race, with E. Sutton and H. Waple second.

Olgie Melie won the egg race for girls, with Florence Cadick second. The eggs had to be picked up and carried with a spoon, and several of the contestants disqualified themselves in their excitement by using their hands.

The gates were thrown open to the public at 9 o'clock a. m. At 10.30 o'clock the baseball game between the Navy team, of the Departmental League, and the Columbia Athletic Club, of the Capital City League, was called.

Handsome prizes were awarded in all events. In the automobile races silver cups were awarded first and second place. Suitable prizes were given to the successful contestants in other races.

In the evening a dance program consisting of twenty numbers entertained those who desired to stay after the races were over. Merry-go-rounds and other midway shows were running all day.

At noon it was estimated that between 4,000 and 5,000 persons were on the grounds. This is about the same number that attended the outing last year. Had the weather not looked so doubtful in the morning the crowd would have been greatly in excess of these figures.

Chairman Spohn was on hand early and superintended everything at the race track. He had an able corps in the members of the many subcommittees.

The first event of the day was a ball game between the Columbia Athletic Club, of the Capital City League, and the Navy team, of the Departmental League. The score was Columbia, 4; Navy 1. Fulcher was in the box for the Athletics, and Bryan pitched for the Navy.

The game was a pitchers' battle. The ground was very uneven, and made fast fielding an impossibility. The winning team received a cash bonus of $50, and $25 went to the losers.

The first event of the day was the 100-yard dash for boys under fourteen years of age, and resulted as follows:

Birgin Goddard, first; Henry McVey, second; Edwin Burke, third.

Sack race—William Shaw, first; Walter Cowdick, second.

The star features were bicycle race for policemen and the motor and auto races. Perhaps the most interesting of the three was the race for the cops. All of the starters were well known and each had a large following. This, and the fact that the event was closely contested, aroused much enthusiasm. A. E. Brown was first, and pulled down a handsome cup. His victory was deserved, for he won on sheer grit from Sergeant Bode, who set a terrific pace in the heavy going. Bode had Brown beat up to the last 200 yards, when the winner came on with a spurt which had been delayed too long and just managed to get there first. A. C. Lynn was third in the final and was pushing the two men ahead hard, when the pistol sounded. Major Sylvester, who was referee in all the machine events, made a neat speech, complimenting the men upon their pluck.

The rain of the morning had made the track slow for cyclists and motorcycles. Sand in some places made good time impossible, and for that reason the final heat of the police race, which was to have been a mile, was cut down to half a mile. For the same reason Scott Hamel refused to race Dr. Klobdanz more than one heat when he pitted his motorcycle against the doctor's automobile. Hamel won by a few inches by a desperate spurt, after allowing the doctor to pace him a fast mile. At one place the sand was so deep that Hamel nearly lost control of his machine while going at such a fast clip, but recovered in time.

Among the automobile races the last, carded as a free-for-all, was best. It went five miles and the distance was negotiated in 9.47. The best mile was done in 1.54, while the others were covered in 1.56 and thereabouts. Howard Rhine was given permission by Referee Sylvester to start and won handily. J. L. De Neale was second, a furlong behind.

Rhine was also the winner of the first race, leading C. L. Miller by nearly a quarter of a mile. J. B. Martin was third. The second race was for the same machines at five miles and again Rhine was a winner, but Miller had troubles in the third mile and Martin got second place.

The third race was at five miles and was the most spectacular, but it could hardly have been called a race, as all of the drivers were using the same make of machine and seemed bent upon furnishing excitement by a close finish. In this they succeeded, for the finish, in which J. S. Boyd slipped up from the rear and beat F. B. Blivin by a length, was well worth seeing. Fred Hart was a good third.

There was another stirring finish along the same lines in the fourth race, in which there were four steam machines of the same make. R. French was only a length in front of F. S. Cahill, with Mr. Engle third, and B. F. Anderson fourth.

Pat Throop was first in of the four starters in the motorcycle race, with W. T. Campbell second, and Joseph Klein third, and W. T. Campbell fourth.

The management deserves hearty congratulations upon the manner in which it pulled off the events. It would have been impossible to have had them run off more rapidly and smoothly. Also, each event had starters as advertised, which was in marked contrast to last year.

The clever handling this year should add greatly to the popularity of these Benning celebrations.

THE SHELBY SMITH CASE.

[From the Easton (Pa.) *Journal*.]

The statement of Shelby Smith, in the *Trades Union News*, referring to the proceedings of the I. T. U. at Toronto, that "the labor-paper editors in attendance at the convention on Friday morning issued the following signed statement, which was published in the Toronto *World*," is just a little more than we care to stand for, inasmuch as the editor of the *Journal* was one of the several editors in attendance at the convention who did not sign the statement, and we had our reasons for not doing so, which reasons we stated to the committee when they called for our signature.

Those who did sign the statement no doubt did it with the best of intentions, and we have no condemnation for them if they felt aggrieved at the words of Lynch and Bramwood.

When the substitute to censure Smith came up we voted for it, but did not vote for the adoption of the report of the committee to expel Smith for the reason that we were of the opinion that the sentence was entirely too severe, taking all things into consideration.

When a man goes after bear it should be with his gun loaded and plenty of ammunition in reserve, but Shelby went after Lynch and Bramwood with an empty gun, as he himself admitted on the floor of the convention.

For Shelby Smith we have the utmost sympathy and hope that he will take the advice of friends and yet for many years carry a card of the I. T. U.

The inference of DeGour, in the Reading *Advocate*, that delegates who voted aye on the report of the committee for expulsion of Smith, was from fear of the wrath of Lynch and Bramwood, is, as far as the editor of the *Journal* can see it, unwarranted, inasmuch as we would not have hesitated to vote aye if we had considered it fitting, but we have but to say that we never have been nor never expect to be compelled to bow the knee to either Jim Lynch or John Bramwood. When we are satisfied they are right we will stand up for them, but when we consider that they are wrong we will not hesitate to condemn them, section No. 81, notwithstanding.

Officials of the Structural Iron Workers' Union, of Los Angeles, Cal., say there is a concerted move in that city to disrupt their organization. It is said that the iron foundries in that city require all applicants for work to sign an anti-union pledge before getting employment.

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

I am glad to note the fact that Samuel Lescallett, leadingman, is rapidly recovering from typhoid.

David Neuman, clerk Ordnance Department, has tendered his resignation to accept a more lucrative one on the outside.

A. H. Dyson has been appointed structural draftsman in the Equipment Department, after a competitive examination.

Mr. Marion Crowther, quarterman Ordnance Department, is spending his vacation with his parents in Baltimore County, Md.

Dr. Caciac Richardson, accompanied by Quarterman Frank Bassett, of W. G. C. Shop, are enjoying the breezes at Old Point, Va.

Wm. H. O'Donnell, chairman Legislation Committee, and delegate to the Boston convention, is in Albany, N. Y., visiting relatives previous to his departure to the Hub. Brother Tom Carroll and Harry LeClair, his colleagues, will join him the last of the week.

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It seems strange that the daily papers are continuously publishing articles relative to what the machinists of the Naval Gun Factory propose doing about the Saturday half holiday. If the accounts, as published, were of an authentic character, based on reliable statements from those who are authorized to speak for the machinists through Columbia Lodge, some credit might be given to the statements. For instance, several days ago the *Star* made an announcement that the machinists had abandoned any further proceedings in the premises, and would, through a prominent Congressman, take the matter up with the legislators when that body convened. The *Post*, generally careful and accurate, without consulting with the proper officials, fell into the same error and next morning repeated the statement of the venerable *Star*. Both of these papers were evidently in error, because of the fact that Columbia Lodge has never for a moment, wavered one jot or tittle from the line of procedure carefully drawn by competent legal talent. When the proper time arrives the case will be taken up and fought legally to a finish. In the meantime if the daily papers will refrain from stating what the machinists intend to do they will be furnished a copy of what they actually will do at the proper time.

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The item in THE TRADES UNIONIST of several weeks ago, wherein I paid a tribute of respect to ex-Senator Louis E. McComas, had the effect of exciting the ire of at least one of its readers. In an anonymous communication received this week the writer has added four beautiful names to those given to me by my parents, viz., Trimmer, Nigger Hater, Ignoramus, Ass. The earmarks are so plain as to be easily recognized as coming from an old acquaintance who cut me from his social list of friends many years ago simply because I differed from him in politics. And to this day he calls himself a broad-gauged Christian gentleman.

I have a story on him which is too good to keep. Several years ago the Legislative Committee of Columbia Lodge were about to visit Senator McComas relative to legislation. My friend, whom I will call John Doe, sought out the committee and volunteered to accompany and introduce them. "I am so intimate with the Senator that he consults me on every occasion wherein Baltimore politics are considered," said he.

Thinking they had secured a prize they accepted the offer, and John Doe and the committee waited on Senator McComas.

"Walk into the Marble Room, gentlemen," said the polite usher; "the Senator will see you in a moment."

As he entered the reception room Mr. Doe and the committee met him.

"Allow me to introduce the committee, Mr. Senator," and proceeded to name each individual. As he announced the last name, the Senator said: "You have introduced the committee, now will you get one of the committee to introduce you."

"Just at that moment the committee felt like thirty cents," said Dave Thomas, who gave me the story.

"Don't you know me? I am John Doe, the Republican leader of the ——teenth ward in Baltimore, and I carry its vote in my vest pocket, and you say you don't know me?"

"Never heard of you before in my life; and by the way if you will excuse yourself I will take up any question the committee wishes."

From that day Mr. John Doe has been the implacable foe of Judge McComas, and whenever he hears or reads that some one has offered him praise he works himself into a furious attitude and gives vent to the feelings that can only be found in one so narrow-minded.

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The action taken by Col. M. E. Urell, Maj. Fred S. Hodgson, and Commander John L. Smith as a committee representing the helpers in the Navy Yard, particularly the Spanish War Veterans, in waiting on Captain Pendleton, superintendent of the Naval Gun Factory, and endeavoring to have him transfer helpers to the machinists roll, has caused unfavorable comments among the different craftsmen in the Yard.

It appears that in 1895, owing to the fact that machinists were in such demand on account of the war, that a full complement could not be obtained from the register. At that time the Secretary of the Navy issued an emergency order, which stated that machinists helpers who had shown tact and ability might be rated as fourth class machinists. After the war many employes were discharged from the Yard and the register again was filled by the machinists who could furnish the proper certificates.

I had better explain this register system. In filing your application as a machinist you must not only state name and age, but where you was formerly employed as a machinist. To this must be added two certificates—one as to character, the other by a person who must be a foreman or superintendent, and who must certify they have employed you as a machinist.

The machinists' helpers finding that they could not comply with the law gradually resumed their places as helpers, and that is their present status.

Suppose for a moment that machinists' helpers were re-rated as machinists, where would the machinists obtain helpers? It would become a seesaw game, continually changing. But that is a trivial question compared to the bad effect it would have on the apprenticeship system. Is it fair to compel boys to serve four years' apprenticeship for a small wage, and on the other hand promote helpers, who are getting living wages, to machinists after a short service as helpers? If the officials would recognize such a request it would be the means of destroying the apprenticeship system.

I am in favor of every deserving man promoting himself and increase his wage, but in a proper manner. There are too many grades of machinists. Two are sufficient where we now have four. Let the officials abolish third and fourth grade and create what is known as "Casting Cleaner Rate," at the same rate as now paid fourth class machinists, and from the more advanced helpers select enough to fill the requirements. The duties of these men would be to take the steel and iron castings from the foundries and prepare them for the machine shop, by cleaning and chipping the many lumps and scales that are found on all steel castings.

If the committee will act on this suggestion they may succeed, otherwise their work will have proven a failure, as the Government will not employ helpers as machinists when plenty of skilled machinists are obtainable.

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CLERKS VS. MECHANICS.

In the Washington *Times* of August 1, "A Pension Clerk" takes occasion to express his views relative to the retirement plan of superannuated employees, and clearly expresses his views and opinions in a forcible manner; which, however, is but the opinion of the average clerk—"that only clerks, and not mechanics, should be considered."

He says: "The apparently authoritative announcement from the spokesman for the Navy Yard that the organized labor of the country would never permit the enactment of a retirement law that did not include mechanics and laborers as well as clerks no doubt hastened the stampede of the factionist of the Civil Service side. Everybody caught on to the tremendous significance of the word 'employee' as distinguished from the clerk, and hastened to repudiate a proposition which they knew the country would not for an instant tolerate.

"Let us consider for a moment the remarks of the 'Authoritative Spokesman' of organized labor at that meeting.

"He said in part: 'Mr. President, as one representing not only the employees of the Navy Yard, but organized labor throughout the country, I earnestly protest against any legislation being enacted that will not include the skilled mechanic and the laborer in the retirement bill; that in an interview he had with the President a few days ago after his election, he (the President) asked him whom he represented. That when he informed the President that he represented organized labor throughout the country the President was delighted and congratulated him him as the representative of such an army of brains, brawn and muscle."

Now this all sounds beautiful and refreshing if it were true. I do not deny that this self-appointed and self-commissioned spokesman of organized labor made these remarks. But the question to be considered is, Was organized labor represented at that meeting? I say positively and emphatically, No. No man has the right to take the floor as "this authoritive spokesman" did to speak for organized labor unless he has in his possession credentials from his organization.

If the authoritative spokesman had said that he represented the Parry organization, men who were joined together for the purpose of destroying trade unionism, then he would indeed have been a truly authoritative spokes man of that body and should have been respected as such.

Organized labor has as yet failed to read of the demise of such leaders as Gompers, O'Connell, Mitchell or the president of Columbia Lodge of Machinists, and until we attend their funerals I am sure that the authoritative spokesman representing organized labor will not be the Elias on whose shoulders the mantle of Elijah will fall.

"Pension Clerk" also states that the cost of living has advanced more than 50 per cent and to live in a house situated in a part of the city where respectable people live, 25 per cent of his salary is deducted; that clerks, male and female, are people of intelligence, of good social position, and constitute as a whole a most important element in the life of the city, working in the churches and the organized charities, and lastly, and so beautifully and Christian like described, according to their ability, contribute to the extension of "The Kingdom of Heaven."

This is touching in the superlative degree. All these expenses for the "clerk," while the skilled mechanic, he of the brawn and muscle, the great producer as well as consumer—there is no expense for him. He is a wandering Arab; he has no rent to pay; he has no claims on society. His living is obtained from the funds of "The Associated Charities" so kindly furnished by the clerk. He does not attend church, therefore he has no conception of what constitutes a Christian or what is necessary to establish "The Kingdom of Heaven. Nay; all these blessings are denied him simply because he is a mechanic in the estimation of "Pension Clerk."

But many believe like the writer, that the mechanical forces in the Government Printing Office, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, the Naval Gun Factory, etc., that in these days of enlightenment, when a man is judged by his character, intelligence, and moral worth to the community in which he resides, the mechanic can and does take his place in not only the social life, but in the advancement of that grand precept as enunciated by the Nazarene—The fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

This being true, the mechanic humbly beseeches "Pension Clerk" that in the framing of his retirement bill he will remember that the clerk and the mechanic are brothers in the sight of God, even if not recognized as such by Pension or other clerks.

But if he or they see fit to eliminate all but the clerk they will find that organized labor will await them at the doors of Congress, fully equipped to prove the fact that the services of the mechanic are as important to the Government as those of the clerk, notwithstanding the fact that the employes of the Navy Yard are not recognized in Executive orders.

TIM TICKLE.

REMOVED AND REINSTATED.

Foreman of Printing and Foreman of the Job Room, G. P. O.

At 4 o'clock last Friday afternoon Mr. Oscar J. Ricketts, foreman of printing, and Mr. L. C. Hay, foreman of the Job Room of the Government Printing Office, each received from the Public Printer written request for his resignation by September 5, or that he show cause why he should not be dismissed for insubordination. So quiet was the matter kept that but few knew anything about it even the next day, and the *Times* was the only paper which made any announcement of the fact until Sunday morning. Messrs. Ricketts and Hay at once appealed to the Civil Service Commission, demanding that the Public Printer be required to give specifications of their insubordination.

The case was at once laid before the President at Oyster Bay, who directed the reinstatement of the deposed foreman, informing the Public Printer that he had placed their protest in the hands of the Keep Commission for investigation and report, no action in the matter to be taken until the report was made.

The Civil Service Commission had informed the Public Printer that specifications of the insubordination of Mr. Ricketts and Mr. Hay would be necessary, in compliance with the civil service regulations, and such specifications were in course of preparation when the directions came from the President in regard to the disposition of the case.

The matter is entirely in the hands of the Keep Commission, instead of the Civil Service Commission, which ordinarily would handle it, the former commission, because of its recent investigation in regard to the purchase of Lanston machines, being in possession of all the facts. The disagreement between the Public Printer and his foreman is believed to have principally grown out of this purchase. In the meantime the two foremen are at their desks and attending to their duties. It is not believed that the commission will need much time in which to arrive at a conclusion.

Mr. Ricketts, who had been employed as compositor and proofreader, was made private secretary to the Public Printer when he took possession of the office in 1897, and on the death of Chief Clerk William H. Collins and the promotion of Capt. H. T. Brian to the chief clerkship about three years ago, Mr. Ricketts succeeded the latter as foreman of printing: Mr. Hay, who was foreman of the Job Room during Mr. Palmer's first term, 1899-1904, was reinstated in that position about a year after Mr. Palmer's second succession as Public Printer.

As a sequel to the facts narrated above, the papers of Wednesday announce that the President has demanded the resignation of Public Printer Palmer, to take effect September 15. Mr. Palmer has been Public Printer longer than any other incumbent in the history of the office—fourteen years—his first term having been about five years and the present one something more than eight.

Speculation as to Mr. Palmer's successor is of course rife. So far but two probabilities have been mentioned—Mr. Ricketts and Mr. William S. Rossiter, of the Census Office.

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FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

The Washington *Post* had a terrible spasm one day last week over the evils which have overtaken Australia because of Socialist control. The government runs the railroads and pretty near everything else, and the capitalists have not where to invest their money so as to live on the toils of others. The majority of the people actually govern the country, instead of an oligarchy of wealth, and as a consequence it is getting so that the great conservative force of wealth has lost control. The rich even have to pay taxes, without the power to recoup out of the poor.

I have read several of these terrible pen pictures regarding conditions in Australia and New Zealand, but everyone has come from the class represented by the great newspapers and magazines. None of them come from the workingmen of those countries. They seem to be satisfied and happy. As the conditions prevailing in Australia and New Zealand can be of no personal interest to anyone in this country I can only conclude that these dire pictures are inspired by fear of imitation. If the New Zealanders and Australians are permitted to be happy in their new conditions, those countries would be a menace to every money-governed country under the sun. I am not much of a Socialist, but that is the way it looks to me.

In line with this, we are getting stories of the shocking grafting going on in San Francisco under its Labor party mayor. These horrors are not complained of by the workingmen, who are in power, but by both the old parties, who are out. I have heard of scandalous grafting in New York City, but the complaints do not come from the Democrats, who control that city, but from the Republicans, who want to control it—possibly graft and all. There is said to be villainous grafting in Philadelphia, but it is not the Republicans, who are in power, who say so, but the Democrats, who are out of power and consequently out of graft.

It is never well to believe what the enemies of a man or an institution say of him or it.

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Edwin C. Jones, chief clerk of the Bureau of Public Printing of the Philippines, who has been in the city for a couple of weeks, had expected to start on his return one day last week, but learned that all the accommodations were taken on the vessel on which he had expected to sail, which delayed his departure a couple of weeks, when he will take a steamer at Seattle. He came from the Philippines through the Suez Canal, coming overland through Europe and stopping at Naples, Paris, and a number of other points, then crossing the English Channel and visiting the British Isles, and especially his native Wales. His health is better than when he was here, and he says few Americans have trouble on account of the climate of the Philippines if they take care of themselves. He reports the boys as satisfied and happy, as all have been who did not go there merely for the trip. He will leave Mrs. Jones in this country and return alone.

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I saw the fine, portly form of Chris Auracher on the street the other day. The last I had heard of him before that he was somewhere in the heart of Germany, probably "where the Wurtzburger flows."

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It is astonishing that a number of labor papers have apparently taken to heart the speech of President Lynch in reply to the continued attacks of the papers of Frank A. Kennedy and Shelby Smith, notwithstanding he specified with specific clearness what papers he had in mind and notwithstanding few or none of them would care to be classed with those papers. The two papers indicated have showered abuse on him for fifty-two weeks a year without once arousing the indignation of these now wounded papers, but on the one occasion on which he replies to the attacks they resent it as though they were included in his criticisms. It is begging the question to pretend that it is a stifling of the labor press to resent libelous abuse. There is nothing accomplished by abuse but the gratification of the spleen of the writer, and it is especially inexcusable when directed by the labor press at labor leaders. Abuse really accomplishes nothing even when directed at the enemies of organized labor. It is argument, not vituperation, that has weight. The respectable news-furnishing labor press is the most valuable ally of the labor movement. The mud-slinging, abusive labor paper is a stench in the nostrils even of those in whose interests it is supposed to be published.

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W. S. Parkinson (I think it is W. S), who worked on "Spess" a number of years ago, looked the office over one day last week. He is now a prosperous newspaper publisher at Bellevue, Ohio. It is about thirteen years since he severed his connection with the G. P. O. and he looks none the worse for it. He is married and is gradually accumulating a family.

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An Associated Press dispatch from Chicago, dated September 2, says:

Believing that their services will soon be in demand again, owing to the printers' strike, special deputy sheriffs and policemen held a secret meeting yesterday and organized a strike-breakers' union. A scale of wages of not less than $5 a day, and $6 if it can be secured, was adopted. Charles Turk was elected president. Then each of the 110 charter members paid 25 cents for expenses.

That is one of the funniest things I ever read. But it is encouraging, for it shows that notwithstanding their depravity the strike-breakers recognize the righteousness of trades unions. It is as though thieves and murderers formed themselves into a prayer meeting and harlots organized a Sunday school, showing that in their lives of infamy a knowledge of the right is ever present.

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The Rochester *Labor Journal*, R. D. Runyan, editor and proprietor, issued a mammoth Labor Day number of twenty pages, with two pages illuminated, showing facsimiles of all the principal union labels in colors. The *Labor Journal* is without a superior in the United States, devoted to labor news, not personal abuse, and its columns show that such a paper is appreciated by the business public as an advertising medium.

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The new scale of the Brotherhood of Bookbinders went into effect in the private bookbinderies of this city last week, without occasion for a strike. It makes the minimum wage for forwarders $18 per week, the former rate being $16. Two of the shops wanted it distinctly understood that they had not entered into any agreement with the Bookbinders' Union, but that they had raised the wages on their own initiative, and that they had reserved the right in the future to pay what they believed to be equitable, which is only a way of letting themselves down easy. One employer complained that the raise was brought about by the binders of the Government Printing Office, dwelling on the fact that that is an "open shop and inferring that everybody ought to take what he can get and be glad of it. The bookbinders insist that the G. P. O. is not "open shop" enough to hurt.

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Secretary James Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, shows the right spirit. In receiving a delegation from the Painters' Union one day last week in reference to painters employed in his Department, according to the *Star*, he shook hands with them cordially, asked them to be seated, and said:

I suppose you have come because you want more money, said Mr. Wilson. Your men are getting $3.20 a day now, and I reckon you want their pay raised to the union rate. Well, we are all working men and I will be glad to give you the increase you desire. It will mean more money for the farmers, too, and it is right that they should get it. The pay of the two painters employed by the Department of Agriculture will be increased from the present figure of $3.20 a day to the union rate of $3.50, and I will issue an order to that effect right away. Good day, gentlemen; any time I can serve you call on me. We are all toilers.

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My brother Pafflow is entirely too sensitive. He takes three "sticks" of space in eliminating my three-line fear that he come away from Toronto disgusted. I'm powerful glad he wasn't.

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A recent letter to me from Will S. Waudby denotes his entire satisfaction at results at Toronto, where he was a visitor. He expresses his surprise that any labor paper should resent the words of President Lynch, which were only directed at the Omaha *Western Laborer* and Philadelphia *Trades Union News*, and so understood, and he indorses my statement that Lynch is stronger than ever in the hearts of his fellow-craftsmen. He gives it as his opinion that if the defiance of the convention, the Executive Council, and all hands expressed by the Philadelphia delegates had occurred in any other body they would all have been expelled. It is very extraordinary that Delegate Faries's statement that "Philadelphia Union does not care much for an I. T. U. charter anyhow" should have received no other attention than to be roundly hissed. But the subsequent course of the Philadelphia delegates showed that Philadelphia Union cares a whole lot for an I. T. U. charter, which convinces me that they are good union men who had been misled and had become unduly excited.

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The Kansas City *Labor Herald* issued a mammoth 12-page Labor Day paper, with cover in colors. Many halftones of labor leaders, Labor Day celebration officials and committeemen, and county officers, all creditably executed, are given. Among the literary matter I find my article, "Why Be a Scab?" written a year ago for Albert E. Hill's Nashville *Labor Advocate*, now credited to the Baltimore *Labor Leader*, though I am given credit with the authorship, under the misnomer "A. L. Bloomer." Forgiving that little aberration of mind in my friend Charles W. Fear, I congratulate him and Kansas City on the magnificent paper issued.

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I find this paragraph in A. J. E. Hubbard's Colorado Springs *Labor News* of August 31:

George E. Clark, Columbia Union (Washington, D. C.) No. 101, a son of Merrils H. Clark, resident member of Grand Rapids No. 39, called upon his father at the Home last week. The meeting between the father and son and the daughter (Mrs. Putnam) was a very pleasant family re-union. The old gentleman is now in his eightieth year, fifty of which was in active service as compositor and publisher, and editor of newspapers in Michigan and Nebraska. A carriage drive to Manitou and through the Garden of the Gods with his son and daughter will be a pleasant reminder of their visit to the institution.

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The Kansas City *Labor Herald*, which has long worshiped at the shrine of the Sadie McKennedy-Shelby Smith style of literature, fairly foams at the mouth over the action of the I. T. U. convention in the Smith case. Among other things, it demands the repeal of section 81 of the Book of Laws of the I. T. U. as in conflict with the Constitution of the United States. Here is the section which forbids the things that the editor of the *Labor Herald* wants to do:

SEC. 81. Any member or members of any subordinate union circulating or causing to be circulated in any way malicious or untrue statements reflecting upon the standing or character, private or public, of any officer or member of the International Typographical Union, or impugning the motives or reflecting upon the honesty of any officer or member of the International Typographical Union, shall be deemed guilty of ununion-like conduct, and upon conviction before a trial board shall be suspended or expelled, as two-thirds of the members may determine. It shall be the duty of the executive committee of each subordinate union to investigate and prosecute all violations of this law occurring within its jurisdiction. It shall also be the duty, and it is hereby imperatively ordered, that any subordinate union, or any member of a subordinate union, shall prefer charges before the proper authorities against all violators of this section.

Now, if I wanted to commit any of the miserable wrongs forbidden in this section, I would never tell anybody. The man who demands its repeal in effect confesses that he wants to circulate malicious and untrue statements reflecting on officers and members of the I. T. U. and to impugn their motives and reflect on their honesty without being liable to be "brought to book" for so doing. Why should a good union man want to do these things? Any man with an atom of brain knows that this does not forbid criticism, but only criminal libel. Can't you criticise a man without calling him a rat or a thief?

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Without necessarily having anything in particular in mind, I suggest whether the union ought not to take some means to protect itself from possible accidents in the collection and turning in of dues by chapels. This may be done in any of several ways: By having the officers of the union select the man whose duty it is to collect the dues (he need not be the chairman); by bonding every such person, or by holding each individual member of the chapel responsible for the delivery of his dues to the secretary. I should prefer the first, but some favor the latter; the second would be more or less expensive and annoying.

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Johnny Huston is fishing out somewhere in Indiana. The next thing we hear will be the great scarcity of fish in those lakes.

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Sonny Gunn, "Rough Writer," and I are about all who are left of the correspondents, and I don't know that I shall let Sonny stay very long.

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Charlie Buchanan is foreman of the Annex in the absence of Wheat and Huston, but the boys are not enough stuck on him yet to bring him red apples or bouquets.

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I would not like to take a contract to indorse everything that my friend Shrope, of the Easton (Pa.) *Journal*, might say, but I commend as unusually fair, coming from the enemy, his account and estimate of the action of the convention in the case of Shelby Smith, which, according to my advices, will be found in another part of this paper.

A. F. BLOOMER.

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JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

David Pollock has returned from the Home at Colorado Springs and has been reinstated in the G. P. O.

Showing the cosmopolitan nature of the Government Printing Office, last week three of the lady compositors took their annual leave. Miss Wallace went to Portland, Me., and Miss Stagg to Portland, Oreg. Miss Stagg, I am told, will form a life partnership during her absence and again take up her resdence in the Far West.

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AMUSEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

THEATERS.

CHASE'S THEATER.

The polite vaudeville entertainment at Chase's this week has seldom, if ever, been surpassed and all the acts upon the bill are of sufficient merit to entitle them to headline honor. Miss "Cissie" Loftus ranks first in merit, and as a mimic and impersonator of stage celebrities has no peer. Her reception was an ovation and repeated encores were demanded. The second number to receive high honors was the Four Bards, who introduce a phenomenal routine of inimitable balancing and acrobatic feats. Augusta Glose, in her original musical monlogue, is exceedingly clever in her comedy portrayal of character types. The Watson, Hutchings and Edwards Co. kept the audience in a state of greatest humor with its sketch entitled, "The Vaudeville Exchange," the piece abounding in clever specialties. The Four Sullys have a vehicle which serve to exploit the abilities of two of the most talented youngsters ever seen on the stage. Belle Hathaway's Monkey comedians, Saunders in comic "chalk talk" and the motion pictures of "The Nervous Bridegroom" complete this most excellent bill, which is drawing capacity audiences twice daily, to this beautiful and popular playhouse.

COLUMBIA THEATER.

George Ade's new play "The Bad Samaritan" proved to be a great success on its opening night at the Columbia theater this week. The work is written in Mr. Ade's happiest vein; the music is bright and gives the old theater goers a chance to hear something out of the ordinary.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

FIRST DIVISION.

Maker-up W. R. Verlander has gone to Niagara Falls.

W. J. Delano and family celebrated Labor Day down at Colonial Beach.

"Doc" Radley returned to office Tuesday, improved in appearance by his week's outing.

Since Friday maker-up W. E. Lewis is doing business on the "Y," his leave having expired.

Messrs. Darden, Jordan, Nachman, Quinn and Wilhelm have returned from the Specifications.

Oscar Nelson, of the Fourth Division, resigned on Tuesday and will remove to Southern California.

Owing to the illness of his mother, George A. Tuttle has not yet returned from his Western home.

Julius C. Shinnen reported last Saturday after passing his vacation at his home town, Atlantic City, N. J.

Did you see the postals received by Simon Pocher from his friend J. S. Burnside, Chicago, Ill. Holy smoke!

A second reinstatement during the week was that of Thomas E. Doty, of Wisconsin. He was given Slug 68, Alley 12.

Charles H. Coe has been transferred from the Job Room and assigned to slug 50. Mr. Coe worked in this Division some years ago.

C. M. Robinson, of the Proof Boom, having returned from Colonial Beach, is visiting in in the Valley of Virginia the present week

Messrs. C. L. Williams, W. J. McEvoy, A. L. Huss, A. J. McMillan, and F. W. Kern reported for work on Tuesday, after enjoying their annual leave.

Mr. Thomas Burns, chief engineer of the "midday dairy" and a "steady" in the "Y," visited Norfolk and Virginia Beach during our late Labor Day holiday.

Maker-up Lesher's assistant and the venerable Secretary of this chapel N. J. (New Jersey) Lillard is taking a week's rest down at Chapel Point. His wife accompanied him.

How were you pleased with that delightfully copious "week-end" shower last Saturday at one o'clock. We certainly have had an abundance of rain at quitting time this summer.

Don't all stand up at once. Who was the member of this Division that lost his hat in the vicinity of the Flatiron building in New York, and was obliged to purchase another straw bonnet?

Watchman George Schlosser has returned from his annual leave, apparently greatly benefited. Much of his idle time was passed watching the steam barges sailing on the Eastern branch.

A very generous subscription, aggregating upwards of $40 was forwarded on the eve of Labor Day, to our sadly afflicted fellow-workman, R. S. Townsend, at his Virginia home. Printers, charitable to a fault, well, yes.

Benjamin F. Henry, who was discharged under Public Printer Benedict's administration in August, 1894, was reinstated on Thursday last and given slug 71. Since his discharge Mr. Henry has traveled quite extensively.

The following question was up for discussion by the "Roomer" Committee on Tuesday: "Is the Pocahontas of the Randall line of steamers a sidewheeler or a propeller?" Decided in the affirmative, there being but one dissenting vote.

All reports to the contrary, Geo. P. Dowell reported for work on Friday. During his fifteen days' leave, George "touched" at a number of ports, among them New York City, Buffalo, Saratoga, Coney Island, Atlantic City and Philadelphia.

Via Underground Grape Vine line, from the first floor below going down, we learn that in the absence of Timekeeper Harding, H. B. Major is acting and that the well known Pennsylvania representative, Imposer Moyer, is doing the "copy" stunt.

Recently Mr. W. L. Pierce and Miss Ella McGraw, long time employes of this office, were quietly married. As the bridegroom is one of the best known members of this chapel, everybody hereabouts wishes the newly-wedded couple a future of universal happiness.

On Tuesday of last week, Mr. Chris. C Auracher, one of the best known printers in the G. P. O., landed in New York City, after a delightful four weeks' visit in his homeland—Germany. Chris. returned to work on Tuesday morning and was warmly greeted. *Will Kommen Zu Hause.*

We are informed by Doorkeeper Geo. C. Harris and Assistant Thomas Peter that during the two warmest months in the year, July and August, a total of 1,900 persons have visited the new printing office, or an average of 45 visitors per day for each week day. Certainly a record breaker.

George Coe, a former employe of the old Document Room, who was "let out" together with many other good printers, holds a good position with the Washington Gaslight Company. Mr. Coe was exceedingly popular and a fine workman. His old friends will be pleased to learn of his prosperity.

Captain Carr, watchman, has gone to Denver to attend the G. A. R. encampment. He has not his equal on the force, for popularity. Some years since he was the innocent cause of a genuine joke on a couple of G. P. O. Council's officers. But, we are glad to say, he still lives and did not realize.

It remained for McKinley Council of the National Union to give the crowd who attended their excursion to Marshall Hall last Thursday evening a generous treat of ice cream and cake. This is one of the most most progressive Councils of the National Union in this jurisdiction, and its membership is largely composed of Navy Yard employes.

Some one has facetiously remarked that even the clock over in the cage observed Labor Day, and stopped at 11.55 p. m. on Sunday night. To this another witty suburbanite adds that Sam passed up the cage at 10.30 on Tuesday a. m., glanced at the clock, saw the time indicated, and proceeded at once to the washroom to get ready for lunch. Moral—Be careful of stop clocks.

Charley Gunn has most truthfully said "Uncle Sam has provided about everything that the ingenuity of man can conceive of for the benefits of his servants employed in the new building of the big printery." In this connection would it not be a grand idea to have a shelter constructed on the outside of the building for the convenience or comfort of the 4,000 employes during inclement weather before the doors are open in the morning or at the close of the day's work. Merely a suggestion.

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The following members of this Division have been granted leave, beginning September 7:

W. M. Leavitt, in charge of "Y"; Maker-up James W. Mathers and Judge Underwood.

Imposer Col. Thos. J. Daily.

Compositors James Carville, Chas. A. Morgan, W. H. Guthridge, B. L. Fowler, W. F. Councell, and Chas. Danenhower.

Helpers C. C. Thayer and John Waller, and laborer E. J. Robinson.

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The following tribute to a worthy member of this chapel, from the pen of our friend, Charles S. Gunn, we most heartily indorse:

In this connection I may add that the name of Delegate Philip Steele is being strongly used with that of the presidency of No. 101. Friends of Mr. Steele claim that his plea at Toronto for harmony, without condemnation of the International officers, or without upholding the acts of Smith, brought to the fore his true character, and that with such a man up for the high office of president the hope of the down town for placing one of their own associates in the chair would be lost—for this year at least.

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Be careful; do not paste any notices or cards on the bulletin board, that will obscure official notices. A word to the wise.

Guess who this was intended for; it was printed on a postal mailed from Chicago:

I'd love to read a line from you,
A line from her, from him,
Though other lines oft carry charms.
Your knowing,
Sunny Jim.

Of course it was one of those horrible suggestive cards.

ROUGH WRITER.

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SIXTH DIVISION.

Only eight more pay days till Christmas.

Get down to business. No more holidays till Thanksgiving.

A little baby girl arrived at the house of A. A. Davis, of this Division, on Saturday.

Charles O'Connell, the gentleman from Kentucky, is again doing time in this Division. Mr. O'Connell visited Virginia Beach and other Southern resorts.

Among the recently organized unions in Chicago is that of the "Strike-breakers." Now for a "Neck-breakers" union with this gang as a field for operation.

Machine Helper Al. Potter got back to work on Saturday last. A trip to New York by sea and a visit in New Jersey, assisted in passing fifteen days' leave of absence.

George S. Fletcher completed fifteen days' leave of absence on Saturday. Being a fisherman of great ability Mr. Fletcher found much enjoyment in catching little fish in nearby waters.

After completing a trip covering most all the important points between Washington and the Pacific Coast, and lasting two months, machine operator James F. Spence returned to work in this Division last week.

Word has recently been received from Charles Morrison, of the Job Proof Room, who in last July went West on account of his health, to the effect that he has been confined in a hospital at Wichita, Kan., undergoing some sort of a surgical operation.

Maker-up Jerome Kendall spent last week in New York, from which port he took in all the surrounding pleasure resorts. While in the Metropolis he met Harry Bradley, formerly of this Division, whom he reports as doing exceedingly well as a machine operator on the *New York World*.

With the passing of Labor Day many of the boys of this Division are returning, and for the first time since early last June the Record Division begins to look its natural self. On Tuesday Timekeeper Ed. Moores relieved Maker-up Mohler from further duty with the time slips and paste brush. A. A. Maul took possession of Merg. 13, and Lieut. Ed. M. Nevils, of Merg. 16. The three gentlemen named have been enjoying seventeen days of their annual leave.

Harry Howe, machine operator on Merg. 9, is married. Prior to his departure on his regular vacation last week there was nothing to indicate that he had any such an act in contemplation. Not even his closest friends were permitted to enjoy the secret. It was not until the receipt of cards last week by a few of his friends announcing the event that it was known he had passed into that state where two hearts beat as one, but where the boarding-house keeper declares there's two separate appetites. On August 30 Harry Howe was married to Miss Inez Pepper at Astor, W. Va., and after October 1 will be at home, 32 Todd place northeast, to their friends.

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It was not until after a conversation with Mr. Wm. Muhlhoffer, formerly a G. P. O. apprentice, now a prominent business man of Cincinnati, that I learned that Jimmie Platt, of the Job Room, was a poet. Away back in the year 1887, a rather eccentric printer named Timothy O'Sullivan, together with Mr. Muhlhoffer and another printer were placed in charge of the dead bill board. To O'Sullivan's way of thinking the position was one which should pay at least a few cents per hour more than a compositor, and he addressed a letter to Public Printer Benedict, saying he and his assistants would like an audience, which was immediately granted, and the three marched into the presence of the Public Printer.

"Mr. Benedict," explained O'Sullivan, "we have come to you seeking a raise in salary. Not only is our position one of dignity but of great responsibility."

"Have you seen the Captain?" said Benedict.

"No, your honor, we have come direct to the fountain head."

"Well," said Benedict, "I'll consider the matter."

"Very well," said O'Sullivan, "but we hope you will render a speedy decision."

"Very well," said Benedict, "I will render a speedy one. You and your trustees may get out of the room and go back to the case."

And so O'Sullivan and his assistants marched out, and back to the case. At the time the affair caused much merriment, and for the occasion Mr. James Platt, now of the Job room, wrote the following lines:

Timmy O'Sullivan he did command
Two-tried and sturdy men,
He marched them into Benedict
An' he marched them out agin,
And when they were in they were in
And when they were out they were out
But when they were in the hallway
They were neither in nor out.

CHAS. S. GUNN.

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POWER OF UNION.

What Organization Has Done For Street Railway Workers

President W. D. Mahon, of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees, gave some advice to street car men in an address delivered the other day to the members in Pittsburg. Among other things Mr. Mahon says:

"Do not let any one tell you that our country is going to be destroyed by organized labor. That is false. We were told that years ago. The alarmist was abroad when organized labor began to spread throughout our country, but we have developed and we have intelligently conducted our affairs, and we have not destroyed the country either. On the contrary, we have just cause to claim that we have been the savior of our country. The trades union movement has taken the wage earner from a practical slave wage and developed him until today we stand an important factor in the community, and we are in no way threatening the structure of our government. True, we have made mistakes. They have told us of our mistakes and they have told us of many mistakes of which we are not guilty, but I want to say to you that all mistakes do not rest with the trades union.

"As pertains to our own movement, I am not going to take time to make a full comparison. I need not do so to you. Suffice it to say that where we are organized the wages are the best and the hours the least, and I want to say to you that where we are organized and the wages are the best and the hours the least there you will find the best men. These hours and wages were obtained by organization, and it must be admitted that it has fixed a standard which is a sort of a magnet for the unorganized, although they do not attain in unorganized sections the wages and conditions we enjoy. In our movement, started twelve years ago, men were working for a wage of from 10 to 15 cents per hour, mostly day wages being paid, and in some instances I know where the wage was down to as low as 7 and 8 cents per hour, but the character of toil in those days was different from that of of today. Instead of the nine and ten hour day we were working from fourteen to seventeen and eighteen hours for a day. There was no question about schedules.

"The fact is the street car man went to work in the morning, and he took his car in with him at night. He burned the candle on both ends of the day, and for this long and weary day's work he received as his pay the munificent sum of from $1 to $1.75, generally the wage being from $1.40 to $1.60 per day. He did not have time to discuss schedules with the boss or anything else. If he didn't like the job he could go and look for another. Through hard, earnest work we have changed these conditions through our organization, and the young men of today cannot realize the hardships which these older men underwent during this transformation. But you say we worked on horse cars. Ah, my friends, we worked under those conditions after the electric car was started and would have continued working the long hours at the low wages up to the present time had it not been for organization."

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Defeat of the Child Labor Bill.

Editor of THE TRADES UNIONIST:

Again the Georgia Legislature has followed in the wake of its many predecessors and voted down the child labor bill. But the advocates of the bill have some hopes of securing the passage of the measure in the near future.

Not many years ago, when organized labor first began to make war on child slavery in the South—for that is just what it means—it was almost impossible to muster more than a half dozen votes in its favor, and they were cast by members of organized labor; but of late years, through persistent effort on the part of the labor unions, the measure has been gaining in favor. The churches, too long silent, have at last had their eyes open to the fact that this question of child labor is also a great moral question, as it affects the very home life of the people, and during the recent session of the legislature unions and churches have been working in the interests of the bill. The bill passed the lower house by a handsome majority (the first time, I believe), but it was murdered in the senate by a vote of 27 to 17.

So the mill owners of Georgia will continue to grind out dividends out of the lives of innocent little children. But let us hope that ere long Georgia will throw off the chains of child slavery and take her place among the more enlightened States of the Union. Somewhere in the Good Book Jesus is quoted as saying, "Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not," etc., but the mill owners of Georgia could well take that passage from the Scriptures and hang it outside of their mills so as to read: "Suffer little children to come unto us and forbid them not, as it means larger dividends."

But the trade unionist of my native State will have to sooner or later realize this one important fact, that if they intend to carry this fight to a successful finish they will have to throw off, in a measure, the party yoke, and in the future vote only for those who will vote for the bills advocated by organized labor. Party fealty at times means union disloyalty.

F. C. ROBERTS.

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Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 333 I street s w.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

Bricklayers, No. 1, meets second and fourth Thursdays in each month at Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. Milford Spohn, Secretary, 1238 Eighth street northwest.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—John G. Wolfe, Chairman, 1023 New Jersey avenue northwest; John T. Kenealy, Secretary, 1230 Four-and-a half street southwest; T. Costello, 37 K street northwest; Jos. Hutton, 809 F street southwest; James Murtaugh, 3160 P street northwest.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5, meets every Friday night at 7.30, in Hall 1, Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. George W. Nyman, Secretary, 1253 Eighth street northwest.

Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

Electrotype Molders and Finishers, No. 17, I. S. and E. U. Meets Wonn's Hall, 721 Sixth street northwest, the first Thursday of each month. H. C. Poppe, Secretary-Treasurer.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, Amalgamated, No. 148, meets second and fourth Wednesdays at 922 Pennsylvania avenue n. w. Martin Hellmuth, Secretary, 609 D street southwest.

Plate Printers Union, No. 2, meets on second Sunday in each month at 2.30 p. m., at Typographical Temple, 425 G street northwest. J. Edward Beach, President; J. C. Staats, Secretary, Kensington, Md.

Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Union, No. 11773, meets second Tuesday in each month at 7.30 p. m., Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. Frank F. Hartwell, Secretary, 810 Twentieth street northwest.

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, First Branch, meets every alternate Monday evening at 610 G street northwest, Building Trades Hall. President, R. R. Rhodes. Financial and Recording Secretary, Fred Hook, 1034 Sixth street northeast. Business Agent, W. F. Gilmore, 624 Sixth street northwest.

Tile Setters Helpers, Local No. 12, meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month in Room No. 3, Building Trades Halls, 624 Sixth street northwest. J. Pettis, Recording Secretary, 3409 N street northwest.

Washington Feeders and Assistants No. 42, meets the first Thursday in each month at Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Miss Josephine Mulcahy, Secretary, 29 N street northwest.

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GOMPERS ON LABOR.

Strong Editorial to World of Labor on Advance of Workers.

Sincerely, cordially, and with all vigor we greet the hosts of labor of America with the fraternal "Hail! All Hail Labor Day!"

May you, the toilers of our land, learn your full rights, have the understanding and the manhood to withstand them.

Upon the shoulders of the workers of our time rests the responsibility. To them is committed the mission by those who have in the past struggled for liberty, justice, and right to carry on the great work where they have laid it down.

Within the past two decades much has been done by the workers in the fulfillment of this great duty. Organized labor within that period has immensely improved the material, moral, and social condition of the workers. Increased wages have been secured and maintained; the workday has been shortened, resulting in better education, more books, and better pictures; more food, better clothing, better surroundings, brighter and better homes; more time and opportunity for the cultivation of the best that is within us; honorable labor alternating with healthy leisure with all that it implies; leisure to live, leisure to love, leisure to taste our freedom.

And withal, for the improvements which have come to the toilers in their work, in their homes, or in any other field, they are indebted and under obligations to no one or to nothing but their own increased intelligence, character, and grit, as manifest in their associated capacity in the trade union movement.

Much remains to be done for the present as well as the future, but the achievements of the trade union movement in the interests of the workers of America must prove to all an incentive to greater effort. To those impatience with what they regard as the slow growth, we commend a retrospective view into the conditions of the past.

A farmer who was plowing up his field looked ahead at the ground yet to be covered and looked visibly disheartened. An observing friend standing nearby called his attention to the work already accomplished, and reminded him that by perseverence and persistence alone is achievement or success possible. So say we to our fellow workers.

It is true that conditions are not now what we have a right to expect and hope them to be, but look back and count with the time when the workers were veritable slaves, toiling long hours for pitiably low wages under awfully impoverishing conditions, when the employer was the master of all he surveyed and the worker toiled long without hope or aspiration for himself or his kind.

Much of the burdens of ages which were borne by the type of "The Man With the Hoe" has been lifted, and the bent form and the receding forehead have been changed to the upright attitude and a higher developed manhood, with a better life today and a better prospect for the days to come, and this has been accomplished under our modern industrial system through the numbers, powers, aggressiveness, intelligence, and manhood of our trade union movement.

If there need be any proof as to the advanced position which the workmen of our country now proudly occupy as compared to the past, the absolute mastery of employers and the servility of the workmen of the past stand in strong contrast to the dignified and respectful position now attained and maintained by labor.

Organized labor, the trade union movement of America, has compelled public opinion to take a better and more comprehensive view of the rights of labor, and to consider and even commend the rational, natural movement of the workers for self protection by associated effort in the trade union movement.

In our day all great questions are considered with a view to their economic and material influence upon the people, and this of necessity affects the working people most, inasmuch as they constitute so large a proportion of the people.

Our schools, colleges, and universities now have classes in which the great labor problem in all its phases is investigated and discussed; it forms an important part of the curriculum of institutions of learning.

The inter-collegiate and club debates are now largely devoted to the great questions of and applying to organized labor.

Our newspapers and magazines devote columns in the presentation of "labor news" and dissertations on the rights and claims of organized labor. Many, aye, very many, of these are not always favorable to the position or contentions of organized labor, but it is a hopeful sign, brimful of opportunities and possibilities, when this most potent subject in all its ramifications is being investigated and discussed. The greatest danger to the toilers of our country would be should little or no thought be given to the great problems and principles in which they are so much interested. Iuvestigation and discussion can only aid in the triumph of the great cause of labor—the cause of humanity.

Take the few following incidents and utterance as futher indications of the progress made by the great labor movement of America:

At the general convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, held in Boston, October, 1904, the following declaration was adopted:

The cause of labor is the effort of men, being men, to live the life of men. Its purpose is to maintain such a standard of wages, hours, and conditions as shall afford every man an opportunity to grow in mind and in heart. Without organization the standard cannot be maintained in the midst of our present commercial conditions.

A few months ago the synod of the Presbyterian Church declared its purpose to make a systematic study of the entire labor question and the industrial problem, and directed that committees in every locality should appoint a board of experts for the purpose of informing the churches with respect to the aims of organized labor, as well as to ask for the inauguration of a plan to establish fraternal relations with workmen in their organizations.

In an address President Roosevelt recently said: "I strongly believe in trade unions, wisely and justly handled, in which the rightful purpose to benefit those connected with them is not accompanied by a desire to do injustice or wrong to others. I believe in the duty of capitalists and wage workers to try to seek one another out, to understand each other's point of view, and to endeavor to show broad and kindly human sympathy one with the other."

At the same gathering at Wilkes-Barre, addressing largely the members of the miner's union, Cardinal Gibbons paid a great tribute to labor and expressed the hope that the President's beneficent influence would be to strengthen the mining regions "the good relations between employer and employed," and closed with this:

"God bless the noble working men,
Who rear the cities of the plain,
Who dig the mines and build the ships,
And drive the commerce of the main.
God bless them, for their swarthy hands
Have wrought the glory of our lands."

The above utterances of men in great public positions are simply indications of the better and higher conception which now obtains in regard to the work and aims of the great labor movement. It required work and sacrifice to produce such a state of mind in men who occupy such preeminent positions in the public mind, when such men can reach the mental stage where they may safely and freely express their judgment upon a movement which, until yesterday, was regarded as unlawful, criminal, and subversive of the public weal.

The discordant note detected in the futile and vapid utterances of a Parry or a Post need be given little attention, reminding us simply of the ignorance, bigotry, and avarice of bygone days.

The great work of reform, relief and improvement in the condition of men and women of labor and their children has advanced the morals of the man of labor, the entire family has been elevated, resulting in the development of better and higher attributes of human character and nobler aspirations among all for all.

On this Labor Day, 1905, let us all take upon ourselves new resolves to greater and better efforts to bring within the beneficent fold of our unions the yet unorganized workers.

Let us earnestly and faithfully strive to more fully earn and deserve the respect and confidence of America, and press home, hour by hour, day by day, the just claims which our trade union movement makes upon modern society.

Let us organize, unite, and federate, and by the exercise and practice of the principles of solidarity, fraternity, honesty, fair dealing, and justice, we shall make the days to come brighter and better, not only for labor, but for all.—*Samuel Gompers, in the American Federationist.*

A Statement and an Appeal.

By CHARLES STELZLE.

I stand squarely for organized labor. My membership in the International Association of Machinists indicates the practical evidence of this fact.

I believe in it not only because I have been convinced through theoretical study of the logic of its principles, but because I have passed through an experience which brought me face to face with the actual conditions which confront many of the toilers of to-day. It was not an experience, by the way, which was entered into simply for the purpose of making a "sociologic study" of the poor.

When Samuel Gompers and his co workers began their agitation for the abolition of the tenement house cigar factory and with it the curse of child labor, I began my life's work at eight years of age in a cigar factory in the basement of a New York tenement. The headache and the exhaustion due to bad ventilation in this "factory" make me sympathetic toward the sweatshop worker who recently died crying—"Give me air!"

I know all the inconveniences and shocking experiences of tenement house life, for an east side tenement was my home for nearly twenty years. The pangs of unsatisfied hunger are familiar to me. The aspirations of the boy and the young man deprived of even a fair education strike in me a sympathetic chord. The longings for better and higher things which are often denied the poor were also mine.

And so I am a brother-man with the great mass of toilers. If, to the measure of my ability and my opportunity, I failed to respond to their needs, physical, mental or moral—I would be false to myself, to my fellows, and to God.

With this spirit and with this purpose in view, the Department of Church and Labor of the Presbyterian Church has called me to become its superintendent. Believing that the church is simply a means to an end, and not an end in itself, it shall be our plan to make it the servant of the people. In order to accomplish this, we shall need the cooperation of every man and woman who believes in the progress of the human race. Especially do I want the help of every toiler in the land. In the matter of acquainting the ministers with the facts regarding the labor movement you may be of great service. Many of them have misunderstood the great mass of men who are struggling for their rights, just as the workingman has often misunderstood the Christian minister.

I shall appreciate receiving suggestions from any man or woman who is willing to help in this cause. Write me at 153 La Salle street, Chicago. Let us give each other a fair chance.

Bookbinders Successful.

Bookbinders Union, No. 4, of this city, has reason for congratulation from the fact that its new scale of prices for the down town shops went into effect without any friction. This is in marked contrast with similar efforts in other cities, and at a time when the binderies were short on work. President Feeney, of No. 4, naturally feels gratified at the result.

The Greater New York Bakers' Union in consequence of the court decision declaring the ten-hour day unconstitutional, will enforce the demand through its own efforts if possible. In a statement issued the organization says it will organize as thoroughly as possible and fight for the ten-hour day on trade union lines.

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Financial Aid, But Not Moral Support.

Editor of THE TRADES UNIONIST:

Why is it that union men will always contribute money to any and all unions who are in trouble, but overlook the most essential part of the situation?

Recently a committee visited this city appealing for aid, both financial and moral, for the locked-out employes of the Troy (N. Y.) laundries. Money was readily given by the various Locals. But are we giving them the proper moral support? If we were the merchants would handle union shirts, collars, and cuffs. But it is almost impossible to buy union collars and cuffs in this city. But do not lest us blame the merchants. If union men would ask for them and take none else they would soon handle them. The following letter recently received from a member of the local Bookbinders' Union explains the case exactly. Pity there is not more like him:

WASHINGTON, D. C., *September 2, 1905.*

Mr. F. C. ROBERTS:

Kindly let me know what houses, if any, handle union collars and cuffs. I visited our large stores last week, on Pennsylvania avenue and Seventh street, and failed to find any on sale. Nearly all the stores handle the scab Cluett, Peabody & Co.'s goods.

Yours, etc.,

——— ———,
G. P. O.

F. C. ROBERTS.

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.10 p. m. on Monday, President McCarthy in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Tile Layers, No. 2: August Hageman, vice Dan Dowd.

Stationary Firemen, No. 63: James McDonald, vice Michael J. Corkery.

Carriage and Wagon Workers, No. 72: Frank Wilcocks, vice George Langhenry.

The Grievance Committee reported progress on Horse Shoers and Building Laborers cases.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Bookbinders: Reported that they had been successful in establishing a flat scale of $18 per week in this city.

Hod Carriers: Requested that the special committee appointed to assist them in the A. B. Stannard case make their report.

The committee reported that the manager of the A. B. Stannard Co. absolutely refused to deal with a colored man.

The secretary was directed to communicate with A. B. Stannard and inform him that his manager on the Department of Agriculture building refuses to employ Union hod carriers, and request that he grant an interview to the representatives of the Central Labor Union on his next visit to the city.

Musicians: That the condition of the Union with the unfair theaters was unchanged, except in the case of the Lafayette, which had passed into the hands of David Belasco, who would assume charge on October 1, and that he would conduct a union house.

Plate Printers: That a committee from that Union had succeeded in having Emil West, 430 Seventh street Northwest, remove an "Arrow" brand collar sign from his window and also cease handling Cluett, Peabody & Co goods.

Painters: Requested that the Contract Committee take up the Maddox case, as he was preparing to build several new houses.

Sheet Metal Workers: That the new scale of $4 per day for their trade would go into effect on the 12th inst.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The special committee having charge of the Mill Workers Helpers case reported that Central Labor Union was in no position to do anything in the matter. The report of the committee was received and the committee discharged.

The special committee on Stone Laborers case reported progress.

Labor Day Committee reported that the outing at Bennings had been a success, and that a final report would probably be made on Monday next.

The committee offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

To the Friends of the Central Labor Union, Greeting:

Whereas the Labor Day outing, given under the auspices of the Central Labor Union, September 4, 1905, at Bennings Race Course, was an unqualified success and will long be remembered for the perfect manner in which all the contests were conducted and decided and the beautiful and valuable prizes awarded to the successful contestants; and

Whereas the success of the outing was in a great measure due to the co-operation of the business men of this city; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Central Labor Union hereby extends the thanks of all the affiliated unions and of the delegates and officers of Central Labor Union especially, for favors extended, at the same time expressing the hope that the same cordial relations will be maintained in the future.

NEW BUSINESS.

Under this head the following resolution was adopted:

That a special committee of three delegates be appointed by the Chair for the purpose of going over all the old papers on file or deposited in the lockers of the Central Labor Union, and those of no value to be sifted out and destroyed, and those of value to be properly indexed and filed.

Further, that said special committee is hereby empowered to purchase a suitable desk and file case not to exceed the price of $75; said case to contain file compartments for the Grievance Committee, for the Contract Committee, and for the Secretary of the Central Labor Union.

The chair appointed Delegates Dickman, Spohn and Winslow.

On motion of Delegate Adams a committee was appointed, consisting of Delegates Adams, Ross, Snelling, Dickman, and Spohn, to devise ways and means of having a series of lectures delivered to the members of the Central Labor Union and its affiliated organizations.

Adjourned.

Eight-Hour Day Strikes.

The National Typothetæ, composed of employing printers throughout the country, having refused to consider propositions looking to the enforcement of an eight-hour day, the International Typographical Union, through the Executive Council, directed subordinate unions, where no agreements exists to the contrary, to insist on signed agreements effective January 1, 1906. Where a refusal was met a strike followed.

This course was determined upon on account of of the Typothetæ in Detroit, Chicago, and several other cities declaring for the "open shop" in order to force the issue on the employes.

At present the following unions are on strike:

Albany, N. Y.; Peoria, Ill.; Grand Rapids, Mich.; Syracuse, N. Y.; Toledo, Ohio: Richmond, Va.; Lynchburg, Va.; Jersey City, N. J.; Newark, N. J.; Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Saratoga Springs, N. Y.; Ann Arbor, Mich.; Sioux Falls, S. Dak.; Aurora, Ill.; Watertown, N.Y.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Chicago, Ill.; Detroit, Mich., and Springfield, Ill.

All of these unions have secured agreements with a number of offices.

The following unions have secured eight-hour agreements since September 9, when the first notices were sent out from headquarters:

Elmira, N. Y.; Lafayette, Ind.; Lockport, N. Y.; Ottumwa, Iowa; Ottawa, Ill.; Frankfort, Ky.; Cleburne, Texas; Olean, N. Y.; Jacksonville, Ill.; Traverse City, Mich.; Coshocton, Ohio; Mount Vernon, N. Y.; Pontiac, Ill.; Marshalltown, Iowa; Canon City, Colo.; Tiffin and Fostoria, Ohio; Oelwein, Ia.; Dunkirk, N. Y.; Coffeyville, Kans.; Houghton, Mich.; Berlin, N. H.; Herrin, Ill.

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"Yes, sir," said the man, "I do. I've been run over by four of 'em. Good morning."—*Chicago Tribune.*

Union Press Bettering Men.

Education along union lines is the crying need of the present day. The masses must be educated as to the best method of conducting their affairs for the betterment of mankind. Unionism in the fullest sense of the word stands for the uplifting of mankind and not for the tearing down and demoralization of things social and industrial or financial. Not only does the recruit of the army of unionism need education along these lines, but many of the older ones as well. Those outside the union need it also as the average person outside the union can possibly come from the banding together of the working classes. Much good could be accomplished if the employe and employer were in close touch with each other on matters pertaining to unionism, and this can be accomplished by education. That the need of such an education is becoming universal and that the long sought for means through which it may be obtained is now at hand, are strongly evinced by several able publications that are now established throughout the length and breadth of our land with an eye single to the enlightenment of mankind on the subject of unionism.—*Terre Haute Labor News.*

A woman who was called upon to write a paper at a suburban current topics club on Victor Hugo, went to the Carnegie Library erected there, and collated her facts from a number of encyclopædias. When she had finished, having a quarter inch of space at the end of the paper, she thought she would add something original, and wrote: "Whatever we and succeeding generations may think of Victor Hugo, we must agree on one thing, that he wrote good English."

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Bro. Dave Thomas, one of the wheel horses of Columbia Lodge, met with a serious accident last week by being struck in the eye with a flying chip from a piece of steel. For several days it was feared he would lose the eye, but modern surgery mastered the situation, and he is now rapidly recovering.

I received a letter from our shopmate, P. H. Wilkinson, who is spending the summer at Red Sulphur Springs, W. Va., endeavoring to eradicate the white plague from his system. There is no encouraging sentiments expressed in the letter. No better shopmate ever lived than Bro. Wilkinson, and his shopmates regret that the time is fast approaching when the dreaded disease will master our brother.

Leadingman Lescallett is again with us after a serious illness of typhoid. I believe every man in the shop gave him a hearty shake when he reported for work, which is a positive proof of his good standing with the boys. One thing I can say with safety about Sam, no matter how much he is promoted his name remains normal.

Louis Heath, an old timer in the E. G. C. Shop, was unfortunate last week. In moving a large piece of work he fell and fractured his leg. He is unfortunate in this respect, as a few years ago he met with a similar accident and fractured the same leg in almost the same identical spot. He is doing as well as could be expected owing to his advanced age.

One of our scientific experts, Doc. Eversole, has succeeded in perfecting an electrical soldering machine which will do the work of twenty men at a nominal cost. He already has visions of millions and a palatial residence on Easy Street. Good luck to you, Doc.

"The only Tucker" has departed for Boston. The Machinists' convention would be a nonentity in the absence of Tucker. It is reported on good authority that he will, in the near future, make extensive travels in Europe and the continent, studying the labor problems.

Messrs. Arthur Holder and Sam Elder, of Columbia Lodge, have also gone to Boston, the former to act as reading clerk and the latter as a visitor.

Brother Frank O'Connor, who has been absent for several weeks on account of sickness, has reported for work. Frank is one of our best of old bachelors who believes in saving his money and enjoying himself.

Dr. W. K. Ferris, an eye specialist, is enjoying his leave by hunting deer and moose in northern Maine. Doc. never misses sport in the proper season.

Professor Moody, the efficient leader of the Naval Gun Factory Band, in stepping from his carriage a few days ago, was unfortunate in breaking his ankle. He is now about on crutches, which is hard work for the professor, as he is one of the heavy weights in the Fat Men's Club. In the meantime he is producing several new marches for the band, the principal and most popular one being Montague's Gallop.

Quartermaster Crouther has returned from his vacation which was spent in Long Green Valley, Baltimore County, Maryland, the home of Secretary Bonaparte. When asked if he had gotten any fruit from the Bonaparte orchard he remarked that having such a distinct recollection of a previous visit and an automatic flying machine accompanied by a No. 10 boot, he concluded that discretion was the proper thing, and he simply viewed the luscious fruit from a safe distance.

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THE GREATER NAVAL GUN FACTORY.

Notwithstanding the fact that Captain E. C. Pendleton, Superintendent of The Naval Gun Factory, will soon retire from that position, he has not abated in the least degree the interest he has so long manifested in his desire to make the Naval Gun Factory in this city the greatest gun plant on earth. If his present plans are approved by the Department, Congress will be asked at its next session to appropriate sufficient funds to work out the dream. At present the Navy Yard area extends from Ninth street east to Fourth street west and from M street north to the water edge on the south. It is now proposed to increase that area by extending the grounds east to Eleventh street, which would add to the existing area about twenty acres or more.

No one will deny that the Naval Gun Factory is cramped for space, and it is the opinion of naval experts that the Washington Navy Yard, owing to its peculiar fitness and absolute protection, should be extended until it has no equal. It is to be hoped that President Roosevelt and Secretary Bonaparte will make strong recommendations to Congress to carry out the wishes of Captain Pendleton.

One thing we must remember, and it has been a serious drawback to the success of the Naval Gun Factory, is the opposition of private corporations engaged in manufacturing ordnance. The claim which they unjustly set up is that the Government doing its own work better and at a less cost naturally interferes with the contractor doing the same work and is a direct blow to corporations who have expended large sums of money in constructing plants in anticipation of securing Government contracts.

I cannot agree with such statements. There is plenty of work for all—the Government shop and for the contractor. But the level should be the same. In the division of the work cost of manufacture and quality of work manufactured should be equal. If the Naval Gun Factory can furnish the Government with a complete gun, gun carriage, etc., at a certain cost and perfect in all its parts the contractor should be compelled to do likewise. That is only equity and a square deal.

Let us for a moment consider the difference between the Naval Gun Factory and the contractor in the manufacture of ordnance. When the Naval authorites give an order for a new type of gun carriage, the first and most important feature is the construction of a set of jigs, carefully machined and accurately drilled, which enables the workmen to so machine the several parts of the gun carriage that in the assembling all parts of a similar character are interchangeable.

In the preparation of these jigs much time and money is expended which must be added to the cost of the work.

How is it with the contractor? As soon as he receives an order for gun carriages he immediately applies to the Gun Factory to be supplied with such jigs and templates as he needs without a cent cost except for transportation.

Taking the lowest estimate, jigs, etc., cost at least 25 per cent of the first cost, so it can readily be seen the advantage the contractor has over the Naval Gun Factory if they have influence enough to secure the jigs, templates, etc.

In justice to the contractor, however, it is claimed that the Government does not figure on profit which must be included in the bid of a contractor.

Let the next Congress do its duty as asked by Captain Pendleton and appropriate $3,000,000, which will be sufficient not only to purchase more land, new machinery, but to build sufficient shops, not only to expedite the present work but to make what the Captain wishes—the greatest gun plant in the world.

TIM TICKLE.

Personal Mention.

August Donath, of the Pension Bureau, is in New York City the guest of his son.

V. C. Meyerhoffer, one of the ex-delegates and visitors to the Toronto convention, has returned after an extended trip North. Mr. Meyerhoffer enjoyed his stay in Toronto, as he was at one time a resident of that city.

W. E. Kennedy, of THE TRADES UNIONIST staff, is in Louisville to attend the convention of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. The "inside" men hold a caucus this week, and Mr. Kennedy, being an "inside" man, left to attend the caucus on Tuesday. Our printer readers will take the word "inside" advisedly, as it refers to electrical workers in buildings in contradistinction to linemen, who are "outside" men.

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REFLECTIONS ON LABOR.

The claim made by the trade unions that under trade union conditions as much work could be accomplished on our battleships being constructed on an hour basis, has been substantiated by a recent article from the pen of Special Agent F. J. Sheridan, of the Department of Labor. At the end of the fiscal year just closed the union men working on the battleship *Connecticut* accomplished more in an eight-hour day than the men employed on the battleship *Louisiana* who had a ten-hour day, the *Connecticut* being constructed in the Brooklyn Navy Yard under union rules and conditions, while the *Louisiana* is being built under neither union hours or conditions by the Newport News Shipbuilding Co., at Newport News, Va.

It is also claimed by those in a position to know that the work on the *Connecticut* was opposed in many ways by those whose interests it was to delay the progress of the work so as to give the eight-hour workday a set back, but with all the obstacles thrown in their way the men who had charge of the construction of the *Connecticut* made a much better showing than the private company where longer hours were worked and for less pay. Mr. Ethelbert, of the Department of Labor, commenting on the showing made by the Government with that of a private company in the construction of the two ships, says: "So far, the claim of the labor leaders that the eight-hour day is productive of better work and just as much of it in the skilled trades as the ten-hour day, seems to be amply sustained."

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Let a man who is prominent in the trade union movement make use of any inflammatory remarks or intemperate speech and the public press from one end of the country to the other will call upon organized labor to pull away from such demagogues. But only recently two prominent politicians—and I am a great admirer of one of them—made statements that would do justice to the talk of the wildest labor agitator. Governor La Follette, of Wisconsin, before an Illinois audience, said: "I'd like to strangle President Fish of the Illinois Central Railroad," and Governor Davis of Arkansas, who by the way, is a candidate for the United States Senate, in speaking to an audience about the legislature of his State, said: "The best thing you can do with that State House is to put a can of dynamite under it and blow it up." Organized labor challenges those who are persistent in maligning and misrepresenting them to show where any labor leader has made use of such intemperate speech.

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The report of our foreign counsels, who represent us in all parts of the world, showing the progress made on the lines of governmental control of public utilities, must make a cold chill run up and down the spinal column of the *Post*, *Star*, et al. who never see any good in such reforms. A country where there are no millionaires and no paupers would not be a congenial place for those whose only ambition is to be one of the former. I hardly think it probable that a man has to pay $10,000 for a seat in a board of trade in such countries.

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If the union men would only demand the union label on what they wear the open shop question would soon be a thing of the past.

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I sometimes feel like questioning the sincerity of the fellow who says: "I'm against the open shop," and yet persists in buying the product of the open shop—clothes, etc., without the union label.

F. C. ROBERTS.

Suddenly Bereaved.

Mr. Wm. J. C. O'Brien, of the Specification Division, has the sympathy of all in the loss sustained by the death of his son Alfred, who died of typhoid fever on the 11th inst., at the age of five years. The blow came with crushing effect to the parents and to a large circle of friends.

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Organized Labor and the Church.

By CHARLES STELZLE.

Here comes the editor of a Western Socialist paper, who accuses me of trying to "swing workingmen into the church," and immediately he declares that I am insincere in my motives.

I do not expect to make every reader believe that I am perfectly sincere. I do not propose to try it; but there is nothing like plainly telling another man just what you believe and why you believe it.

Recently I declared with emphasis that I stand for organized labor, and I gave my reasons for this position. I'd like to know why it is inconsistent for a man to believe in both the trades union and the church; and if I believe in the church, why should I hesitate to tell men so and try to persuade them that it is a good thing, just as I would tell them that trades unions is a good thing?

I do not think for a moment that any sane workingman would believe me if I pretended I do not care whether or not he is indifferent to the church, and that for which it stands.

And so I would say without fear of losing caste with my fellows, that just as I stand for organized labor, so I stand for the organized church. And just as I would persuade a man to identify himself with one, so I should seek to have him identify himself with the other, because, however they may differ in some of their methods, they have much in common.

The pledge of the man who unites with the American Federation of Labor, commits him to "the emancipation of our class from poverty, ignorance and selfishness; to be respectful in word and action to every woman; to be considerate to the widow and orphan, the weak and the defenceless; and never to discriminate against a fellow-worker on account of creed, color or nationality. To defend freedom of thought, whether expressed by tongue or pen. To educate ourselves and our fellow-worker in the history of the labor movement. We promise that we will never knowingly wrong a brother or see him wronged, if in our power to prevent it. We will endeavor to subordinate every selfish impulse to the task of elevating the material, intellectual and moral conditions of the entire laboring class."

Every Christian man and woman could subscribe to these principles. There is nothing in them that is contrary to the pledge of the man who joins the church. Need I be ashamed, therefore, of asking a man to identifiy himself with an organization which stands committed to these high purposes?

When the church was started two thousand years ago, it was organized by a company of workingmen. Its leader was a carpenter. When it spread to other cities it was received most cordially by the workingmen who formed the great labor guilds of the day, the labor unions we would now call them. And it is not impossible that Jesus Himself was a member of a carpenter's guild in Nazareth.

I can see no reason why workingmen should not again rally around the Church of Christ, accepting Him as their leader and their champion. I believe the day is approaching when this will come to pass; when with the power that can come alone from Him; the pledge of the unionist and the vow of the Christian, looking toward the complete emancipation of the whole body of workingmen, physical, mental and moral, will be lived out for the sake of our brother men.

Death of Peter Harr.

Peter Harr, for thirty-five years manager of Pearson's printing office, died on Tuesday, after an illness of several months duration. As an employer Mr. Harr commanded the respect and esteem of all his employees, showing a fairness that could be emulated by many employers. He was a thorough printer, well versed in the art, and insisted on good workmanship throughout the establishment.

The funeral took place from his late residence, 405 Spruce street, today (Thursday) at 4 o'clock.

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FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

A colored laborer in the Third Division went down the room the other day with his lip hanging down. "I guess I must be the most important man in the building," said he. "The Public Printer asked for the resignation of the foreman of printing; he can be spared. He asked for the resignation of the foreman of the Job Room; he can be spared. The President asked for the resignation of the Public Printer; he can be spared. I asked for only fifteen days' leave and they tell me I can't be spared."

He might be able to console himself with a couple of old stories:

While Disraeli was Prime Minister of England, on going in to dinner with a lady one evening she said:

"The nobility all take precedence of you, though Prime Minister, Mr. Disraeli."

"Yes," he said, "and notwithstanding I have made a dozen of them during the year."

President Lincoln was reading a report of a battle, when his brow darkened.

"The rebels have captured twenty-five mules," he said.

"But don't you see we lost two brigadier-generals?" asked a friend.

"I don't mind that," said Lincoln. "I can make a brigadier-general in a minute, but mules cost money."

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Sonny Gunn undertook a rather underhanded game with Pony Davis, of the Sixth Division, in announcing last week that Pony's new baby was a girl and coming in the next day after the paper came out and crowing that he had a new boy baby at his own house. Pony's kid is also a boy. But Sonny's boy has the advantage that his father is a printer, his mother is a printer, and a printer, Dr. D. W. Chadwick, was the attending physician.

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If there had been anything in the 13 hoodoo C. B. Nelson, of the Fourth Division, would have experienced it last Friday. He is Slug 13; he turned in take 3113, measuring 1,300 ems, at 3.13 p. m. But at last accounts he was well and happy and still in possession of his job.

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From the case to Public Printer in eight years is pretty rapid climbing, but it is the record Mr. Ricketts has made. He is the only Public Printer who was ever employed in the office in any other capacity than as Public Printer, though there have been a number of aspirants among those who have filled subordinate positions, and many of them very able men and fully competent to fill the office. It is true that at this writing Mr. Ricketts is only acting Public Printer, but I do not believe there are many who doubt that he will receive the permanent appointment. I believe he is the youngest man who has ever held the position.

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William A. Hartman, whose illness has been reported in these columns, died last Thursday at his residence in this city, in his fifty-seventh year. The funeral was on Saturday and the interment at Glenwood. He had a stroke of paralysis some months ago, from which he had partially recovered. Mr. Hartman was one of the early employes of the Job Room, being at one time assistant foreman. In my earliest knowledge of that department of the office his half-brother, John Shanklin, in 1874, was the foreman. For a number of years Mr. Hartman was in business with Mr. Cadick, as Hartman & Cadick. He was a candidate for president of Columbia Typographical Union thirteen or fourteen years ago, but, after an unusually warm campaign, his opponent, William E. Shields, now of Denver, was elected. Mr. Hartman was an excellent printer, versed in all branches of the trade.

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I recently had a letter from Billy Wilkinson, of Austin, Tex., and as there are many here who have known him, they will be glad to learn that he has so far recovered from a severe attack of rheumatism as to be able to resume work on his proof desk in the office of Gammell & Co., where he has been employed for the past two years. He had spent some weeks at the springs at Marlin, Tex., but without benefit, and he says he was cured by a postal card from me. It will interest Texans—some of them—to hear that Em. Hughes has resigned as State Printer, where he had a salary of $1,500 a year, to become superintendent of the office in which Mr. Wilkinson is employed, at $5,000, and will also give an idea of the difference between salaries paid by private individuals and those paid by governments—State and National—for high-class business ability. Ed Smith was elected to the vacant State printership. Wilkinson also speaks of Mayor Woodward, of Atlanta, as a former "pard" of his at Indianapolis in the seventies, as well as a fellow-delegate to Cincinnati in 1883 He says:

A small scale strike, in which the eight-hour principle is involved, is on at San Antonio. The head of the Typothetae there is a former union man—A. C. Guessaz. He is also a major in the T. V. G., which is fitting. The number of men out cuts but a small figure compared to the effect a loss of the town would have on other unions in the State next January. Guessaz, in his case days, was of the loud-mouthed variety of union men. Thus they go.

He mentions a young fellow named Ingram, who used to work in the G. P. O., as being employed on the "night side" of the shop. My old friend Billy Moorhead, whom many of the old-timers knew somewhere in the country, is running a ranch on the Pecos in summer and works in Austin in winter. He had invited another printer to spend a cool summer with him, but when the friend arrived he found Moorhead sleeping under a wagon, the snakes and other Texas specimens of natural history having run him out of the dugout that he had been occupying. Wilkinson speaks of having known Foreman Hay at Kansas City back in the unwrinkled and black-haired long ago.

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Joe Babcock has been suffering from the glands in his neck, but is on the mend, and, judging from his previous record for remarkable recoveries, I shall be surprised if he is not at work before this is printed. Dr. Chadwick attended him.

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Prematurely born presidential booms, like prematurely born children, are generally short lived—in fact they rarely live long enough to be brought to the baptismal font.

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When "Honest John" O'Neill was "across the pond," during the summer, he called on the secretary of the London Society of Compositors and procured copies of its reports for last year. The society had 11,455 members and a fund of about $270,000. Its annual receipts from all sources amounted to about $148,000. It paid out last year for "superannuation allowances" about $28,000; for funeral claims, about $10,000; for relief of the unemployed, about $64,000. The scale of prices is exceedingly intricate and full of technical terms totally unintelligible to an American. The piecework is about 32 cents per 1,000 as we figure for book work and from that price to 40 cents for newspapers, while timework runs from 18 to 23 cents per hour. The dues are about $1 a month, which is a somewhat larger percentage of wages earned than we pay.

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The delegates to Toronto, by the "chairman of the delegation," as that delegate is called who received the largest vote, will probably make report of the results of the I. T. U. convention at the meeting next Sunday. This is rather a matter of form, for the proceedings are published in the *Typographical Journal* much fuller than the delegates could present them and have the additional merit of being official. But, for all that, I think Mark Barnum ought to be permitted to play at making a report. By the way, Shelby Smith's *Trades Union News* said two or three weeks ago that Mark would have some explaining to do to his constituents, but I don't believe he will. As a general proposition, I think they are very well pleased with his course. Why wouldn't they be when the people who went from here to Toronto expressly to back Shelby up not only abandoned him, but say that he got what was coming to him.

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The *Post* last Saturday had an interesting "story" about Andy Smith, *Record* clerk at the Capitol "from the time when the memory of man runneth not to the contrary." Andy deserves all the stories that can be written about him, for he has demonstrated all these years that he is "the right man in the right place." What he does not know about that particular job nobody else could ever learn.

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Some queer stories having come to me regarding the employment of Johnny Kiernan in Boston, he having resigned here some months ago, as it was said, to take a foremanship there, I wrote to a friend to make some inquiries, eliciting the fact that Kiernan is working in an "open office," he having been dug out by the organizer, who got his Washington card from him and actually had to make him become a member of the Boston Union. But Johnny is intensely religious and presumably correspondingly conscientious.

From the same letter I learn that Oviatt, who was long foreman of the New York *Journal* and who established the Chicago and Boston *Americans* for Mr. Hearst, is now superintendent of Boston *Herald*, succeeding Harding, who is now in charge of the night proof room. Harding succeeded W. J. Quinn about ten years ago. Oviatt commenced from the jump to modernize things.

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One would think that the very few printers who are opposed to the eight hour day because they believe they ought to be permitted to work as many hours as they please would have enough business sense to see that the pay for a day's work is never regulated by the length of it, and that the shorter the day the greater likelihood of overtime work, which is really what they want. The hog who eats himself sick doesn't get fat as fast as the one who eats no more than he can digest and assimilate. I think a hog is a proper comparison in such cases.

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That was a happy thought of the *Post* paragrapher, in accounting for the increased number of robberies in Chicago, that the strike breakers must do something between strikes. It also shows the real estimation in which the strike breaker is held by the world generally.

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Hurrah for the Merg! Hurrah for the Lans!
Hurrah for the funny one's "bun!"
And a double hurrah that we've got a chance
To hurrah for Sonny Gunn's son!

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The true unionist holds in higher esteem his unionism than any other thing on earth. If his union does that which he thinks it ought not to do, he waits for time to right the wrong. If its orders endanger his property, his family's support, against his judgment, still he obeys it, not alone because he knows he will be worse off as a non-unionist, but because his conscience requires it. It is his badge as an honorable man, without which he would despise himself. He may know that, having got without the fold, he may regain membership at some time in the future, but he also knows that he could never again respect himself as he did. He would feel toward himself as the woman does who has taken a false step—that nothing can restore him to the position he once held in his own estimation. Paraphrasing what the true patriot says, "My country, right or wrong," the true unionist says, "My union, right or wrong."

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Delegate and Mrs. J. Vander Perel, after extending their visit to Toronto, came to Washington, and for several days were the guests of Delegate and Mrs. Joe M. Johnson in this city, which they spent sight-seeing. Mr. Vander Perel was associated with Mr. Johnson on the Committee on Laws. They departed last Monday for Fort Wayne, Ind., where they will visit relatives before returning to Denver.

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To my friend Charles W. Fear, of the Kansas City Labor *Herald*, I am indebted for copies of that wide-awake paper, an attention which I appreciate. Of course Mr. Fear has mistaken ideas regarding the attitude of Messrs. Lynch and Bramwood toward the labor press, but he knows that, for it is impossible that as bright a man as he could fail to understand that it was criminal libel and not criticism to which they objected. But really there is no good accomplished by abusive language even towards our enemies, and much less toward those whom the organization by large majorities elected as its principal officers. Is it good unionism to rail at our officers simply because those were not elected that we favored? I think not. Mr. Fear shows his animus by a paragraph ascribing to Mr. Hawkes the credit for the eight-hour agitation, saying that he "planned well the movement." To my knowledge the eight-hour day has been looked forward to for more years than Mr. Hawkes has been a printer, and it has been the law for Government work since 1868, which was the outcome of the first agitation in that direction. Mr. Hawkes is an able, capable man, but he is dead as a presidential possibility. It seems to be beyond the understanding of some people that the paper which is given to making abusive, unfair statements has no weight and impresses nobody. The literature of labor should not consist of billingsgate, slander or falsehood. If it is intended to be convincing it must be decent.

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It looks as though the Typothetæ is too anxious for the "ruction" to begin to wait until January 1. They seem determined to take us piecemeal, instead of as a whole. Then let the ball open. We are not quite as ready as we would be at the date advertised, but we are pretty tolerably ready. If they will not play fair, they must take the result. Now is as a good a time as any.

A. F. BLOOMER.

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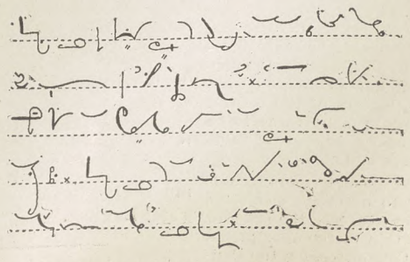
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AMUSEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

THEATERS.

CHASE'S THEATER.

As a whole the bill at Chase's this week was a continuation of the kind of performances which add credit to the house and make it endearing to vaudeville lovers of Washington. Continuous laugh and much applause is participated in by the audience, and every one feels sure that it is one of the best bills that has been produced this season.

Walter C. Kelly, in one of his most humorous sketches, entitled the "Virginia Judge," is especially well received by the audience. His dialect is true and he has a laugh stored up his sleeve for every one.

Among the other features this week are Sid Baxter, slack wire unicycle and bicycle rider; Grace Leonard, the American Vesta Tilley; Mr. and Mrs. Mark Murphy; The McWatters-Tyson Company; The Flying Rathburns, and the adventures of Raffles as shown by the American Vitograph.

COLUMBIA THEATER.

A little treat
From the comic sheet
of Munsey's *Washington Times* is holding the boards at the Columbia Theater for a week's run, and the management guarantees to drive away any spell of the blues or refund the price of admission.

The antics which you see Simon and Mose cut up in the comic section every Sunday, in a good many cases seem impossible, but in the stage lore there is no such word and the impossible becomes a fact.

Neil McNeil as Simple Simon, and Jerry D. Sullivan as Mose, turn up in all sorts of unexpected places and everybody seems to become the victim of their mischievous activity.

The singing is good, the music bright, and the cast as a whole is admirably adapted to the presentation of such work of stage art.

GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

FIRST DIVISION.

Good morning Public Printer Ricketts.

R. L. Townsend is reported slightly better.

M. N. Serrano was a lunch hour caller on Monday.

Stand up, alley 4, are you going to have macaroni tomorrow?

John H. Butler has returned from his trip to the Pacific slope pleased with his visit.

P. R. Harvey, laborer in this Division, sustained a fracture of the left hand a few days ago.

W. M. Nelson, slug 51, reported on Thursday. Like Burnside, he had the time of his life.

On Friday, David T. Lloyd, John T. Haskins, and L. D. Brandon reported at the expiration of their leave.

F. W. F., maker-up, is in charge of "Y," in the absence of W. M. Leavitt. P. S.—We meant Fred W. Follett.

After an outing of twenty days "Honest John's" side partner, Wm. A. H. Turner, returned to work on Monday.

Did you see that picture of Charley Gunn's baby boy in Tuesday's *Post?* What, well, yes artist Berryman is up-to-date.

Our fellow-workman, Geo. A. Tuttle, over in the "repair" gang, reported for work on Monday. Picture of health, well, yes.

Judge E. M. Root was a much pleased man last Saturday morning when his fellow-workman Steele appeared on the spot.

We regret to learn that that dread fall disease, hay fever, is giving our old friend Jake Covert, considerable annoyance.

Voler V. Viles has been detailed temporarily on Tom Duley's press during his absence, V. V. V. is a splendid workman.

Commodore Perry Brown has returned to his Eighth street residence after passing the summer months out at Washington Grove.

Incidentally we have learned that Col. Tom J. Dailey is spending his vacation down at Colonial Beach, and is registered at the Byrd House.

Have you seen the snap-shot of that Filipino that assists Miss Annie at the lunch counter? No. Inquire of any member of "Big 4" alley.

Yes, in the strictest observance of the Saturday half-holiday during the past (3) months, the G. P. O. employees can not register any kicks.

George R. Gray, a former well-known employe, was assigned to slug 1, alley 1, in this Division, on Monday. First temporary assignment on this floor.

"Away down South in Georgia," we have the cheering intelligence that our clever young friend, Wliey H. Davis, is having a grand time in Atlanta.

Diplomats, or foxy, which? Those leave-takers who based their calculations upon returning from their leave on the Saturday half-holiday. Great heads.

While "Parson" E. J. Robinson is enjoying a vacation of thirty days and nights, Joe L. Graves has charge of the paper stock, etc., belonging to this important bureau.

The following compositors have been granted leave beginning Thursday, September 14: O. B. Bellinger, Jake Covert, Frank A. Everts, R. L. Holland and James Kane.

Four times ten are forty. That is the exact number of temporary compositors assigned frames in Captain Ramsey's busy room. It may be for six months. Hope so.

Commodore Danenhower and Judge Underwood, of the "Why," are enjoying their annual vacation. As yet the Judge has not forwarded that promised catch of fish.

Hearty congratulations are extended to "Benny" Reid, all on account of the latest arrival—making the seventh, and B. A. is not an old man by forty years. Hurrah for the First.

Regretfully we have learned of the serious illness of our old friend, Thos. Doonan. His speedy and ultimate recovery is devoutly wished for by his legion of friends.

Ha, ha! ! What do you think, in the absence of Sergeant Waller, of New York City, Simon Pocher, ex-member of the North Carolina Legislature, has charge of the subway. Holy smoke!

Some of our "steady" star boarders at the lunch counter are too fastidious when they insist upon dressing on their apple dumplings. Dollars to doughnuts they are not permitted to indulge in similar excesses at home.

Jacob Lesher's understudy in the "re-set" end of this Division, a few steps west of the other elevator, going towards the White House, having recovered from Chapel Point, reported for work on Monday—we refer to Secretary Lillard.

On Saturday morning C. J. Alexander and P. S. Steele, of New York, and J. S. Burnside, of the D. C., returned after an enjoyable thirty days' vacation. O, those reminiscences of Mr. Burnside's, interesting. No; that don't convey the meaning.

Numerous were the hearty hand shakes accorded ex-Delegate Steele on his return. That individual is invariably highly honored and respected that not only has the courage of his convictions, but can give expression to the same at the crucial moment. Rah for P. S. D.

"No where to come but back." Oh, how glad to get back. The following cheerful bunch of First Division compositors returned from the Spess on Tuesday: Dan L. Samson, J. W. Cross, Cyrus E. Cook, Frank F. S. Miller, S. W. Langford (sick) and Jno. F. Lane.

Harvey Burnside, only son of John S. Burnside of this Division, holds a very responsible position in the Great Northern, of Chicago, the second largest hotel in that city. It must be a source of sincere gratification to his father, and highly pleasing to his army of friends.

Have you ever seen the e. s. h. in the elevator? Well, we have them; just the same class of persons every one condemns in the street car service. However, we presume the world can not dispense without them. From the e. e. s. h. (elevator end seat hog) good Lord deliver us.

Dave Pollock has returned and has been reinstated and assigned cases in the Second Division, in charge of Foreman Shanks. The healthful climate and surroundings of the Printers' Home certainly worked wonders in Dave, judging from his improved appearance. Glad hand.

A line from F. E. Garrison (Snapper) dated Golden, Colorado, September 9, says: "We are very busy as usual and I have had only two days off this summer. How I would like to drop in on you all for a talk. Kind remembrances to Foreman C. E. Young. Everybody that ever enjoyed Snapper's friendship will be pleased to hear from him.

A short time since, Sam. G. Wise, a well-known Washington printer, employed in the Fifth Division, resigned to accept a lucrative position in the Weather Bureau at Philadelphia, Pa. During the past week he has returned, been reinstated and is receiving four dollars per in his former Division. Nothing beats a compositor's situation at the case in the G. P. O.

The happiest visitor in this Division on Saturday morning was the well-known and versatile correspondent of THE TRADES UNIONIST from the Sixth Division, Chas. S. Gunn. The cause of the joy was the advent of a son the previous day. Nothing like being up to date. Father is doing finely. This entire Division extend heartiest congratulations to the parents.

The following members of this Division are veterans of the Civil War, and active in Grand Army circles: H. C. Underwood, Chas. F. Garrette, Wm. McFarlane, Wallace Brewer, Wm. Lawlor, W. Marden King, Samuel Ferrier, Jacob Persinger, C. A. Howle, Jake Covert, M. Barringer, Thomas A. Rhodes, E. D. King, Chas. Danenhower, H. W. Gray, and D. Smith. God bless the survivors.

Louis A. Neuer, of the efficient corps of second-floor messenger guides, was a welcome visitor to our Division on Monday. If L. A. N. has an enemy in this great big building we are in ignorance of that fact. He is the jolliest sort of a jolly good fellow, always the same, bubbling over with good humor. 'Tis a pleasure for such cheerful people to flash across your pathway, for this world is chuck full of pessimists.

"How wonderfully clean and tidy this building is," remarked a lady visitor in our hearing a few days since. Certainly, and it requires and demands as much attention from a trained force of employees as any of our large hotels. Then, too, generally speaking, the employees, owing largely to their surroundings has been educated in the highest standard of nicety and exactness. So, then, why should we not have a pardonable pride in our attractive and healthful interior. Clean, be clean, is an admirable watchword.

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How frequently during the few months we have been furnishing items from this Division has it devolved upon us to note the passing away of our fellow-workmen. On last Thursday noon one of the best-known printers of this city, William A. Hartman, passed away peacefully at his residence, 417 New York avenue, a victim of Bright's disease. The deceased was employed in the Government office as early as 1869.

During General Palmer's first administration he was an assistant foreman in the Job Room. Subsequently he went to Indianapolis and was connected with the Carlton-Hollenbeck Company in getting out a city directory.

Returning to this city he became associated with Mr. Cadick in the Globe Printing Co., and met with unparalleled success.

The later years of his life, and until his final sickness, he was connected with the People's Mission, and proved to be an indefatigable laborer in the Master's vineyard.

The funeral, which took place on Saturday afternoon, was largely attended. There were many floral pieces from the different organizations with which Mr. Hartman had been connected. An immense cross and crown by the Rescue Home Mission was exceptionally fine. The services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. W. M. Ferguson, of Wesley Chapel, who paid an eloquent tribute to the deceased.

A quartette from the People's Mission most beautifully rendered four of Mr. Hartman's favorite selections, for it should be remembered that he conducted the music for a long time at all the services.

The pall bearers were from People's Mission, Wesley Chapel, Columbia Typographical Union, and G. P. O. Council, No. 211, National Union. The deceased had a certificate in the National Union for $5,000. Interment at Glenwood Cemetery.

The deceased was in the fifty-seventh year of his age, and is survived by a widow and a son.

Owing to her enfeebled condition Mrs. Hartman was unable to attend the funeral. Deepest sympathy has been expressed to the widow in her bereavement.

ROUGH WRITER.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll. N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

SIXTH DIVISION.

E. E. Connor, Merg. 21, spent last week at his home in Baltimore, and also at various resorts along the Bay.

Regular stated meeting of the Union next Sunday. A report from the Toronto delegates will probably be made.

Chas. E. Gardner, Merg. 32, spent the greater portion of last week at his home on K street, on account of illness.

Chas. E. Rudy, of the copy desk, "enjoyed" a delightful sail to Colonial Beach last Sunday. Once is enough for him.

I owe my good friend, A. A. Davis, of this Division, an apology for stating last week that the new baby at his house was a girl. Mr. Davis' little girl is a boy.

Louis A. Neuer, of the Messenger office, one of the best guides that ever piloted a drove of visitors through the shop, has returned from his annual vacation.

Johnnie Stowell, of this Division, division commander in private life, and a low private in military life, has returned to us, after having passed a portion of his leave visiting friends in Oshkosh.

From well-informed circles comes the information that when the new *Times* building is completed many of the Munsey publications will be removed to this city and be issued from the big building on the Avenue.

The Lanston Monotype Company has brought suit against the President of the Mergenthaler Company for $125,000 and against the company for $125,000. Merely done to show there is no ill feeling over the recent controversy.

Mrs. Joe M. Johnson, wife of Columbia's ex-president, piloted a party of visitors through the office on Monday. Being an ex-printer herself, Mrs. Johnson not only finds pleasure herself in these visits, but proves an interesting guide to her guests.

B. R. Preuss carried to this Division on Monday a bright green-covered umbrella. During the morning some one secured the rain protector and on it painted the word "Sheehan." Thus was formed a sort of an alliance between the Dutch and Irish.

Joseph A. Dreis, of this Division, is the promoter of a new investment company for printers only. When Joe gets the thing figured out so that one hundred men can put into the thing one hundred dollars and draw out one thousand each he proposes to call for volunteers.

When charges were made against the honesty of the President of the Letter Carriers Association in convention last week that gentleman refused to allow his name to be used for re-election. In typo graphical affairs its all off with the fellow who makes the charges.

I sincerely hope the esteemed Bloomer will not be too hasty in forming a decision to remove me from THE TRADES UNIONIST reservation, because of the strong probability of his being compelled to change his mind, my great fear being that his mind is not strong enough to stand a change.

While in Virginia Beach recently, Charles O'Connell, of this Division, was visited by a former employe of this Division, Harry Young, now publishing a newspaper at Elizabeth City, N. C. Everything is moving along nicely in a business way, he reports, but of course the lights are not as brightly shining down there as in Washington.

During the past two weeks the Georgetown Hospital has been giving moonlight rides about Georgetown on the sightseeing car "999," for the benefit of that institution. Two Sixth Division boys, Jack Desmond and Joe Sheehan did the lecture act, and those who heard them say they have old Georgetown and its interesting places down to a fine point. Both of these gentlemen left this week via ocean route for Boston.

Word has recently been received from John Breen, ex-Sixth Division Merg. operator, to the effect that he is holding down a machine on the New Orleans *States*, and doing well. He says the yellow fever epidemic is not as great as reported, and the death rate not as much so as the death rate in Washington from typhoid fever. The business of New Orleans, however, is practically knocked out for the time being.

I hope my unknown friend, "Rough Writer," will not insist upon having some sort of shelter built for the accommodation of the early arrivals at this office, at least until this Division has secured a pipe system for carrying away the gas fumes arising from the metal pots. While I heartily sympathize with the movement and hope some day to see the court of the building turned into a roofed palm garden, with little yellow birds in cages, and others from the folding and press rooms not in cages, where the aroma from 25-cent cigars will kill the scent of liver and bacon from Jackson's alley, at the same time at this stage of the game I am not prepared to surrender my claim for gas pipes first without a struggle.

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Referring to Pard Bloomer's threat to remove me from the corps of TRADES UNIONIST correspondents, brought out the hope from my friend, William Brockwell, that such would not be the case. At the same time it gave Mr. Brockwell an opportunity to tell a story.

"I think these correspondents," said Bill, "are an indespensible element. I always enjoy reading every paragraph.

"There used to be a fellow," he continued, "who kept the world posted on happenings at the Treasury Branch. Every week it was 'So-and-So is on the bonds this week,' and 'Blankety Blank is behind the press.'"

"Well," he continued, "I read the thing so much that along about Wednesday I would commence to wonder who was on the bonds, etc.

"One day I got the sheet and the first thing I looked for was to see who was holding down the trusty sits. Sure enough, So-and-So was on the bonds, but do you know, there wasn't a d——d man behind the press.

"It worried me," said Brocky, "and do you know when we got through work that evening I hustled down to the Treasury Branch to find out why some man wasn't behind that press."

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When John F. Connolly, of the Proof Room, landed at the Hilltop House in Harpers Ferry last month, where he had engaged quarters, intending to pass his vacation days in a quiet manner, he was a very much surprised man.

"We have been expecting you for several days," said the clerk. "You will find two or three bushel baskets of mail in the room we have assigned you. When you are ready for more just send down the basket."

When Mr. Connolly reached his room he found circulars and pamphlets of every size and description known to mankind. Prior to his departure his friends in the Proof Room had sent out about one hundred postal cards to different firms requesting their circulars, etc., be sent to "Jack Connolly, Hilltop House, Harpers Ferry, W. Va." And that's why the postmaster who first heralded him as the Moses sent to help out the Harpers Ferry postoffice was glad when Mr. Connolly took his departure.

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Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13, of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101. Mrs. A. C. Webb, president, 314 Tenth street northeast; Mrs. E. H. Thomas, secretary, The Bertholdt, 128 Maryland avenue southwest. Meets at Typographical Temple first Monday in each month.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

To SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 333 I street s w.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

Bricklayers, No. 1, meets second and fourth Thursdays in each month at Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. Milford Spohn, Secretary, 1238 Eighth street northwest

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—John G Wolfe, Chairman, 1023 New Jersey avenue northwest; John T. Kenealy, Secretary, 1230 Four-and-a half street southwest; T. Costello, 37 K street northwest; Jos. Hutton, 809 F street southwest; James Murtaugh, 3160 P street northwest.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5, meets every Friday night at 7.30, in Hall 1, Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. George W. Nyman, Secretary, 1253 Eighth street northwest.

Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

Electrotype Molders and Finishers, No. 17, I. S. and E. U. Meets Wonn's Hall, 721 Sixth street northwest, the first Thursday of each month. H. C. Poppe, Secretary-Treasurer.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, Amalgamated, No. 148, meets second and fourth Wednesdays at 922 Pennsylvania avenue n. w. Martin Hellmuth, Secretary, 609 D street southwest.

Plate Printers Union, No. 2, meets on second Sunday in each month at 2.30 p. m., at Typographical Temple, 425 G street northwest. J. Edward Beach, President; J. C. Staats, Secretary, Kensington, Md.

Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Union, No. 11773, meets second Tuesday in each month at 7.30 p. m., Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. Frank F. Hartwell, Secretary, 810 Twentieth street northwest

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, First Branch, meets every alternate Monday evening at 610 G street northwest, Building Trades Hall. President, R. R. Rhodes. Financial and Recording Secretary, Fred Hook, 1034 Sixth street northeast. Business Agent, W. F. Gilmore, 624 Sixth street northwest.

Tile Setters Helpers, Local No. 12, meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month in Room No. 3, Building Trades Halls, 624 Sixth street northwest. J. Pettis, Recording Secretary, 3409 N street northwest.

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DOWN TOWN NOTES.

Items of Interest About Printers on the Wing and Elsewhere.

F. D. Seiffert, foreman for J. F. Sheiry is on vacation.

Billy Hagan and Frank Stewart are at work in Judd & Detweiler's.

Dr. W. E. Aughinbaugh, brother of John, of the *Post*, is in Bombay, India.

Two sons of Johnny McCormick, of the *Post*, are running the print shop at Hyattsville.

Peter Haines, who used to work at the business, is driving a bottling wagon for Otto.

Clarence Bright has resigned from the G. P. O. and accepted the foremanship of Pearson's office.

A. M. Forrester, who had a machine on *The Army and Navy Register*, has resigned and gone to New York.

J. F. Morrow has returned to his native health after an itinerary in York and other Pennsylvania towns.

J. M. Deponai, one of the night editors of the Baltimore *American*, paid this city a flying visit last week.

D. C. Boggess, after a tour of Pennsylvania and New York, is "looking 'em over" in Washington for a while.

Billy McGuire, after his return from an initial visit to the Smoky City, has gone to the city of Brotherly Love.

Six of the twenty of the last call for the G. P. O. are working at Judd's and will leave this Friday for the Swamp.

Robert Milans, manager for his father, J. D. Milans has just returned from his vacation at Atlantic City and Philadelphia.

Billy Woods, who operated for a brief while on the *Times*, has drawn his card and shook the dust of Washington from his shoes.

Charley Axe, who has been working in Judd's for some moons past, has thrown up and thinks he will "give the road a belt."

Con. B. Ratcliffe, who has been working at the Prudential office in Newark, has thrown up his job as a result of bad health, and is in town.

Tommy Stephens, who had been subbing on the *Times* since last May, has quitted the classic shades of the Capital City and departed for other shores.

George Bailey, who has been in New York for a number of years, was in town very recently renewing old acquaintanceships. George is stouter than ever.

Wm. Brown, of the *Times*, took a flying visit to York, Pa., very recently, and denies that he was whistling, as he boarded the train, "The Girl I Left Behind Me."

Saunders, not he of the letter carrier force, has returned to Washington from Roanoke, and will show up for work in the various book and job shops in town.

W. F. Talbott, who formerly was employed in the G. P. O. as a temporary employe, but who now resides in Baltimore, has made application for readmission to the Union Printers' Home.

Fred Fink (the ice man), after spending a few days in our midst, departed for the Metropolis, where he hopes to catch on the registration list, which is set this year in New York by hand.

Warner Denham has returned from Saranac Lake, N. Y., whither he went in search of health and recreation, and has come back to his old stand, the *Post*, greatly improved, much to the satisfaction of his legion of friends.

McIntosh, who had his ribs and back badly squeezed on the stirrup of a side-door Pullman while en route to this city recently, while in bad shape, is rounding to slowly, and hopes to soon show up on the *Times* for work on the Mergs.

R. H. (Dick) Lyles, who has been working at Judd & Detweiler's for a number of months, had the misfortune to smash his salary finger while on his short vacation, and James A. McCarthy is representing him on the S. P. records in the meantime.

WEE WILLIE.

Put a Roof on the Wrong Church.

A story comes from Louisville, Ky., of a contractor who received a contract for a new roof on a church in that city, and who in his haste to get the work done roofed the wrong structure. This has been equaled in New York by a German builder who erected an apartment house on the wrong lot. It was in the suburbs and of a semi-detached character, so the thrifty Teuton thought he would save the surveyor's fee as his house kept well away from the lot line and there was no danger of encroaching upon his neighbor. When he got his roof on he applied to a well-known financial institution for a loan. The bank promptly sent a surveyor, who surprised the old builder by telling him that he had built on the wrong side of the street. Fortunately the owner of the lot was a reasonable individual, so he swapped with the builder, who paid several hundred dollars bonus for the privilege. Hereafter he will employ a surveyor.—*Construction News.*

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That Slick Mr. Hudson.

Readers of THE TRADES UNIONIST will recall the published account of the exploits of one Hudson, who established headquarters at Lancaster, N. Y., about a year ago, and by advertisement in a local paper here succeeded in placing orders for choice apples, at the rate of $1.50 per barrel, delivered, cash to accompany the order. The offer found ready takers in the Specification Division. Mr. John R. Sturgis attended to the correspondence and forwarded the funds by money order to Mr. Hudson, who failed in every particular to carry out his part of the contract. Correspondence with the postmaster at Lancaster revealed the fact that Mr. Hudson had drawn the money, but had left town and his whereabouts were unknown. It was then that the apple deal was discovered to be a genuine fake. Mr. Sturgis informed the postoffice authorities, and they immediately took the matter in hand. Within the past week this man Hudson (who has several aliases) was arrested for engaging in a confidence game with a farmer constituency. Mr. Sturgis has been subpoenaed by the postal authorities to tell what he knows of the apple transaction. The case will open at Buffalo on Friday of this week, and it is likely that what's his-name will soon be made to feel the rigors of the law.

What fools these printer mortals be
To pay for apples they can't see.
Great men who rank as money kings
Don't do those foolish sort o' things.

CYCLE.

Tribe of Ben-Hur.

A. L. Randall has just been appointed Deputy Supreme Chief of the Tribe of Ben-Hur, for the District of Columbia. This organization is a beneficial fraternal order, with its matchless plan for both men and women. The order was founded upon the book Ben-Hur, a tale of the Christ, and the central figure is the Nazarene, who stands to-day the most gigantic character the world has ever seen.

The Tribe of Ben-Hur in a single decade has done wonderful work. Begun eleven years ago with a little handful of men and women at the home city of the author of the book, Ben Hur, the late Gen. Lew Wallace, it has grown to a membership exceeding 90,000 on July 1, with a reserve fund of over $700,000. Such a work finds no parallel in the history of fraternal work.

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Mr. Randall has taken a very active interest in this order long before there was a Court in the District of Columbia. Shortly after the institution of a Court several years ago he served several terms as its Chief and its Past Chief. At the last sessison of its Supreme Tribe held about a year ago at Crawfordsville, Ind., he was elected as Supreme Representative for Maryland and the District of Columbia. Mr. Randall will now enter upon an aggressive campaign and expects to soon institute new Courts in different parts of the District.

Joseph Jefferson said that during his long stage career he was never associated with any one showing undue familiarity except one individual named Bagley, his property man for several seasons. The man was valuable in his way, and so Mr. Jefferson tolerated his disagreeable manners until one night in Baltimore. The property man got very drunk in the afternoon, and in the evening paid his way into a gallery seat. Mr. Jefferson was playing "Rip Van Winkle." The angry Gretchen had just driven poor, destitute Rip from the cottage, when Rip turned, and, with a world of pathos, asked: "Den I haf no interest in der house?" The theater was deathly still, the audience half in tears, when Bagley's cracked voice was heard in response: "Only eighty per cent, Joe, old boy; only eighty per cent." He lost his job on the spot.—*Ex.*

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Aside from the sport enjoyed in a clean and healthy manner the organization will have a tendency to bring together the employes of the big office in a social way and create friendships that are lasting in many cases.

The committee on prizes have been very successful in securing valuable trophies for the League, and the interest manifested at the start will be intensified as the season progresses.

The press committee have in course of publication a schedule of games to be played and rules and other interesting data concerning the games, which will be ready in a few days for distribution.

The officers for the year 1905-1906 are as follows: P. A. Walsh, president; L. B. Clark, vice-president; J. L. Dwyer, secretary-treasurer; H. L. Murray, official scorer. Board of Governors: H. J. Carey, J. A. Lednum, J. J. Conroy, Chas. G. Benker, John Atkins, C. W. Radley, L. B. Clark and J. S. Garner.

Butchers License Bill.

The Central Labor Union of this city recently took action relative to the proposed bill compelling the licensing of butcher workmen. Referring to this action the *Official Journal* of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, in its current number says:

After we had succeeded in defeating the bill creating a law compelling the licensing of butcher workmen in the State of New York and believing that an attempt would be made in all of the other States to enact the same legislation, we wrote all of our affiliated Local Unions throughout the country calling their attention to the matter and advising that measures be taken at once to prevent the same legislation being enacted in the different States, and among the many secretaries who took the matter up in response to our request was Secretary Martin Hellmuth, of Local Union No. 148, of Washington, D. C., who is always on the firing line in efforts for improved conditions. Local No. 148 at once took action condemning such legislation and also referring the matter to the Central Labor Union of Washington for their consideration, and the action taken by that body stamps them as a live progressive organization, fully aware of the dangers that confront the trades unionists at the present time from vicious legislation, and we believe that we voice the sentiment of our entire membership when we express our deep appreciation for the action taken by Secretary Hellmuth, Local Union No. 148, and the Central Labor Union of Washington, D. C.

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

Glen Echo Contract Let to an Unfair Contractor and Builder.

LABOR DAY COMMITTEE REPORT

List of Firms Selling Union-Made Collars—Hod Carriers Effect Settlement on the Department of Agriculture Building—Grocery Clerks Grateful.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.10 p. m. on Monday evening, President McCarthy in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Roll call disclosed all officers present except Secretary Winslow, who was out of the city.

In the absence of Secretary Winslow, Delegate Dickman acted as secretary.

CREDENTIALS.

Grocery Clerks Union, No. 533: Messrs. Joachim and Smith, vice McGiven and Egan.

Delegate-elect Sloane, of Amalgamated Carpenters, Third Branch, and H. T. Smith, of Grocery Clerks, were obligated.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Amalgamated Carpenters, First Branch, calling attention to big contract for carpenter work at Glen Echo, and that the builder (L. D. Shaw) refuses to consider employment of union carpenters on the job. On motion, the Contract Committee were instructed to call on Mr. Shaw in reference to the matter.

From American Federation of Labor, appealing for aid to assist Laundry Workers Union of Troy, N. Y. On motion voluntary contributions were ordered.

From American Federation of Labor, inclosing bill for per capita tax. Referred to Financial Secretary.

From Union Collar Co., of Cadillac, Mich., requesting organized labor to patronize dealers handling union made collars and cuffs. Placed on file.

From Local Union No. 62, Brotherhood of Bookbinkers, requesting all unions when ordering badges to request that the allied printing trades label be stamped on the face of the badge to insure that the work will be done by members of the Bookbinders Union. Placed on file.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Hod Carriers: Reported satisfactory settlement of trouble on Stannard job on Department of Agriculture building. Committee was discharged with thanks.

Grocery Clerks. Extended thanks of their organization to Central Labor Union and affiliated unions in aiding organizer to acquire new stores on list.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Special committee on Hamerstrom portrait made final report. The report was received and committee discharged.

Labor Day Committee asked for an appropriation of $5 for typewriting.

The Labor Day Committee presented a complete financial statement and the statement was referred to the Auditing Committee. The report shows receipts $1,652,95, and expenditures $586,88. The committees report was received and the committee discharged with thanks.

Carpet Mechanics requested that the secretary notify all Locals with reference to the two names now published as unfair. Request granted.

The Label Committee reported that the Sudwarth Printing Co. had established the eight-hour day for all persons employed by that firm.

The committee urged all members to demand the label when making purchases.

The committee reported the following firms as having put union label goods in stock:

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The Contract Committee recommended that the secretary send a copy of the Central Labor Union contract to Samuel Maddox.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Wm. E. Whitmore, a former employee of the Yard, who is now engaged in the jewelry business in this city, is seriously ill with typhoid fever. Billie was always a true unionist when engaged in the machine trade and his many friends hope for his early recovery.

I regret to announce the death of Bro. Fred. Emig, of Columbia Lodge of Machinists, which occurred at his residence, 208 Sixth street southeast, Saturday evening. A delegation of his brother craftsmen accompanied his remains to Baltimore for interment. Bro. Emig worked in West Gun Carriage Shop and was much respected.

Young Morgan, who was so suddenly sent into eternity by a pistol shot in the hands of Souder, a few days ago, was for several years an employee of the Yard, working in the Gun Shop. He was well liked and pitied by every one who knew him, on account of his physical condition. In addition to paralysis he suffered with brain trouble which necessitated his confinement in St. Elizabeth's for a season. Why a man in sound mind and physical health should select one who was such a physical and mental wreck to wreak an imaginary grievance is one of the unanswerable questions, and yet as in this case it is so often true.

Columbia Lodge, at its last regular meeting made preparations to have several of the most prominent labor leaders, as well as the political factors of both parties, to address the lodge throughout the winter season, on economic and other questions. The first will be Hon. Terrence V. Powderly, who will deliver his well known lecture on the Nobility of the Craft. Mr. Powderly is a machinist of the old school and delights to tell of his experience as a craftsman before the introduction of modern machinery. I am sure his visit and lecture will be appreciated, as he is one of the most eloquent speakers that ever graced a labor platform.

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I can now state officially that Captain Eugene Leutze will succeed Captain E. C. Pendleton as Commandant of the Yard, and Superintendent of the Naval Gun Factory on October 15. In all probability Capt. Pendleton will go to sea in command of one of the new cruisers for a year, when he will be retired. Both of these men are well liked by some, and not so by others—but that is but natural, as no superintendent living could please a congregation of men numbering nearly five thousand. Captain Pendleton has his many good qualities, and like the rest of mankind he has his faults. I have mine, and who has none? I pause for an answer.

One thing I can say honestly and truthfully, that no employee, no matter how lowly his position, ever failed to secure an audience with Captain Pendleton if such an audience was requested, and if he had a real grievance it was promptly adjusted. But woe to the man who went to him with a lie on his lips—if discovered in his falsehood. Captain Leutze is an entirely different character. While Captain Pendleton is suave Leutze is blunt. Personally I admire both men in many respects, although constructed in different moulds. One of the principal features of the new captain is his utter disregard for position. A foreman and a workman are both alike to him. It is man and not the position he respects. This is equity. This is what I honestly call a square deal. The one peculiar feature of his make up and the one I most admire is his determination in striking from the rolls men who spend their time and money, and waste the lives that God gave them for a good purpose in that curse of all curses—drink. For the faithful, industrious, temperate employee Leutze will be his friend, but for the drunkard there is no hope under his administration. A word to the wise should be sufficient.

TIM TICKLE.

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COLUMBIA UNION MEETING

Report of the Delegates to Toronto Convention Well Received.

"SUN-DOWN PRINTER" QUESTION

Several Apprentices Elected—Readers of Philadelphia Inquirer to be Fined $5—Resolutions on Death of Peter Harr—Printers for Lanston Casters.

The regular monthly meeting of Columbia Typographical Union was called to order at 2.30 p. m., on Sunday, President Berg in chair.

Traveling cards received since last meeting were read and accepted.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.

The Membership Committee, having reported favorably on the applications of R. N. Babcock and Charles F. Dornoff for apprentice membership they were duly elected.

On the request of C. D. Deming, an apprentice, for six months further time, the request was granted.

On request of Harry Kendrick, an apprentice to be transferred to full membership, the request was granted.

On application of Ralph Burnett, as linotype machinist, a favorable report being made, he was duly elected.

On application of W. T. Talbott for admission to the Union Printers' Home, the committee recommended favorable consideration, and the committee report was concurred in.

On application of George R. Gray, for transfer from passive to active roll, the request was complied with.

On application of J. B. Sappington, an apprentice member, for further extension of six months, the request was granted.

Bills for printing amounting to $30 were read and ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From the I. T. U., calling attention to the propositions to be submitted to the referendum. The secretary was directed to order a sufficient number of ballots for the Union.

From the Central Labor Union, notifying Columbia Union of the adoption of resolutions requesting the Keith Shoe Co., of Brockton, Mass., to have the label put on printing done by that firm. Filed.

From the Union Collar Co., asking that collars bearing the union label be demanded from dealers. Filed.

From Superintendent Deacon, of the Union Printers' Home, and E. F. G. Hazle, explaining the reason why the latter left the Home after a short stay. Placed on file.

From Philadelphia Typographical Union, thanking No. 101 for financial assistance. Filed.

Chairman Dickman, from the Central Labor Union, reported that the Labor Day celebration had been a great success.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Business Committee presented a report on the appeal of Chairman McCardell, of the Second Division, G. P. O., regarding measurement of certain matter submitted, and decided that the matter was double price.

The Laws Committee reported unfavorably on first amendment submitted by T. Frank Hall, and favorably on two other amendments from same member. The Union concurred in report of the committee.

The president stated that a resolution presented at the August meeting had been adopted, but should have been referred to the Laws Committee.

Without objection the adoption of the resolution was expunged from the minutes.

The Laws Committee then offered the following:

SEC. 13. Members of this Union holding regular situations as journeyman printers, shall not be allowed to do mechanical work or proofreading in another office after the expiration of a day's work.

The amendment was adopted to become effective January 1, 1906.

The Finance Committee having reported an appropriation of $10 on the appeal of Flour and Cereal Mill Employes in fight against Washburn-Crosby Co., the report was adopted.

The Grievance Committee having investigated the charge that members of Columbia Union employed in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing are readers of the Philadelphia *Inquirer*, the committee recommend that a special committee be appointed to visit newsdealers and request that they cease handling that paper and that a fine of $5 be imposed on any member who subscribes to or handles the *Inquirer*.

The committee also indorsed the request of Railroad Telegraphers in declaring the M. K. and T. R. R. as unfair.

The recommendation of the committee relative to the Philadelphia *Inquirer* was referred to the Laws Committee and the second recommendation was concurred in.

The Eight-Hour Committee reported progress.

Mr. Garrett was given unanimous consent and made a statement relative to the position of the Sudwarth Printing Co., and stated that employes of that firm would be placed on an eight-hour basis immediately.

The delegates to the recent convention of the I. T. U. made a voluminous report signed by all delegates representing this Union.

Mr. Steele requested that his name be stricken from the report, and asked that an extract from the fourth day's proceedings of the convention be presented as his minority report.

Mr. Kidd moved that the report be received and a rising vote of thanks be tendered the delegation. Carried.

Mr. Hussey introduced the following resolutions, which were adopted, and ordered given to the press:

Whereas Almighty God has removed our late fellow-craftsman, Peter Harr, from his earthly toils;

Resolved, That in the death of Peter Harr the world has lost a valued member of society:

Resolved, That as an employing printer Columbia Union and each member individually has suffered the loss of a stanch friend;

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a copy transmitted to the family of the deceased.

Mr. Simpson introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

Whereas the installation of seventy-two more Lanston machines in the Government Printing Office will result in a reduction of the force, and has deprived a large number of our members of employment; therefore

Resolved, That the officers of this Union be instructed to wait upon the Public Printer and request him to give members of this Union the preference in future for the positions of caster for said Lanston machines.

Mr. Heisler gave notice of the following amendment:

Amend Art. VIII, sec. 8, By-Laws: Strike out "five" after words "session and" and insert "three." Ordered printed on call.

Adjourned.

Personal Mention.

James J. Cooney, of Philadelphia, well-known as a former G. P. O. employee, where he was a compositor for several years, was in the city last week. As one of the counsel for Shelby Smith, Mr. Cooney stated that the Smith case would be a closed incident in the next ten days, an arrangement satisfactory to all parties having been consummated.

John L. Kennedy, ex-president of No. 101 and ex-delegate to I. T. U. from Columbia Union, returned from an extended Western trip last week. While in Colorado Mr. Kennedy visited the Home and meet the Washington residents there. He speaks highly of the Home and its surroundings. Mr. Kennedy also spent some time in the Bull Frog mining district and sent a letter to the *Post* that was well received as a contribution to the new gold field.

Royal Pilsen Beer on Draught at R. A. Driscoll's North Capitol and G street. Overholt whisky, 10c.

Lon. A. Shimp an Editor.

Lon. A. Shimp, who left here some years ago for Chicago, and subsequently went to Yellowstone Park as the official printer on that reservation, is now a full-fledged editor, being connected with George W. Fritz in the publication of the *Georgetown-South Seattle News*.

Georgetown is just outside the city limits of Seattle, and has a great future as a manufacturing center.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

THE EIGHT-HOUR FIGHT.

Printers Uniformly Successful in Securing Agreements.

The fight for enforcement of the eight-hour day in the printing offices, beginning January 1, 1906, goes merrily on. Up to date the printers seem to have secured the best advantage, but several large establishments are still in the balance.

We append Circular No. 19, issued from headquarters at Indianapolis:

CIRCULAR NO. 19 OF THE I. T. U. EIGHT-HOUR COMMITTEE.

INDIANAPOLIS, *September 15, 1905.*

To the Officers of Subordinate Unions:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—The convention of the United Typothetæ of America, held in Niagara Falls last week, had before it a proposition from the International Typographical Union, providing for a reasonable adjustment of the eight-hour contention. The convention rejected the proposition and said that the United Typothetæ would not consider any suggestion eventually leading to the eight-hour day. The Executive Council, immediately after the action of the United Typothetæ of America, decided that the present was the opportune time to make demand for the eight-hour day, and accordingly where conditions were favorable, all unions were by wire instructed, where contracts did not prevent, to immediately present the eight-hour demand, and in each instance where refusal was met with, that our members should cease work.

The instructions were at once complied with.

As this circular went to press, the following conditions prevailed:

These unions have secured eight-hour agreements since September 8, when the first notices were sent out from headquarters:

Elmira, N. Y.; Lafayette, Ind.; Lockport, N. Y.; Ottumwa, Iowa; Springfield, Ill.; Ottawa, Ill.; Frankfort, Ky.; Cleburne, Texas; Olean N. Y.; Jacksonville, Ill.; Traverse City, Mich.; Coshocton, Ohio; Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Pontiac, Ill.; Marshalltown, Iowa; Canon City, Colo.; Tiffin-Fostoria, Ohio; Clinton, Ill.; Oelwein, Iowa; Dunkirk, N. Y.; Coffeyville, Kan.; Houghton; Mich.; Berlin, N. H.; Titusville, Pa.; Herrin, Ill.; Pittston, Pa.; Oil City, Pa.; Amsterdam, N. Y.; North Adams, Mass.; Rahway, N. J.; Lawrence, Mass.; Kingston, N. Y.; Morristown, N. J.; Guelph, Ont.; Columbus, Ind.; Bellaire, Ohio; Jamestown, N. Y.; Crawfordsville, Ind.; Ansonia, Conn.; Sandusky, Ohio; New York Bohemian.

Men are now on strike in the following cities:

Albany, N. Y.; Peoria, Ill.; Grand Rapids, Mich.; Syracuse, N. Y.; Toledo, Ohio; Richmond, Va.; Jersey City, N. J.; Newark, N. J.; Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Saratoga Springs, N. Y.; Ann Arbor, Mich.; Sioux Falls, S. D.; Aurora, Ill.; Watertown, N. Y.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Chicago, Ill.; Detroit, Mich.; Lynchburg, Va.; Boone, Iowa; Springfield, Ohio; Lowell, Mass.; Topeka, Kan.; New Haven, Conn.; Elkhart, Ind.; Greensboro, N. C.; St. Louis, Mo.; Norwich, Conn.; Wilkesbarre, Pa.; Dallas, Texas; St. Joseph, Mo.; Hartford, Conn.; Rochester, N. Y.; Schenectady, N. Y.; Winnipeg, Man.; Bloomington, Ill.; Cincinnati, Ohio.

All of these unions have secured agreements with a number of offices.

CHICAGO.

Situation excellent. Non-union men number about one hundred. Men enthusiastic. Union meeting last night ordered all men out where eight-hour contracts are not signed at once. Unanimous vote. Have secured thirty contracts this morning. More coming.

Later.—One hundred and ten siguatures. Typothetæ ranks broken. Eight-hour day assured fact.

EDWIN R. WRIGHT.

President Wright also says: "The eight-hour day is an assured fact, as the signed contract relations cover at least 1,200 members of our organization. Verbal contracts cover at least 100 additional to this. Chicago Union now has 3,451 members, of which 700 are on nespapers; 1,200 in eight-hour book and job offices; 533 on strike; 672 in book and job offices which have not as yet signed for eight hours, and 195 unemployed. It is estimated that at least 600 more members will be working under contract relations in a short time, which will leave a total of 600 on the strike roll."

ALBANY.

Lyon-Argus Co., employing 155 of the 300 men on strike, has signed eight-hour agreement.

Later.—All offices signed agreement.

HOUSTON.

Eight-hour agreement, effective January 1, 1906, signed by nine most important offices; six other offices will undoubtedly sign upon presentation.

DETROIT.

Organizer William S. Haight, under date of September 13, writes from Detroit, as follows:

The situation in Detroit at this writing, after careful consideration, appears to be more favorable to No. 18 than at any time since the inception of the lockout, now in its fifth week. Detroit has been the storm center. The Typothetæ has been scouring the country for men to take the places of the men locked out, and they have at this time not more than fifty men all told. Out of this fifty, less than one-half are job printers. The large majority are boys and men who have been brought here from the towns around the country, tempted by the rosy promises made to them by the man-hunting agents of the Typothetæ. On arrival here, they are finding to their bitter disappointment that the offers made by the Typothetæ agents were made only to be broken. This is having its effect on the men now at work. They are beginning to approach our pickets, requesting an interview with the officers of No. 18. The stories told are all alike. Abuse and ill-treatment from the Typothetæ officials. This is driving the men out of Detroit. They are beginning to realize what is in store for them when the trouble here is ended. We are getting men out of offices that we haven't been able to touch heretofore. Men who absolutely refused to allow our pickets to talk to them. These men are in a position to know the condition of things in the Typothetæ offices, and they are a unit in their belief that the end is near at hand. We succeeded in having city printing contract awarded to union office at last night's council meeting.

After a careful review of the situation the members of the International Eight-hour Committee are convinced that all that is needed to insure complete success is firmness and unity of action, and our members are showing these qualities in every instance.

Our members should realize that the battle now on is of a decisive character. Defeat at this time means the abandonment for many years of the shorter workday. Success now means the general inauguration of the eight-hour day on January 1, 1906.

Stand by your union and victory is absolutely certain.

JAMES M. LYNCH, *Chairman.*
J. W. BRAMWOOD, *Secretary.*

Albany Winning Out.

August Donath has received the following from a friend in Albany, N. Y.:

ALBANY, N. Y., *Sept. 15, 1905.*

MY DEAR DONATH:—Eight-hour strike is about settled in this city. We expect to have all of our members back to work on eight-hour basis before Tuesday next. All of the newspaper offices (8) have signed agreement and we have but two of the large offices to fight. Not one man out of our membership of 450 failed to respond to the walk-out order.

P. J. HUBERT.

Executive Council Session.

The Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor is in session this week at headquarters:

With each recurring meeting the work of the Executive Council has grown to greater proportions, due to the action of the various conventions in referring questions of importance involving trade rights between affiliated trades.

It is an evidence of the confidence reposed in the Executive Council when such matters are referred to it, but every member of the Council is more or less occupied with the conduct of his own work as an International officer and the burden is by no means a light one. For this reason it would appear that the regular conventions should endeavor to arrive at a solution of the many questions presented there for consideration and not place the work entire upon the Executive Council.

President Lynch, of the International Typographical Union, having reported the progress made by that organization in the effort to secure the eight-hour day, the Council sent President Lynch the following dispatch:

WASHINGTON, D. C., *Sept. 18, 1905.*

Mr. JAMES M. LYNCH, Indianapolis, Ind.

Executive Council American Federation of Labor, in session, sends fraternal greeting and hearty congratulations to the Executive Council of the International Typographical Union upon successes already achieved in the enforcement of the eight-hour workday, and earnestly hopes for complete victory in the entire trade.

SAMUEL GOMPERS, *President.*

The *Post*, of this city, after giving a lengthy article on the meeting of the meeting of the Council, said: "The Council is composed of an unusually fine-looking body of men, well qualified in more ways than one to represent the interests of labor."

An Eight-Hour Office.

Charles F. Sudwarth, manager of the Sudwarth Printing Co., has issued an order giving the eight-hour day to all his employes. This includes the press room and folding room of that establishment, where no effort as yet has been made by their respective unions to ask for the shorter workday in the near future.

Mr. Sudwarth is a consistent union man, without pretense, and is well known as a fair employer. His action in giving the eight-hour day without being asked by the committee of No. 101 to sign an agreement to do so next January is a step farther than any other employer has taken in the matter. In this connection the Sudwarth Chapel adopted the following resolutions:

Whereas it being a well-known fact that printers all over the country are demanding an eight-hour day; and

Whereas the members of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, have not as yet been called upon to inaugurate the eight-hour day in its jurisdiction; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the Sudwarth Chapel, under the jurisdiction of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, extend to Mr. Charles F. Sudwarth our hearty thanks for the unsolicited concession of the eight-hour day, in effect on and after the 18th day of September, 1905, to the men employed in his office; and be it further

Resolved, That we present a copy of these resolutions to Mr. Sudwarth, and that a copy be forwarded to THE TRADES UNIONIST and the *Typographical Journal*, for publication.

C. C. CURTIS,
A. J. SYMONDS,
J. A. WOULFE,
Committee.

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I would as soon think of doing business without clerks as without advertising.
—JOHN WANAMAKER.

Nothing, except the mint, can make money without advertising.
—GLADSTONE.

When you pay more for the rent of your business house than for advertising your business, you are pursuing a false policy. If you can do business, let it be known.
—FRANKLIN.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1905.

NOTICE.

This office will close at 1 o'clock p. m. on Saturdays and 5 o'clock p. m. other days during the week.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

A "field of endeavor" in this city which has yet not been worked to any great extent is that occupied by the hotel and restaurant employees, according to my information, for as yet there are few of the waiters and waitresses in this city in the Waiters Union. This is a business that is rapidly growing in this city, for every day a larger number of people take their meals at restaurants and fewer at boarding houses, many families even finding it more convenient, especially in summer, to take their meals at the constantly increasing number of eating houses that are to be found in all parts of the city. In fact, many see in restaurant life the solution of the vexed servant-girl question, bringing our people to the condition that very largely obtains in Europe, and especially in France.

The Hotel and Restaurant Employees' International Alliance and Bartenders' League of America is affiliated with the American Federation of Labor. Its general president is T. J. Sullivan and its general secretary-treasurer is Jere L. Sullivan, with headquarters in the Commercial Tribune Building, Cincinnati. It has been organized fifteen years, and its organ, the *Mixer and Server*, is often quoted by the other labor papers. There is already a Bartenders' League in this city, in a flourishing condition, the secretary of which is president of the Central Labor Union—Mr. Jere F. McCarthy.

The tendency of the times is toward the organization of all those engaged in the same or kindred occupations, and not less so among those in the professions than among those employed at manual labor. There is a Bar Association for the lawyers, the Medical Association for the doctors, the Dental Association for the dentists, the Ministerial Association for the clergymen, the American Library Association for the librarians, and so on through the list. Of course these scorn to class themselves with trades unions, but they are organized to enable their members to "get the best of it," and their principal mode of procedure is to get legislation passed in their interest; and so well do they succeed by this means that there is as much show for a clog dancer in heaven as success in any of these professions by one who does not belong to its associations.

It was long years after the inauguration of the trades union movement in this country before any attempt was made to organize those in the less skilled and perhaps more menial occupations. But such is the perfection to which education and knowledge in all employments have been brought that it is not so easy to say what is and what is not an unskilled occupation. No one would say that no particular skill or knowledge is necessary in a waiter in this day, though perhaps a shorter apprenticeship than in the actual trades will bring that skill. One need be but once the victim of the novice to discover that not all of waiting on table consists of the ability to carry a trayful of dishes, and yet there is a knack even in this that needs schooling to achieve.

I have had the pleasure of suggesting the organization of at least three occupations in this city which were shortly afterwards organized, however little my suggestions may have had to do with it. Nearly twenty years ago, in the *Craftsman*, I advocated the procurement of a law of Congress requiring stationary engineers to be licensed, so as to make a union among them possible, and it was done, and the stationary engineers have a sturdy union. On many occasions I suggested that the pharmacists, being required by law to be registered and licensed, were in an ideal condition to form a trade union, though I would by no means apply such a vulgar term to an association of such learned gentlemen; and they have a society. Not more than a year ago I thought I saw in the occupations of bookkeeping and stenography and typewriting an opportunity for an organization, and they now have one. If the ladies and gentlemen who take our orders for and bring us our ham and eggs will get together, they can do much to ameliorate their condition. I do not mean that they shall organize to-day and strike to-morrow. Well-conducted unions rarely need to strike; on the contrary, they make striking unnecessary. In a union membership of thirty-six years I have never been in but one strike, and that was really a lockout.

Let us have a strong Hotel and Restaurant Employees' Union in Washington.

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The following appeared in the Chattanooga *News* of the date given:

Bristol, Tenn., Sept. 13.—(Special.)— Col. Charles H. Slack, editor of the Bristol *Courier*, and for many years a leading democratic politician of East Tennessee, may come out formally as a temperance Democratic gubernatorial candidate.

Col. Slack is one of the most popular men in East Tennessee and has few equals as an editorial writer. His paragraphs have been widely published, and for wit and wisdom they are of a high standard.

He is a strong temperance advocate and if his candidacy is announced will make a formidable opponent in the gubernatorial race.

Colonel Slack is well known in Washington, where he put in a number of years in the Government Printing Office. Though his versatility seemed almost limitless, the transition from a Democratic to a temperance politician, as such, is so great as to give us pause. As much the greater portion of Tennessee, by means of local option, is "dry," if the citizens of that State vote as they drink the Colonel will have a walk-over.

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The proofreader was cited to appear before the boss. A proof sheet bearing the hieroglyphic mark of the reader was in the boss's hand.

"Did you read this?" asked the boss.

"I did," answers the culprit.

"You see this error which you missed?"

"Yes, sir."

"You know the penalty—a week off?"

"Yes, sir." with resignation.

"But last week you corrected an error of the author's which would have ruined the job. So I remit the penalty."

He needed not to have done so. With a wild shriek the proofreader threw up his hands and fell back senseless. When consciousness returned he had been seven days in the hospital.

P. S.—This never happened—the last part of it—but it is liable to.

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The *Star* last Saturday contained a picture of the large staff of Federal City Lodge, I. O. O. F., in which I recognized the faces of Prof. Henry W. Weber, Capt. Daniel V. Chisholm, George H. Eakle, George G. Wilson, Charles Garrells, and others. This team won the prize at two conventions of the Sovereign Grand Lodge—at Baltimore and San Francisco, but I have not heard yet what they did at Philadelphia, where the convention met this week. Printers are hot stuff in the secret societies as well as in everything else they get into.

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A recent advertisement of Post, the Posthumbug man, is peculiarly suggestive, containing a picture of a little girl with a doll, which she has opened with a pair of scissors, letting the grapenuts run out of it.

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I often wonder what a member of Columbia Union must think of himself as he comes out of a scab barber shop—not with regard to whether any other union man has seen him, but just what he thinks of himself.

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Lon A. Shimp, formerly hereof, is now the publisher of a paper at South Seattle, Wash.

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Henry L. Ripley, for many years in the office in various capacities, but for the last two or three years seeking health at his home at Edgartown, Mass., and in Florida, returned to the city last Sunday and has been reinstated in the office.

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I am in receipt of the Buffalo *Progress*, one of the best labor papers in the country. While not overlooking any labor news, it devotes much space to topics not strictly connected with trades unionism, but of interest to workingmen. Its editor knows how to make an interesting paper without resorting to slander and misrepresentation.

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Joe Goodkey was the only member present at the union meeting last Sunday who refused to join in the rising vote of thanks to our delegates to Toronto for the able manner in which they represented us, and he stated that he wanted to be recorded in the negative. But I don't believe he would have voted to thank the delegation if he had been part of it himself.

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By the hands of my friend, James Monroe Kreiter, I have received the card of Fellow *Journal* Correspondent George J. Knott, of Chicago—a little late, but I got it—with his regrets penciled on the back that I could not be at the convention. Brother Knott is one of the bright men who helped me to make the *Journal* the great magazine that it is.

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There were some great speeches at the Union meeting last Sunday, those of Delegates Barnum, Steele, and Johnson being especially fervid. Of course we heard from Messrs. Kidd, Kreiter, Ennis, T. F. Hall, F. C. Roberts, Goodkey, Brockwell, Gunn, and Templar. What would our union be without them? There is nothing ironical or sarcastic in this. I would be in it myself if I could talk. Perkins (downtowner) make a good talk too, as did Billy Garrett. Ability to inject yawp is a great talent. I wish I had it.

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The National Mutual Finance and Investment Company is prepared to endorse the claim that these are prosperous days. Less than two weeks ago a purchase was made, a deposit of $100 paid, and the transfer was to have been made this week. In the meantime, however, a gentleman who had heard of the deal, went to look at the house, and at once offered the directors a bonus of several hundred dollars if they would let him assume expenses and take title. His offer was accepted, and the company is again in the market, "loaded for bear." The company's first purchase has been constantly under good rental, but will be sold at the first opportunity. The price is $3,800, the terms being exceedingly easy. Any member of the company finding a buyer will receive a commission of $75. By the way, having been asked recently whether stock in the company can still be acquired, I will state that a premium is now charged to new members. President Melick or Secretary Donath will give details.

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It is a well-understood principle of unionism that when the men of an office are on strike the work of that office cannot be done in any other union office. The necessity for this is patent to all. But it has been necessary to remind one or two firms in this city that the law still prevails.

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The prospect of enforcing the eight-hour law in this city is very bright and there is little likelihood of trouble with more than one or two firms. At least half a dozen have signified their intention or have already signed the eight-hour contract. Circular No. 19 of the Eight-Hour Committee of the International Typographical Union, to be found elsewhere in this paper, contains much that is encouraging. By the way, every once in a while I run across one of those pessimistic fraid-cat fellows who view with despair every effort of the union for better conditions. "I hear the I. T. U. has $7,000 in its treasury to make the eight-hour fight with", said one of them to me the other evening. "Yes, I believe it has," I answered. "Well, sir," said he, "it will need it—every dollar of it—before it gets through with this fight." "I shan't be surprised if it should need all of that," said I, "but it has got about a million besides that that I don't believe it will have to draw upon." This man's intelligence equals that of another chap who, some time ago, being told that the $200 that the I. T. U. had been paying to Philadelphia Union was not quite enough to pay the salaries of five of the organizing force in that city, asked, "Ain't there but five men on strike in Philadelphia?" But they are firm supporters of Shelby Smith.

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Judge George B. Tallman, Col. William F. Dorsey, and Fred Harrison, of the G. P. O., were visitors at the Union Printers' Home at Colorado Springs during the recent Grand Army meet at Denver. Oscar Howard, of the Home, was recently granted a patent on his improved book and job chase, mention of which I have made before. It is believed that it will be a great success.

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In giving the devil his due we must not forget to do exact justice by the anointed of the Lord. The following has been turned over to me with the intimation that it is up to me to answer it:

BOSTON TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION, NO. 13,
BOSTON, MASS., *Sept. 22, 1905.*

MR. T. M. RING:

DEAR SIR: A paragraph appeared in the September 14 number of THE TRADES UNIONIST, referring to "Johnny Kiernan," who, it was alleged, came to Boston and took charge of an "open office" (this was no violation), and further intimating that there was something irregular about his actions since he left Washington. Allow me to say, in justice to Mr. Kiernan, that this office knows of nothing against Mr. Kiernan and he is at this writing in good standing in B. T. Union, No. 13. I would like to have you contradict the statement made, in justice to Mr. Kiernan.

JOHN A. MCPHERSON,
Organizer No. 13.

Here is the paragraph referred to and all of it:

Some queer stories having come to me regarding the employment of Johnny Kiernan in Boston, he having resigned here some months ago, as it was said, to take a foremanship there, I wrote to a friend to make some inquiries, eliciting the fact that Kiernan is working in an "open office," he having been dug out by the organizer, who got his Washington card from him and actually had to make him become a member of the Boston Union. But Johnny is intensely religious and presumably correspondingly conscientious.

Here is what my friend wrote me, on which the paragraph was based:

I saw Stirling about that man Kiernan, and he said he went to work in an open office and was dug out by the organizer, who got his card from Washington and actually forced him to become a member of Boston Union.

Now, if Mr. McPherson will deny that he "dug out" Mr. Kiernan and made him deposit his Washington card in Boston Union I will consent that everything in my paragraph referring to Mr. Kiernan may be considered as contradicted except the last sentence—"But Johnny is intensely religious and presumably correspondingly conscientious"—which I will stand until doomsday. I am going to suggest to Brother McPherson that his dating stamp runs too fast, for his letter of September 22 was received here on the 19th.

I strive to please. All errors promptly corrected. No trouble to show goods.

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J. Corydon Jones, whose death was announced in the papers on Tuesday, was the son of William L. Jones, a printer, whom all the old-timers will remember as "Old Bill Jones," who died about twenty years ago.

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Roanoke (Va.) "master printers" sent an agent down into North Carolina to get workmen to break the eight-hour strike. He was promptly arrested under the law prohibiting the enticing of labor from the State and put under bail. You can't always tell how useful a law may be when you enact it.

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Mrs. Mary B. Palmer has sued for a divorce from Wallace T. Palmer, a printer, who has at different times been employed in the G. P. O. Mrs. Palmer, who was the daughter of the late W. G. Burges, for many years a compositor in the same institution, was herself formerly a press feeder there.

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The papers have been full of the troubles of J. Herbert Broderick and the trouble he is making for others. For several years he has been a Merg operator on the *Post* and *Star* and was at one time a well-known correspondent of THE TRADES UNIONIST. His wife had obtained a divorce, being awarded the custody of the two children, aged 4 and 7, the father being privileged to see them once a week. On his day last week he took the two kids and skipped to Pfttsburg, where he was nabbed on Sunday, and after he returns to this city his ability to earn alimony will probably be reduced for a while. It is almost as near to Canada as to Pittsburg, where he could have retained his kids and worked for alimony too, but I suppose he never thought of that.

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CHASE'S THEATER.

John W. Albaugh and Olive May, in a sketch, full of comedy and mirth, entitled, "The Inspector from Kansas," is the most pleasing feature about the bill at Chase's this week. Mr. Albaugh and Miss May are well known to the theater-going public of Washington and in their latest efforts are well received.

Klein and Clifton, Billy Link, Alexander Mirrett and Adolph Glose, Nick Long and Idalene Cotton, and Coin's Dog Pantomime also add to the amusements of the evening.

COLUMBIA THEATER.

"Woodland" a musical comedy of a high class is playing its return engagement at the Columbia this week. The show has pretty music and a great variety of scenic novelties. It affords much opportunity for good comedy work, besides all these strong points it is being presented by a cast of unusual merit.

NATIONAL THEATER.

Mr. James K. Hackett, is wielding his trusty sword in "The Walls of Jericho" at the National this week, with crowded houses to witness the presentation of this strong play.

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Boom. The straw-hat bell was rung good and hard on the 15th.

Are you going up to Harrisburg, Pa., "Home Week," October 1-7?

Imposer Tom Donn is subbing for O. Shaw, in the "sky-parlor," who is on leave.

James T. Evans, one of the well-known "hot saw dust" end men is on his leave.

A pleasant call from Reader Harry O'Donnell, of the Agricultural Division, on Friday noon.

The B's have it. Geo. H. Ball succeeds O. B. B. in charge of Col. Bentz's alley. Busy B's! Cut it out.

After a delightful Western trip, Daniel Miller, of Jake Lesher's "push" returned to work on Monday.

Did you see "front office" Joe make that flying trip down the room the evening of the 15th about 29½ minutes after 4?

Foreman Chas. E. Young appeared at his desk on Monday morning, apparently much improved from his thirty days outing.

Glad hand, temps. Let them come right along. It will make no difference with the regulars, and how glad we should all be.

O, say did you see the illustrated Indian leather postal received by one of the Carlisle Indians? It is a beauty. Cost three cents for postage, etc.

We have heard of but two applications for leave this week—J. W. Cross, one of the best known compositors in the G. P. O., and P. R. Harvey, laborer.

The funny man at our elbow calls Hon. Simon Pocher, "John Waller, junior," because he is chief engineer in the subway during the sergeant's absence.

A great race on Monday noon between the half-past twelve whistle, paymaster and his assistants and the *Star* route representative, Mr. Lease, to reach this Division.

Messrs. Henry W. Weber, chief press reviser, and Capt. D. F. Chisholm, of the Proof Room, are absent, in Philadelphia this week attending the I. O. O. F. convention.

Pleased to announce that our clever young friend, Mr. Norman Sandridge, of Virginia, has received a temporary appointment in this Division and assigned to slug 48.

Maker-up Verlander, of the "Y," has returned from his annual vacation. So also has "Billy" Skeen, from Lancaster up. Moody, also, of the first alley of repairers.

Gee, whiz, another reinstatement. They are certainly coming fast and furious. This time it was C. C. Conlee, who also resigned a few months since from the Fourth Division.

Did you get a bottle of Red Dragon Seltzer on Friday noon? We got left, for the reason that the individual ahead of us grabbed twenty bottles. Human nature, what art thou?

Phil Steele says Mr. W. F. Ashley, maker-up on the "Y," can tell you why the four flags were displayed from the dome of the U. S. Capitol on Monday. We do not care to know.

On last Sabbath, XX-Delegate Philip S. Steele occupied the pulpit of the West Washington Lutheran Church at the morning and evening services and delivered excellent discourses.

Are you a subscriber to THE TRADES UNIONIST—best and most reliable labor paper printed—if not, see Clerk Berger, he will gladly add your name to the First Division's growing list.

The last call for straw hats has been very generally observed by the 200 daily occupants of this Division. Never mind the weather, boys, but get into your winter bonnet at once.

Recently Ed. Reinmuth, of Capt. Byron W. Bonney's group of expert accountants, has been rated as a clerk. No additional compensation, *i. e.* an advancement, so to speak, without a promotion.

The First Division readers of THE TRADES UNIONIST were glad to read an interesting communication in the last issue from "Wee Willie" the down town note paragrapher. The more the merrier, but don't scrap.

Oscar B. Bellinger, of the ring alley, has gone to his New York home to pass his annual leave in the hope that he may be greatly benefitted thereby, and be the better prepared for the approaching busy winter.

"Jake" Getman, of the "supply end," returned from his leave on Saturday. So also did Mr. Hutchinson, Imposer Alexander's assistant, and retired maker-up Morgan's "steady," C. W. Scott, of Anacostia, D. C.

Four more cheerful First Division compositors returned from the Spess. on Monday morning, the last remaining quartette of the original twenty-five. They were Messrs. Fitzgerald, Nesbitt, Perry, and Wilson.

Secretary Frank Morrison, of the American Federation of Labor, favored us with a brief call a few days ago. He gave us a favorable outlook of trade prospects, and that the printers eight-hour fight will be a winner.

We understand that Bruce Bielaski, of Assistant Foreman Spottswood's staff, who recently resigned and accepted a situation in the Department of Justice, has already attained his first promotion. Keep your eye on Bruce.

Our newest married man, W. L. Pierce, reported for work at the expiration of his leave. He was most heartily, cordially and sincerely congratulated, and at the same time presented with a very pleasing effect in silver.

Guess—why is it that the majority of the applicants for positions—we mean printers—wish to be assigned to this Division? All correct guesses will receive a railroad ticket at reduced rates to Harrisburg during "Home Week."

Copy Editor E. G. Farrell, of the Proof Division, had an acute attack of indigestion Monday noon, which gave his friends much alarm. Our physician, Dr. Manning, was speedily summoned. Pleased to say he is much improved.

"Jordan is a hard road to travel." But not this Jordan, Green J. Jordan, laborer, who resigned a few months ago to accept a good job elsewhere, like an army of predecessors, has returned, reinstated, and assigned to this Division.

During recent days the widow of our late friend, H. P. McKevitt, has received $2,500 insurance from the Modern Woodman. A distinctive and commendable feature of this organization is the erection of a monument to their deceased members.

Charley Graff, of the Department of Commerce and Labor, formerly a reader in the Proof Room, is a frequent visitor to this Division in an official capacity. Charles hails from Congressman Dalzell's district in the Smoky City; that is it used to be Pittsburg, Pa.

G. P. D., the venerable-looking member of Jake's crowd, has already engaged boarding at "Idle Hour" cottage, Colonial Beach, for next season. That he may not be crowded off either of the Randall ships on Sunday evenings he is having a ship built for his own accommodation.

During the week invitations have been received by members of this chapel announcing the approaching wedding of Miss Nina, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Alfred Perdue, to Mr. Wiley Howard Davis, on the evening of Wednesday, September 27, 1905, at half-past 8, at home in Newnan, Ga.

One of the best known compositors in the G. P. O., who resigned from the Fourth Division some months since, has been reinstated and assigned to slug 99—Col. W. L. Pierce's alley—we refer to Mr. Joe E. Zimmerman. Good workman? Well, rather; none better among our 1,000 comps.

Tim McMahon, of Columbus, O., has resigned his position up at the Treasury Division of the G. P. O. Tim is among one of the best printers we have ever known and a thorough gentleman. His friends in this city wish him unlimited prosperity in his new business venture in his home city.

What do you think, an employe of this Division from one of the Congressional districts in the old Keystone State has had a gold badge made and the number of the district engraved thereon, to enable him to remember the number. His legal residence is less than one mile distant from the famed C. I. S.—Carlisle Indian School.

Recent advices from Colorado convey the intelligence that J. J. McCarthy, a former ex-chairman of the First Division, and a law graduate, has left Denver, where he has been employed in the daily offices in that city, and is now the editor and proprietor of a weekly paper at Morrison, Colorado. That he may succeed in his new venture is the expressed wish of his many Washington friends. We are pleased to add that his health is much improved.

Col. E. M. Root, First Division custodian of the cabinets, for some years past, is the proud father of two sons, who, at the present time hold responsible positions in the show business. One of the young men, Ralph, is the advance agent for Ringling Bros. Circus. The other son, A. E., is the business manager for F. C. Whitney's company, in the original comedy, "The School for Husbands," at present playing to large houses in one of Chicago's leading theatres.

An unusually interesting programe was rendered at Pythian Hall last Saturday evening at the September social meeting of Printing Office Veteran Club. The officers are president, Charles F. Garrett; vice-president, John D. Russell; secretary, B. W. Bonney; treasurer, C. M. Robinson; sergeant-at-arms, J. C. Morgan; executive committee, D. W. Beach, Oliver Shaw, W. R. Ramsey, Briscoe Goodheart and George C. Harris, with the officers as ex-officio members.

From Cincinnati, Ohio, we learn that Mr. J. H. Schoeff, formerly of the G. P. O., is one of the important personages connected with the Cincinnati Traction Company. Mr. Schoeff not only learned his trade under the late esteemed Charlie Schell, but held most important positions in the Proof Room, old "Doc" Room, and lately in the Supply Department. No better-hearted employe ever signed the G. P. O. rolls, and "Jake" invariably called things by their proper names. May his future progress to unbounded prosperity continue right along.

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The last issue of *The Evangelist*, published by the People's Mission, 910 Pa. avenue, has the following kindly reference to a well-known member of this chapel:

Mr. Philip Steele, who a few weeks ago represented Columbia Typographical Union No. 101 at Toronto, Canada, was with us last Sunday night and gave valuable assistance to the service. He is always welcome, and our people love him.

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Hats off. Would it not be a grand thing if each member of our chapel would not only subscribe to, but line up to the following noble sentiment:

I expect to pass through this world but once. Any good thing, therefore, that I can do, or any kindness I can show, to any fellow human being, let me do it NOW. Let me not defer, or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again.

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SIXTH DIVISION.

Well, well, what's become of Texas Smith?

The sun of the sundown printer has done set.

Let us have peace and forget that Shelby Smith exists.

Coming events cast their shadows. There will probably be something doing at the next union meeting.

Clement Allen, of this Division, enjoyed a few days vacation last week. Mr. Allen was greatly missed—for several reasons.

John Adams, Merg. 20, having spent the past two weeks at his home in Pittsburg, Pa., returned to work on Friday morning last.

H. A. Graham, of this Division, returned last week from a vacation covering different points on Long Island, a trip to Niagara Falls, etc.

The Mergenthaler Linotype Company has declared a two and a half per cent quarterly dividend on $11,000,000, the amount of the company's stock.

While on leave of absence, which ended last Saturday, Lewis C. Tuttle, of this division, camped for two weeks up among the lakes of Northern New York.

Sundown printers will be given until January 1 to get out of business, after which date they may either hike to the woods or enter the professions, on which no restrictions exist.

It was pretty tough on Joe Goodkey, after bringing the Laws Committtee "to its senses" by recommending the adoption of his resolution, to have the same turned down by the members.

Of interest to G. P. O. compositors, the Second Division in particular, was the rulingof the Business Committee that Comprehensive Index matter should hereafter be measured double price.

From some of the speeches made last Sunday I should say that at least one or two of the orators had eyes on the throne. But, gentlemen, they do say that "silence is golden"—at times at least.

In a speech last Sunday a member said it was no worse for a printer to work eight hours and then a few more than it is for a printer to work eight hours at the case and then grind out bum copy for some magazine. And then he looked at James Monroe Kreiter.

President John R. Berg has ruled that a temporary compositor does not hold a steady situation. If he is engaged in the printing business he may continue so and work therein, except on the days when he has worked one day in the office wherein he is employed. A good ruling.

"Prematurely born presidential booms, like prematurely born children, are generally short-lived—in fact they rarely live to be brought to the baptismal font," says Mr. Bloomer. By this we infer that the "old man" has something up his sleeve in the shape of a dark horse for the springtime.

Now that F. C. Roberts has become a regular contributor to the columns of THE TRADES UNIONIST, would it not be a good idea for him to tell us what he started to say about a certain UNIONIST writer at a meeting of Columbia Union some time since? At the same time I hope it will result in nothing serious.

Among the candidates initiated were two boys, sons of well-known G. P. O. printers—Ralph V. Burnett, son of C. B. Burnett, and R. N. Babcock, son of Joe Babcock. By consent of the meeting the fathers of each of the boys were granted the privilege of escorting their sons into the hall for initiation. The occasion provoked loud applause.

The Colonial Beach *Progress* says that "Messrs. L. L. Dixon and Ed. Nash, of the Government Printing Office, have been very successful at fishing since coming to the Beach. Their last catch was about sixty trout, which averaged two pounds each." Both of these gentleman are well-known G. P. O. printers, the former being an employe of the Fourth Division, while the latter gentleman is our own Sixth Division Eddie.

Mr. Frank B. Crown, foreman of the Law Reporter Printing Company, accompanied by his wife and children, returned to Washington Tuesday, after spending his vacation here as a guest of his uncle, Captain Covington, says the Colonial Beach *Progress*. Mr. Crown is one of the best-known printers down town, and his name is frequently heard whenever a group of printers begin to look over the available list of down town eligibles to make the race for the occupancy of the president's chair in Columbia Union.

Last Sunday's meeting of the union was one of the largest attended and most enthusiastic affairs held in many months. Just why it is that the Sunday following an I. T. U. convention is generally more enthusiastic than ordinary is one of the things I am not able to make out. Ex-Delegate Mark Barnum warmed up to the occasion and spoke eloquently and logically in defense of the course he pursued at Toronto. Likewise ex-Delegate Joe M. Johnson and Phillip Steele. From the nature of their remarks I take it that there will be further remarks on the subject at the next meeting.

On Saturday night last at St. John's Episcopal Church, Georgetown, occurred the marriage of W. U. Herbert, of the Fifth Division, to Miss Helen G. Knode, of 416 East Capitol street, this city. Mr. Herbert was formerly a member of the messenger force of the main building, and was one of the popular guides who piloted visitors through the building. Later he was assigned to a Lanston caster in the Fifth Division. His bride is one of the most charming and attractive young ladies on the Hill. A number of his office friends were present to witness the ceremony and take part in a supper which followed later at the bride's home.

Bert V. Wolfe, Merg. 8, this Division, attended this week the encampment of the Sovereign Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows, now being held in Philadelphia. Mr. Wolfe is a member of the degree team of Columbia Lodge of this city, which on Wednesday night in the Quaker City took part in a competitive drill for a prize of a portion of $1,000. The team now holds the championship of the United States for third degree work, which it won two years ago. On the team and taking most prominent parts are several of the best-known printers in Washington. Aside from Mr. Wolfe, of this Division, there is George Gerberich, H. J. Redfield, Andrew Turnbull, E. C. Grumley and Stanley Ridings, of the *Official Gazette;* J. Herbert Broderick, of the *Star;* Otto Smith, foreman of Beresford's, and W. J. Galbraith, now of the *Post*. The prize is divided into $200 each degree, but the boys of Columbia Lodge will try to maintain the championship for third degree work. At this writing the result of the contest is not known.

The Lanston Monotype Company, under date of September 12, issued a bulletin, the heading of which in big type reads: "The President Sanctions the Act of the Public Printer in the Purchase of Additional Monotypes." After a very lengthy article reviewing the history of the two machines in the Government Printing Office it brings itself up to the time of the installation of the two makes of machine in the Government Printing Office, and says: "Here, now were lined up the machines of both competitors in the place where all knew their decisive ratings would be determined by actual day in and day out performance. By their respective records for quality, quantity, economy and dependability of operation, impartially kept under exacting conditions, were to be judged." Then the circular gives a letter from Public Printer Palmer in which it was stated the reasons for the purchase of the additional seventy-two machines was based on the records made by each machine, adding that "it now becomes apparent why the Mergenthaler Company shunned the test for which the Monotype had been waiting." In the light of the more recent publication of the Keep Commission report and President Roosevelt's comment thereon, the circular issued by the Monotype Company can be placed in the class with the Joe Miller joke book.

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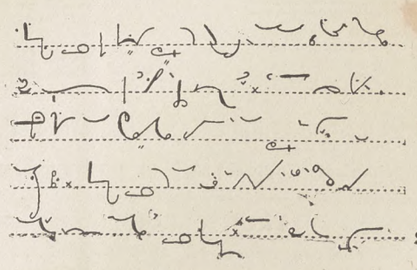

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

SPECIFICATION NOTES.

Miss Eisenhour is now a resident of the ring alley.

Rumor has it that this Division will soon be transported to the fifth floor of the new building.

Colonel McClure, late of the Treasury Branch, has been assigned a place here as copy holder.

The opportunity was given everybody to say "yes" or "no" when the question was asked whether they cared to learn to operate the Lanstons. Nearly all declared in the affirmative.

Mr. Marschalk, who was tempted to take his leave down in Louden County, Virginia, where good rich buttermilk is in abundance, was to have reported on Monday, but the story is that he was overtaken by a distressing carbuncle.

Our fellow-craftsman, Thomas Doonan, has been confined to his home by sickness the past two weeks. His condition was at one time alarming, but later reports are encouraging, and we trust that he will soon be with us again.

Walter Evans has received an improvised postal from his friend Sheehan, at Newport News, in the form of an unlaundried sleeve-cuff, with a characteristic message and instructions to donate the cuff to some one-armed man in need.

The following temporaries have been assigned to this Division since last report: John N. Race, Samuel H. Lenoir, Samuel C. Hinwood, Frederick L. Fridley, James S. Perkins, Samuel W. McCoy, J. K. Bittenbender, Daniel P. Sullivan, William C. Pershing, William A. Magers, John A. Ray, Edward H. Fisher, John W. DeVries, Samuel H. Madden, Harry Boate, Nicholas N. Nock, W. W. Barron, Herbert Winsey, D. Newlon, Mason P. Weller, W. H. Bates, Frank B. Trott, Julian Higdon, Richard B. Glennan, and Robert Robinson, Sr.

Mr. Sturgis returned Tuesday from Buffalo, whither he was called last week to testify in action taken by the Federal authorities against one Hudson, a crook who had used the United States mails as a vehicle of communication in the furtherance of a number of pet schemes, by one of which Mr. Sturgis and some fellow-craftsmen were duped by paying for apples they did not receive. On the witness stand, from questions propounded by the district attorney, Mr. Sturgis acknowledged that, being little versed in appleology, he did not at first understand what Hudson meant when in a letter he recommended the apples as "good keepers," but that point was made clear the longer he waited and as no apples arrived. The trip to Buffalo was extended so as to include Niagara Falls and a brief stay in Canada. Mr. Sturgis expects to be called next month as a witness in the case, and once again later on, all as the result of that apple transaction and in which Mr. Sturgis figures as the real hero.

G. P. O. Bowling League.

The bowling season of the G. P. O. Amateur Bowling League was inaugurated at the Rathskeller Bowling alleys last Monday night by President P. A. Walsh, who rolled the first ball and set in motion a movement which promises to have great success.

The undertaking, although large, and necessarily expensive, has been given the support of all loyal and good bowlers of not only the Government Printing Office, but outside, and the best demonstration of this was given last Monday night at the opening, when a large crowd turned out to witness the Foundry team led to execution by the Aldines.

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DOWN TOWN NOTES.

Items of Interest About Printers on the Wing and Elsewhere.

F. H. Padgett, formerly secretary of 101, is holding copy on the Baltimore *Sun*.

John Grove arrived on Saturday from Norfolk, and is on the *Times'* Mergs.

John Aughinbaugh accompanied the family to New York on Tuesday, on a vacation.

Frank Hughes, of the *Times*, hopes that his old Nemesis—hard luck—will soon desert him.

George Berry, foreman of the Hyattsville *Independent*, paid Washington a flying visit on Saturday.

D. C. Bogges, after tarrying in our midst for a while, has returned to the Rialto of the metropolis.

Con Ratcliffe, who recently arrived from Newark, has gone to Providence Hospital for treatment of kidney trouble.

Wm. King, formerly employed at Pierson's, is now handling the slicing bar on one of the B. & O.'s big locomotives.

Charley Lalor, of the Railway Mail Service branch, now speaks Italian fluently, having studied that language for some time.

Harold Plowman, formerly an apprentice at Judd & Detweiler's, is now employed as bartender at a Ninth street thirst parlor.

The union acted favorably last Sunday in the matter of the application of W. F. Talbott for readmission to the Union Printers Home.

The Albion dairy and adjacent building at Eleventh and E being torn down, the force at McGill & Wallace can now see the sights on Eleventh street by daylight.

"Minnie" Wood, who works at McGill & Wallace's when there is anything doing, claims, on account of being a member of the I. O. R. M. to be a well Red man.

An ad., presumably an error, appeared in a local evening paper last week, calling for a job carpenter at Hayworth's. Probably they need him on the wood type.

Wm. Jacques arrived in town on Tuesday from Roanoke, Va. He was one of the eleven who walked out of Stone's when the strike was declared in that office.

William Sweeney, who has been in the job room of McGill & Wallace, is still very ill with typhoid fever. In the meantime Charley Erdman is doing stunts on the job work.

James H. McDowell, who for sixteen years was manager of the Baltimore *Sun* job room, occupied the proof desk at Judd's last Friday. Arthur Barringer is the present successor.

Messrs. Warrener and Healey, of the *Times*, spent a pleasant day last Thursday on a fishing trip, and returned home weary, each loaded down with a basket of minnows and catfish.

Julian Higdon, after being connected with Judd & Detweiler for twenty-one consecutive years, has returned to the G. P. O., after an absence of twenty-one years from the big printery.

Only four embraced the offer from this city to go to Chicago, one of whom was John E. Fulenwider. Advices from Chicago are to the effect that he secured a card from Chicago Union and left for Toledo.

The *News and Herald* plant on North Capitol street, organ of the Seventh Day Adventists, will shortly move to Tacoma Park, where one of the most modern and largest plants will be in operation. It is contemplated that the plant will be in active operation by the first of November.

Whittet, of the firm of Whittet & Shepperson, of Richmond, was in town with a batch of copy which he desired done on machines in a Union office, as the contract required the label. He made application at Sudwarth's, where he met with a positive refusal, after being furnished with some salient pointers anent the eight-hour question.

WEE WILLIE.

Death of James King Marks.

James King Marks, a member of Columbia Union, died last Friday morning, at his late home, 15 Grant place, in this city. His death was said to have been due to a fever contracted in the enervating climate of the tropics while he was serving as a District volunteer in Cuba, and he had been in ill health ever since his arduous campaigning there. About a year ago he rapidly grew worse, and recently developed tuberculosis. Although he went to several places in the endeavor to recover his health, the disease proved the stronger.

Deceased was a son of Mr. W. S Marks, and was born at Beaver, Beaver county, Pa., in 1869. He came with his family to Washington in 1883, and completed his education, commenced in Pennsylvania, at the Friends' School. Ever since his early boyhood days he had been interested in printing, and when he came to decide upon a trade he settled upon that. He was in business for himself several times, and worked in several offices. His last place of employment in Washington was in the composing room of the Washington *Post*. About three years ago he went to New York, and returned recently to this city.

The funeral was held at 10 o'clock Monday morning, from Wright's undertaking establishment, 1337 Tenth street northwest. Rev. Dr. F. D. Powers, D. D., of Vermont Avenue Christian Church, officiated. Interment was in Arlington cemetery.

Royal Pilsen Beer on Draught. Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, North Capitol and G street.

ROBERTS REFLECTIONS.

"Do you think there will be another coal strike this year?"

This question was asked me by a fellow worker a few days ago. Whether he wanted to know so as to buy in his winter supply of coal or get in on the right side of the stock market I do not know, but for his benefit and others it looks to me as though the miners are going to face the same conditions as confronted them in 1902.

The coal barons are determined as ever to not recognize the union, while the miners say they have enough of the Coal Strike Commission's open shop policy.

In a recent speech in Mahoney, Pa., President John Mitchell, of the Miners Union, said:

The union is now stronger than at any time in its history, and is prepared to move on in one solid phalanx to victory in its fight for right, as it did in 1902. We shall demand an eight-hour day, and increase of wages, and above all recognition of the union.

To me it looks like war, and it will continue to be war until the people take control of the coal mines and use them in the interest of all the people. Cardinal Gibbons hit the nail on the head when, speaking from the same platform with the President of the United States, at Wilkesbarre, Pa., last month, he said:

What would it avail any man to own all the coal mines in Pennsylvania and West Virginia if their were no hearty son of toil to dig in the mines and transport the coal to the various centres of commerce? They would be a useless heap of rubbish.

The Cardinal could have gone a little further and said that the coal was put there for the benefit of all the people of the world, and that the men who dig it should be given the first consideration in the distribution of the rewards, and that the people ought to brush aside the schemers that stand between the workmen and the consumers. Some one will say, "Why that's socialism." If it is, then the American Federation of Labor is a socialistic body, for the governmental ownership of public utilities stands out boldly in their declaration of principles.

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As so many craftsmen are suffering from that dreadful disease, consumption, the medical world is taking quite an interest in one of the latest discoveries by Dr. John F. Russell, at the New York Post Graduate Hospital. The patient must eat as much as possible of nourishing food, and after each meal drink two ounces of the juice of vegetables ground to gether in a pulp. If Doctor Russell has discovered the right thing his name will some day be found in the Hall of Fame.

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The delegates from the Plate Printers Union reported to the Central Labor Union on Monday night that a committee from their union were calling uponthe merchants and asking them to put in a line of union label collars and cuffs. Good for the Plate Printers.

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As there seems to be a determination among the trade unionists of Washington to boom the union label the following letter from the general secretary of the United Textile Workers of America is published for the benefit of "labor cranks" who believe in spending their money in a way that will surely defeat the war now being made on organized labor by the open shop advocates:

Mr. F. C. Roberts, Washington, D. C.:

Dear Sir:—I received your letter of the 26th some time ago, but on account of being so busy in the preparations for the celebration of Labor Day, I did not have a chance to reply until this time.

I regret to say that there is no firm at present making underwear or hosiery bearing our label.

I agree with you that the most important and essential feature towards the maintenance of the closed shop is the creation of a demand for Union-made goods bearing the label of the several crafts that produce them. When that is secured in my opinion the question of the open and closed shop will be settled.

Thanking you for your interest in the matter, I am yours, respectfully,

ALBERT HIBBERT,
Gen. Secy. United Textile Workers of America.

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During the heated discussion which followed the report of the delegates at last Sunday's meeting of Columbia Union No. 101, I thought of the court scene in the Merchant of Venice, where Portia, pleading to Shylock says:

The quality of mercy is not strained. It droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven upon the place beneath. It is twice blessed: it blesseth him that gives and him that takes. It is mightiest in the mightiest. It becomes the throned monarch better than his crown. His sceptre shows the force of temporal power, the attributes of awe and majesty, wherein doth dwell the dread and fear of kings. But mercy is enthroned in the heart of kings: it is an attribute of God himself; and earthly power doth then show likest God's when mercy tempers justice.

As the delegates were not instructed they had a right to vote as their conscience dictated. Hence the feeling manifested at the meeting was entirely uncalled for.

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Organized labor is going to again try to get Congress to pass an eight-hour day. They intend to keep up the agitation until success crown their efforts.

One of the greatest and most influential lobbyist against the measure is the one representing the ship building industry. Their main argument is it would cost the Government more money on account of the high wages and the short hours. But according to the census report the Government does not lose money on account of the wage and an eight-hour day.

The report shows that the 7,690 hands employed in the navy yards produced a value for the census year of $11,034,312. The total cost of materials, wages, salaries of officials and miscellaneous expenses was $10,323,150. According to the report this shows a profit of $711,163 for one year on the labor of 7,690 employes.

The capital invested in our Navy Yard is over $54,000,000. With that much capital of the people's money invested Congress ought not to hesitate to see that we build our own ships, or make it necessary to give out any work to see that they are built under an eight-hour law.

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Death of the Mother of H. F. J. Drake.

[From the Elizabeth (N. J.) *Daily Journal* of September 12.]

Mrs. Phebe Ann Drake, widow of Captain John Drake, died yesterday afternoon at her residence, 49 West Grand street, in the eighty-sixth year her age. Up to Sunday evening she had enjoyed the blessings of health and strength to a remarkable degree, and death came after a few hours' illness from heart failure. She retained her faculties to the last.

Mrs. Drake, whose maiden name was Doty, was a native of Washington Valley, Somerset county, and had been a resident of this city about sixty years, the most of her married life having been spent in the vicinity where she died. Her husband, who died in February, 1896, was for a number of years a member of the firm of Drake, Davis & Drake, publishers of the *New Jersey Journal*. He was one of the best known citizens of Elizabeth, and captain of former Company A, a famous military command of bygone years, succeeding as commanding officer the late Senator James Jenkins.

Mrs. Drake is survived by two sons, Horace F. J. Drake, of Washington, D. C.; Herbert A. Drake, employed in the *Journal* office, and one daughter, Mrs. Theodore F. Meeker, of 1123 Hampton place. There are seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. One sister, Mrs. Elizabeth S. Meeker, resides at 316 Trinity place. A son, Walstein F. Drake, died in 1875.

Mrs. Drake's oldest son, Horace, came from Washington a few days ago, and was at the bedside of his mother when she suddenly passed away.

Mrs. Drake was a descendant of the Doty family, which came to America from England in the Mayflower in 1620. With the exception of Mrs. Meeker, her sister, she was the last of a family of five.

Public Playgrounds.

The annual field meet of the children who have been devoting time and energy at the playgrounds, under the eyes of Bernard Wefers, instructor in athletics, was held at the Coliseum on September 9

A fair attendance greeted the children, and the decisions of the contests and awarding of prizes received generous applause.

The little folks did well, and some of the sprinters looked like future champions, one boy averaging 100 yards in 11 seconds and a fraction.

Mr. Cuno N. Rudolph, Chairman of the Public Playgrounds Committee, expressly acknowledges, with thanks, the kindly interest manifested by trades unionists in this grand enterprize.

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order on Monday evening by President McCarthy.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved.

In the absence of Secretary Winslow, Delegate R. G. M. Ross acted as secretary.

CREDENTIALS.

Musicians Union, No. 161: Joseph B. Caldwell, vice C. V. Samuels.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Musicians Union, No. 161: Requesting full publication of unfair list in THE TRADES UNIONIST. Placed on file.

From Painters Union, No. 368: Protesting against member of Retail Clerks Union doing painting on show windows of the store in which he is employed. Referred to Retail Clerks Union.

From Brewery Workmen, No. 118: Asking aid for a member invalided on account of sickness. Personal contribution made by members present.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Contract Committee reported progress.

Grievance Committee reported progress on Horse Shoers case, and submitted contract with Connecticut Pie Co., duly signed. The committee reported progress on all other cases before it.

The contract of Connecticut Pie Co., was read and indorsed, and secretary instructed to so notify the president of the Connecticut Pie Co., W. E. Van Deusen.

The grievance of Hod Carriers Union against the George A. Fuller Construction Co., was brought up for consideration. It was moved and carried that the International Hod Carriers Union be requested to place the grievance of Hod Carriers Union before the American Federation of Labor and ask that body to declare The George A. Fuller Construction Co. unfair.

An attempt to reconsider the former action of the Union relative to grievance of Amalgamated Carpenters against L. D. Shaw was defeated.

The Educational Committee reported having organized and asked for instructions relative to payment of speakers. On motion matter went over as a special order of business for 9 o'clock at next meeting.

The Labor Day Committee reported full final statement and it was referred to the Auditing Committee.

Adjourned.

Will Open Shops.

A new phase was brought to light in the union printers' strike for an eight hour day in Richmond, Va., when it was announced that unless the employers accede to the demands of the men a co-operative job office will be started by the strikers, with a view to taking the work which the employing job printers will be unable to do for lack of men. It was stated by the striking printers that they expect the employers to accede to their terms within a week, but the latter tell another story. It is their intention to import non-union men and not take back any of their former employes unless they return on the old basis.

It is said that the strikers are well equipped to start a big job plant, having been laying aside money for the purpose for some time. Arrangements have been made whereby the material necessary can be secured inside of ten days.—*Greensboro (N. C.) Labor News.*

Arrested.

W. L. Woodward, business manager of the Stone Printing Company, at Roanoke, Va., got himself into trouble in Winston last Saturday. He was arrested for enticing printers to leave the State to work in his rat shop at Roanoke, but forgot to take out the license required by the State of North Carolina of $200. He was bound over to court on a $300 bond. That is at least one law in our statute that favors organized labor, but it was not so intended when it was placed there. "It's an ill wind," etc.—*Labor News, (Greensboro, N. C.)*

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

G. P. O. Bowling League.

The Government Printing Office Bowling League finished its first week at the popular game of ten pins. Some of the scores made by the various bowlers are pretty low, but as the season progresses the bowlers will be getting into condition and some higher games will occur. Spaeth, of the Cow Boys, is leading the League with an average of 188 1. McCarthy, of the Aldines, is second with 182. Carey, of the Foundry, is third with 181.1. McConnell, of the Aldines, is high man with 230.

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Carey	3	544	181.1
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Allen	3	529	176.1
Clark	3	501	167
Conroy	3	499	166.1
Herbeck	3	498	166
Addison	3	490	163.1
Williams	3	490	163.1
Walsh	3	488	162.2
Dwyer	3	484	161.1
Fitzwilliam	3	480	160
Holt	3	471	157
Arnold	3	468	156
Childress	3	455	151.2
Brown	3	452	150.2
Webb	3	446	148.2
McFayden	3	438	146
Hoffman	3	434	144.2
Nachman	3	433	144.1
Burkhardt	3	432	144
Holby	3	430	143.1
Cross	3	424	141.1
Wuesthoff	3	420	140
Sherman	3	417	139
Beddow	3	415	138.1
Norbeck	3	414	138
Johnson	3	412	137.1
Atkins	3	408	136
Lednum	3	399	133
Nevins	3	398	132.2
Kukart	3	397	132.1
Brosee	1	131	131
Nevils	2	262	131
Wolf	3	395	131.2
Powers	3	386	128.2
Markham	2	255	127.1
Shawen	3	378	126
Mace	3	361	120.1
Saltzman	1	123	123
Chamberlain	3	319	106.1

Following is a list of the teams and their members:

Aldines—Beddow, Bellinger, Shinnerer, Crump, Nace, Nachman, Nevils, O'Connell, Richards, Heisler, Peed, Solomon, Radley, manager, and Allen, captain.

Commercials—Bailey, Hess, Dennison, Holt, Sturn, McDonough, Williams, Beckert, Fitzwilliams, B. Wolf, Mohler, Spence, and Clark, captain.

Cowboys—Duffy, Glade, Dwyer, Hofmann, Nevins, Laframbois, Heinold, Wuesthoff, Sparth, and Benker, captain.

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JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

Consult Joe Babcock regard to the civil service retirement association.

The *Times*, which is real yellow of late, will have three issues per day after removing into the new building, 12 m. and 2 and 4 p. m.

Since Brother Belcher bobbed from the shadow into the edge of the lime light the several symposiums have folded their tents like the Arab, and can now be found in the region of Reilly and Dobbert.

H. S. SUTTON.

A Distressing Accident.

James D. McKinnon, of the Press Room, G. P. O., met with a painful accident last week by getting one of his hands caught in a roller frame. Mr. McKinnon is doing as well as could be expected under the circumstances. He is well known as an active member of Pressmen Union No. 1, and a worker in the cause of organized labor.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

Re-Elected Business Agent.

W. F. Gilmore, who has served as business agent of the Amalgamated Carpenters Union, of this city, was again re-elected to that position last Friday night. This makes Mr. Gilmore's fourth term, his election being an indorsement of his general worth for the position.

Royal Pilsen Beer on Draught at R. A. Driscoll's, North Capitol and G street. Overholt whisky, 10c.

THE EIGHT-HOUR DAY.

Success Crowning Efforts of I. T. U. For Shorter Day.

President Lynch has sent out the following information in Bulletin No. 22, of Eight Hour Committee:

Two hundred and twenty-four subordinate unions are now working on an eight-hour basis or have arranged to do so not later than January 1, 1906.

We are winning because are members are loyal and true.

Atlanta, Ga.—Largely attended Union meeting yesterday. Seventy-two out. No one stayed in. Franklin, Byrd, and five other small Typothetæ shops involved. Twelve offices signed agreement.

Later—Franklin Printing Co., largest establishment in city, agrees to eight hours January 1. Forty-seven men return to work immediately. Indications are that other Typothetæ shops will sign.

St. Louis, Mo.—Ninety-five offices signed. Ten out. Eight-hour day virtually won.

Later—Signed up large office. Still out—five large offices, five small ones. Journeymen still out, 128; apprentices, 23. Have written guarantees from all other offices in jurisdiction. They will pay scale of No. 8, January 1; scale based on $18, eight hours Eight-hour day practically won in St. Louis.

Later—Signed up Great Western Printing Co. Now out, eight offices; eighty-eight men; twenty-three apprentices, copy-holders, etc.

Cincinnati, Ohio—Seventy-two offices, employing one hundred and seventy-five men, have signed eight-hour agreements. Thirty-seven offices, employing one hundred and thirty men, refused, and the men are out. The list of offices signed includes some of the largest in Cincinnati.

Chicago.—Two hundred and sixteen contracts have been signed by offices employing 2,000 members of No. 16. Five hundred and fifty men now out in twenty-three offices. Many union members securing work in eight-hour offices, owing to increased patronage of these offices. Union officers this (Saturday) morning, over long distance telephone report the above, and add that the situation is in good condition. Number of non-unionists employed in struck offices not increased since last report. These non-unionists are the rag-tag and bobtail of the International jurisdiction.

Green Bay, Wis.—Contract signed. Eight hours January 1.

Stroudsburg, Pa.—All offices signed contract. No. 638 solid for eight hours.

San Diego, Cal.—All good; eight hours for San Diego. First in Southern California.

De Soto, Mo.—All employers in the jurisdiction of No. 513, including De Soto, Farmington, Bonneterre, Elvins and Flat River, have signed eight-hour agreement.

El Paso, Texas.—*Herald* and *News* two Typothetæ offices, signed International agreement.

Springfield, Mo.—Signed contracts to-day with all offices for eight hours at present scale.

Rochester, N. Y.—Seventy-eight members out; fourteen agreements signed. Twelve offices involved.

Topeka, Kan.—Eight hour day established in Topeka. Every shop signed up.

Since last report the following Unions have secured eight-hour agreements.

Saratoga Springs, N. Y.; Bay City, Mich.; Waco, Texas; Muskegon, Mich.; Topeka, Kan.; Saginaw, Mich.; Chicago Norwegian-Danish; San Diego, Cal.; Racine, Wis.; Bloomington, Ill.; Albany, N. Y.; Bakersfield, Cal.; Salida, Col.; Boone, Iowa; De Soto, Mo.; Durango, Col.; Dubuque, Iowa; Manistee, Mich.; Dover, N. J.; Green Bay, Wis.; Springfield, Mo.; Stroudsburg, Pa.; Salisbury, N. C.; Union Hill, N. J.

Strikes are in progress in the following cities:

Peoria, Ill.; Grand Rapids, Mich.; Syracuse, N. Y.; Toledo, Ohio; Richmond, Va.; Jersey City, N. J.; Newark, N. J.; Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Ann Arbor, Mich.; Sioux Falls, S. D.; Aurora, Ill.; Watertown, N. Y.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Chicago, Ill.; Detroit, Mich.; Lynchburg, Va.; Springfield, Ohio; Lowell, Mass.; New Haven, Conn.; Elkhart, Ind.; Greensboro, N. C.; St. Louis, Mo.; Norwich, Conn.; Wilkes Barre, Pa.; Dallas, Texas; St. Joseph, Mo.; Hartford, Conn.; Rochester, N. Y.; Schenectady, N. Y.; Winnipeg, Man.; Kalamazoo, Mich.; Roanoke, Va.; Cincinnati, Ohio; San Antonio, Texas; Hannibal, Mo.

All of these unions have secured agreements with a number of offices.

President Lynch concludes his report as follows:

Reports continue to show gains throughout the jurisdiction and not a single loss. Several thousand members have secured the eight-hour day under contracts negotiated without difficulty. At least one thousand members, previously on strike, have returned to work under eight-hour contracts. About two thousand members are now out in jurisdictions where partial settlements have been made.

Every union that has made a demand for the eight-hour day has succeeded in securing contracts with some offices, and these contracts are not confined to small offices by any means.

The loyalty of our members is beyond question.

Carbonated Water.

A. H. Nofsinger, of 807 North Capitol street, installed a carbonating machine and serves carbonated water with each drink. Atherton 6-year-old Kentucky Whiskey and Union-made Cigars and Smoking Tobacco are his specialties. Call and see him.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

The following members of Columbia Lodge No. 174, I. A. of M., are on the sick roll: D. D. Wilson, I. S. Lane, A. E. De Groot, F. Noal, F. D. Chambers, E. L. Donithan, W. T. Roberts, J. J. Porter, W. C. Campbell, S. E. Jones, W. A. Brodie, S. T. Kinsinger, and Chas. Johnson.

Captain E. C. Pendleton, Superintendent of the Naval Gun Factory, is on leave until October 15, when he will be relieved by Captain Leutze. In the meantime Captain Beatty will administer justice to the employees of the Yard. There are many in the Yard who would like to have him succeed Captain Pendleton permanently. This is positive evidence of his popularity among the workmen.

The Boston convention has adjourned and the delegates are returning to their constituents to give an account of their stewardship. While it is not the proper thing for me to state at this time what action will be taken by Columbia Lodge, I am free to say that by the time the critics passes them through the sweating process some of them will wish that they had allowed others to represent the Lodge at Boston. There is a rod in the pickle and I fear it is heavily charged.

The Naval Gun Factory Band gave an open concert Friday evening last in the Yard, under the direction of Prof. J. G. Moody. The following numbers were rendered:

March—The New White House.
Medley Overture—Bits of Recent Hits.
Waltz—Daughter of Love.
Characteristic March—Happy Heinie.
Serenade—The Troubadour.
Polonaise—Voyage of Life.
Selection—Love's Sentinel.
Medley March—Keep a Little Cosy Corner In Your Heart For Me.
National Air—Star Spangled Banner.

I have no personal acquaintance with Mr. Oscar Ricketts, the Acting Public Printer, therefore I have no friends to punish or enemies to reward. But I am truly glad that he was selected at least temporarily to fill the chair of Public Printer. I always have a peculiar feeling for the under dog and rejoice when he turns and comes on top. This is not a nice way of expressing one's ideas, but I am a blunt man and believe in expressing yourself just as you believe. Anyway I think Ricketts is the right man in the right place, and if I had any influence it certainly would be used in his behalf. Let us hope he will win.

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Mr. John B. Simering, of the Tool Division, is seriously ill with typhoid fever. It is regretable that the sympathy of the craftsmen in the Yard is withheld from him, but it is of his own volition, as he has placed himself outside the pale of Unionism by adopting and advocating a false method in assuming that the individual is greater than organization. It is in the hour of affliction that we most need the sympathy and assistance of our fellow men, and in no way can that be better accomplished than through the strong bonds of trade union fraternalization. While the past acts of the man have been condemned as hurtful to unionism in the Yard, I am sure it is the universal wish that his recovery may be speedy.

An examination of applicants will be held at the Navy Yard September 30, or as soon after as practicable, for filling the following position: One draftsman at $1,200.00 per annum, Bureau Equipment, Navy Department. Applicants should have a general knowledge of coal handling and conveying machinery, especially that adapted to the loading and unloading of colliers, and the storing of coal; also the methods in use for coaling the various classes of war vessels; also a good knowledge of the details of wharf and pier construction and coal storage bins, and have sufficient technical knowledge and education to enable them to make all calculations necessary for such work.

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An examination of applicants will be held at the Navy Yard October 15, or as soon thereafter as practicable, for filling the following positions in the Bureau of Construction and Repairs: One first class assistant ship draftsman, $3.28 per diem; one second class assistant ship draftsman, $2.80 per diem. The examination will be open to all comers who can furnish evidence of experience in the kind of work to be performed and who are citizens of the United States. Persons now employed in the Yard will be admitted to the examination on the same footing as outside applicants.

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East Washington is always jealous of her sister, the Northwest, and never allows an opportunity to escape in proving that fact. Several days ago we read of a lady in the Northwest putting to flight two mashers, using an umbrella as her weapon. East Washington immediately grew jealous and proceeded to place the Northwest at a discount.

Last Wednesday evening as eight bells struck, notifying the employees that the time had arrived to cease labor, a man and a woman were anxiously waiting for one of the clerks to make his exit. When he appeared not a word was spoken, but he was closely followed by both the man and woman until they reached the corner of South Carolina avenue and Tenth street southeast, when the woman drew a cowhide and proceeded to do the honors in the presence of several hundred people who quickly assembled.

When she had exahusted her strength the man who accompanied her took up where she had left off and proceeded to finish the job. No one interfered, no policeman was convenient, so after satisfaction had been obtained the pair jumped on an Avenue car and departed while the victim proceeded to his home.

From the best information obtainable the following facts were elicited: It appears that the victim was a former husband of the thrasher and had secured a divorce, the court granting the prayer of the father and giving him the custody of the two children as the result of their marriage. The lady again married and sought to secure the custody of the children, which resulted in a quarrel with her former husband, with the result as herein related.

I am informed that warrants will be issued for the pair and they will be allowed the privilege of explaining to Judge Kimball why they took the law in their own hands in so brutally assaulting an innocent man, who was simply complying with the order of the court.

TIM TICKLE.

Echoes From "Labor Day Sunday."

BY CHARLES STELZLE.

That nearly seven thousand Presbyterian ministers should discuss some phase of the labor question on the Sunday before Labor Day indicates the importance of the problem. It also proves that these ministers are wide-awake to this great world movement.

It is safe to say that more labor sermons were preached on September 3rd than any other day in the history of the Christian Church. It is just as true that more union men attended church than on any other day since the advent of the modern trades union movement. In many cities Central Labor Unions attended the church services in a body. Possibly some of the preachers said fool things about labor. If they did, laboring men should correct them. However, newspaper clippings and other reports which have come to our office indicate that practically all the addresses delivered were sane presentations of the subject. It is interesting to note that not a preacher—so far as I know—denounced the trades union as an organization, although some of them deprecated certain features which have crept into it. But these mistakes are even more greatly deplored by the men who are at the head of the trades union movement.

That the effort of the Presbyterian Department of Church and Labor to popularize "Labor Day Sunday" among the churches resulted in some very practical things is quite evident.

First. It was made clear that just as Memorial Day and the several "Birthdays" show our appreciation of those who rendered patriotic service, and just as the churches "holy days" do honor to those who have served mankind spiritually, so "Labor Day Sunday" should be observed by the churches in honor of the millions of toilers who daily serve mankind in the humbler places of life.

Second. Both sides discovered that each had been misunderstanding the other. Many a preacher, in his study preparatory to the service, got a new vision of what the labor movement stands for, and many a workingman, listening to his Labor Day address, caught a glimpse of the purpose of the church which he had never dreamed of.

Third. It was noteworthy that even the so-called rich men's churches flung wide their doors to welcome the toilers. Still more important is the fact that the preachers in these churches spoke plainly of the sins of the employer as well as the sins of the employe—and there are sins on both sides.

Fourth. Many an employer, who had not studied very deeply into the history or the object of the labor union, has now a broader conception of what it all means because of what was told him on Labor Day Sunday by the preacher.

Fifth. Many an employe, whose whole thought had been that the labor question was purely a question of wages and hours, saw that there were moral issues involved which affected him as well as they affected his employer.

All these things, and some others which might be mentioned, will help to bring about a better understanding between men. Surely that is the first essential to the full doing of one's duty toward his fellows. And that will help settle the labor question.

[Rev. WILLIAM CARTER, First Presbyterian Church, Kansas City, Mo.]

"If anyone should be true to Christ it seems to me it ought to be the workingmen. He is one of you. If He were here on earth today He would apply for admission, I doubt it not, into the organization of the Carpenters."

[Rev. J. L. CAMERON, Presbyterian Church, Brush, Col.]

"It was not the intention of the founder of the church that it should become an annex to any social, industrial or political organization; but by furnishing a Christian sentiment, the church disturbs the economics of wrong wherever it exists in organized capital as well as in labor unions."

[Rev. J. E. CUMMINGS, West End Presbyterian Church, Ottumwa, Iowa.]

"I appeal to the laboring man to help make the church what it should be. Let me use the argument that you use in favor of a closed shop. You say that it is not right for a man to receive the benefit of the shorter hours and better pay secured by the union who does not give his moral and financial support to that union. You would not tolerate a man, who while not helping to support the organization, would yet find fault with the work of the church unless you support it. I, as a member, have a right to find all the fault in it that I can, but I challenge the right of any man outside of it to find fault or criticise the church."

[Rev. C. J. MCCONNELL, First Presbyterian Church, Superior, Wis.]

"The church and labor are not only co-laborers one with the other, but together with Christ, Who died that these very same enemies, sin and selfishness, might be destroyed, and He, our King and Saviour, has sent us forth against the same old enemy. We cannot in justice to our common Lord, present a divided front to the enemy. The church and labor must unitedly concentrate their attention, their sympathy, their money, their love and their choicest powers as Christ did his."

[Rev. L. C. GRANT, Presbyterian Church, Eau Claire, Wis.]

"Our churches are democratically organized. Laboring men have the franchise in our churches as fully as in our democratic nation. The church invites them to take as full a share in its government and work as they will. Laboring men and church men are the same sort in their personnel, principles, hopes, endeavors, and the democratic character of their best organizations; and they may work together sympathetically for better men and a better civilization."

[Rev. THOMAS D. LOGAN, First Presbyterian Church, Springfield, Ill.]

"Whatever misunderstandings may have existed in the past are being removed by a closer acquaintance and a mutual interchange of views. An institution which rests on a Christian basis should be in close fellowship with the church of the Lord Jesus Christ. It cannot take its place, nor can the church take the place of the labor union. The sphere of the one is religious, of the other industrial. But the two can work together in harmony in the common effort to uplift our fellow men, and so to improve their condition and surroundings as to make possible their moral and spiritual development, thus fitting them for happiness in this life and in the life to come."

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1905.

NOTICE.

This office will close at 1 o'clock p. m. on Saturdays and 5 o'clock p. m. other days during the week.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

The Rev. Frank M. Bristol, of the Metropolitan M. E. Church, indulged himself last Sunday night in a sermon against the policy of Chinese exclusion, the recent declaration of the American Federation of Labor on the subject making the occasion for it. If the reverend gentleman does not see the need for such exclusion he has wasted his opportunities. As he well knows, the Chinaman, Jap, or Korean is never an immigrant, coming here to make a home and to be taken into and become part of our people; but he is a mercenary, whose only object is to accumulate money here to carry back home. He does not become assimilated and a part of us, but remains ever a Mongolian. His standard of living is low and he is to but a small extent a consumer of American products. He lives to himself, retains his native dress and usages, and in most cases, fails to even learn our language.

Mr. Bristol insults European immigrants by comparing them to Chinamen, asking:

> But why exclude the Chinese and not the Irish—as proud as I am of the Irish blood in my veins—when the Irishman never lived who produced an ethical and literary work equal to the Analects of Confucius?

Because if the Irish were like the Chinese Mr. Bristol would be the bogtrotter that his latest Irish ancestor was, instead of an American clergyman who ought to be interested in Americans above all peoples. He asks the same question regarding a number of other nationalities, to which the answer is: Because the Europeans Americanize and the Chinese do not. We have a sufficiently great problem in the black race among us without adding another inferior people. He singles out the deeds of individuals as though they were typical, as in the reference to the work of Confucius. Let him enter the first Chinese laundry and learn that the class of Chinese who want to come to this country never heard of Kung-fu-tse or his Analects.

Why does Mr. Bristol want the Chinaman admitted to this country? Does he hope to Christianize him when it is evident that he cannot even Americanize him, and when the Chinaman's religion, for which he has the same authority as Mr. Bristol has for his, was old when the Hebrews were Egyptian slaves, and has come down through more centuries than we have even traditions for, unchanged and unchanging? Does he hope to convert the Chinaman from the doctrines of the Confucius whom he admires, as does the world? Why, not as many Chinamen have been converted to Christianity as we have sent missionaries to them.

Does not Mr. Bristol want the Chinaman admitted for the same reason that workingmen want him excluded—because he works cheaply? Lies not his interest in that direction—not that it will profit him personally, but the class whom he desires to please? I am old enough to remember when men of God preached the divine origin of the institution of slavery for the same reason. Wealth wants nothing that ministers of the gospel will not advocate—not all, thank God! but, unfortunately, too many of them.

He speaks of the "tyranny of labor, the despotism of industrial power." Did the greed of capital which enslaves little children, pays pittances to women, and tells fathers, "Take what I pay or starve!" ever excite his wrath? Has he not seen, though perhaps with pain, what the labor union has done for not only its members but all in the same occupation? Has he ever compared the wages paid in trades which have unions with those which have none? If not, let him ask the first "registered pharmacist," who works from twelve to sixteen hours a day, the first bookkeeper, the first typewriter he meets, what he receives, and compare his wages with the $3 to $6 per day mechanic who works but eight hours. But perhaps that is what hurts him.

Why does the American manufacturer demand protection from foreign competition? Mr. Bristol undoubtedly indorses that demand, and so do I. Because the foreigner has advantages in the lower standard of living of his labor, for one thing. The American workingman demands protection from a class of labor which can save money for China on less wages than would keep the American's body and soul together. He is not enamored of the hordes of Europeans coming here, but as their previously arrived countrymen have votes, he is unable to keep them out, though he is still trying.

Mr. Bristol may never know the number of his congregation who expressed disgust at his sentiments as they filed out of the church; but he probably does not care, as that is not the class he preaches for, but only to.

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George P. Christie, formerly well known here, but who has been for several years, a reader in the State printing office at Albany, is now a proofreader on the Brooklyn *Eagle*.

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George P. Nichols, of the Baltimore *Sun*, dropped in on us last Monday and gave us (not the editorial "us") some cheering information, to the effect that there is not likely to be much trouble in enforcing the eight-hour day in Baltimore. But cheering information is coming from everywhere.

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One day recently a choirmaster of one of the city churches was passing the house of Frank Benzler, of the *Post*, and hearing Miss Mabel (I hope I have the name right), his young daughter, singing, rang the bell and introduced himself. He expressed his admiration of her voice as one of remarkable power and sweetness and recommended that her talent be developed. She then went to Dr. Kimball, the noted vocal teacher, who indorsed all that the choirmaster said, and steps will be at once taken to educate her musically. I hope to yet hear that she has made her mark in the musical world.

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It is a matter of satisfaction that of the 72 Cincinnati printing firms, out of the 94 originally involved, who have signed the eight-hour scale, Roessler Bros., the printers of *Mixer and Server*, the organ of the bartenders and hotel employees, were the first to put their names to the contract. Seventy-two had signed up to last Saturday, and probably more since.

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The Executive Council of the I. T. U. has accepted Shelby Smith's apology without requiring Philadelphia Union to expel him, as was the order of the Toronto convention, before his apology could be considered. Some are dissatisfied with this action of the Executive Council, claiming that the verdict of the convention should have been carried out to the letter. I am inclined to consent to the action of the Executive Council, for its members were the parties offended against, and whatever they are satisfied with should satisfy the rest of us. I am convinced that Mr. Smith has had such a lesson that he will not again offend to the extent he has hitherto done, though it is too much to hope that he will entirely drop the backcapping habit and discuss matters and men on their merit. But whether he does or not, as a convicted and confessed slanderer, what he may say in the future will have little effect. In other words, he is a slanderer out of a job; for whenever he attacks a reputation hereafter the memory of the incident just closed will come up in the mind of the reader and Mr. Smith's statements will be discredited. I have not seen the apology, but if it were not ample I do not believe it would have been accepted. Why men of the Shelby Smith and Frank Kennedy order should indulge in torrential abuse, when it defeats itself by the disgust it excites in ordinary minds, is too much for me. There is so much to discuss in a reasonable and moderate frame of mind, for the good of the cause that is dear to all of us, that it is pitiable that any should waste their efforts in impotent rage and abuse of the common enemy, much less our fellow workers. I hope it will be a long time before it will be again necessary for the I. T. U. to discipline a labor editor.

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"Well! Well! What's become of Texas Smith?" asks Sonny Gunn. "Texas" is working on the Stryker (Ohio) *Advance*, where he has married and settled down, and he writes me that he will name his first boy after his boss.

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To obtain union skill and efficiency under scab conditions is the hope of the "open shop" advocate.

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If the Rev. Dr. Frank M. Bristol read the answer of Secretary Frank Morrison, of the American Federation of Labor, in Tuesday's *Star*, to his Sunday night sermon, he knows more of the Chinese question than he ever did before. He may also gather that the preservation of the American workingman is of a great deal more importance than a sickly sentiment regarding human brotherhood.

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Last Friday poor Tom Doonan, one of the sunniest men who ever lived, was called to his long home. After an illness of a short time, during which his illness was diagnosed as peritonitis and as appendicitis, he was operated on at Providence Hospital, from the shock of which he never recovered. The operation revealed the presence of a malignant intestinal tumor. Coming from Columbus, Ohio, a dozen years ago, his remains were carried there for interment. As a fellow-man he was the life of his "alley," his good-nature and his genial laugh being contagious. If he ever had a grudge against anyone, he only thought it; he was never known to speak ill of others. He left a wife and three children, all practically grown, and at the age of 59 years death found him.

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Sonny Gunn infers that I am making a livery stable of my sleeve for presidential dark horses. I want to suggest to him that I also expect to do something in delegates when the springtime comes, gentle Annie, and that there won't be any smoothbores among them.

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The Rev. Dr. Bristol ventures to say that not one-third of the members of the American Federation of Labor are Anglo-Saxons. Why should they be? This is not an Anglo-Saxon country except in language. It is more largely Teutonic than Anglo-Saxon, more largely Scandinavian, more largely Celtic—even more largely Latin. I think these facts are its salvation, for there are no people in the world so merciless and cruel to inferior peoples as the Anglo-Saxons. Read the history of the Englishman in India, in Australia, in North and South Africa, and especially that crime of crimes in the Transvaal.

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The Washington Typothetæ has forbidden its members to do any work for firms where there is a strike for the eight-hour day. It is by thus fighting shoulder to shoulder with the Typographical Union that the greatest good can be accomplished for both organizations. (Ax.)

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The newspapers are doing a lot of miscellaneous guessing about the Government Printing Office and some of it sounds real well. If they predict everything, when anything does happen they will be able to say, "As foreshadowed in the———."

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To kinder square himself for his former popular suggestion, in accounting for the great number of murders and burglaries in Chicago, that "the strike breakers must do something between strikes," *Post* Paragrapher Hunter recently remarked that it would be interesting to know what Chicago workingmen do between strikes. But none of us can afford to express our sympathies all the time, and even a thoroughbred sometimes has to wear a muzzle and tag.

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The Rev. Dr. Bristol imagines that it is the color of the skin and the slant of the eyes of the Mongolian that the American workingman objects to. No, it is the fact that the Mongolian can undersell him in the labor market, which he is enabled to do by taste for rats, that makes the trouble.

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While on his vacation fishing in some minnow branch up in Pennsylvania, i. walter sharp, of the Proof Room Annex, wrote a letter to one of the Force, addressed to "record proof room." For this act of lese majeste he was find $2 and sentenced to receive a protest from every member of the Force.

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Joe Goodkey wrote to Secretary-Treasurer Bramwood, to inquire regarding the typographical error by which he was referred to as "Delegate Goodkey" in the *Typographical Journal's* account of the convention proceedings. It was such a self-evident error that it hardly needed explanation.

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A friend suggested to me the other day that Congress ought to buy the ground between the Government Printing Office and Massachusetts avenue and make a park of it. Wait until the new Union Passenger Station is completed and I will look into it.

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The cat ate the first batch of copy I turned in this week. But it is easy to make more. I will break the cat's neck if it happens again, however.

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Otto F. Thum, of Denver, has been promising me a couple of stories of old-time printers, but now writes to tell me that he can't send them, as one of the parties is still living. He has evidently learned the lesson that "dead men never kick." In addition to his duties in connection with the *Miners' Magazine*, the organ of the Western Federation of Miners, he is the funny man of the *American Woodman*, at which he is a success.

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Johnny Ottinger, chairman of the Proof Room Annex, returned late last week from a vacation of a couple of weeks, which he spent in Buffalo. He says the beer there is a great deal better than what we have here. But then he was raised on Buffalo beer.

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Johnny Huston, of the Annex Proof Room, returned to work the other day, after a couple weeks of fishing out in Ohio. My sense of duty as a Truthful James will not permit me to report the fish lies he tells.

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"Jakey" Dwight recently underwent an operation for relief from an abscess in his back and is now convalescing nicely at Sibley Hospital. Dr. Chadwick is the attending physician.

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It looks as though the Northeasters will soon be able to go through Massachusetts avenue on the overhead route. It is time that the authoritories were making at least one respectable route through the new Union Passenger Station site to that section. There are three or four crooked mud roads now, but none that affords decent traveling.

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I read that all the Potomac water will be filtered by October 1. But that fact will not make any serious inroads on the beer traffic. All the filtered water in the world would never make a man hunt for the footrest in front of the bar.

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One wearies of the barber who, as he dashes on the first coat of lather, begins to tell what he knows about printing and names to the end of the list all the "tiregraphical" boys who patronize his shop.

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The printer was first to introduce and use the "big stick," is fond of "display," and really enjoys a "big head." He is often "out of sorts," partakes freely of things nourishing, but draws the line on "pi." The printer is sometimes prosperous and now and then makes his mark, but never in this way:

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While the best State for hogs, as 'tis likewise for graft, is Penn.
The very worst State for one's health is undoubtedly Ill.,
But of all States that we like, Me. (you) fills best the bill.
The best State for dogs is Ky. (yi), when encouraged by "hiss!")
While the best State for poor shots can be no other than Miss.,
The best of all States for the Arabs is surely Ala.!
And the State for which O. stands is best for those who can't pay.
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While the States Wis., Ky. go together too off on a lark.

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AMUSEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

THEATERS.

CHASE'S THEATER.

Miss Mary Vokes, with the able support of Neil McCay, in a sketch entitled, "The Model Maid," is the most pleasing feature about the bill offered at Chase's Theatre this week. In this sketch Miss Vokes is given splendid opportunity to demonstrate to a Washington audience what she can do in her character role which she has made famous.

The grand opera trio, consisting of Blanch La Vigne, William Xanten and Signor Abramoff, The Dollar troupe of acrobats, the Nicholl sisters, Pete Baker and the Tailor twins all added to the unusually good bill.

NATIONAL THEATER.

After being seen in Washington for the third time it can be said that the "Wizard of Oz" did not score a success when it began a a week's run at the National this week. Montgomery and Stone were not well received by the audience as the Scare Crow and Tin Woodman. A few new songs have been added, so to those who have not seen the show before there is some attraction.

Honor to Whom Honor is Due.

In a paragraph in the First Division Notes last week our correspondent made the following reference to recent death of H. P. McKevitt:

During recent days the widow of our late friend, H. P. McKevitt, has received $2,500 insurance from the Modern Woodman. A distinctive and commendable feature of this organization is the erection of a monument to their deceased members.

The reference to the Modern Woodmen is an error. The Woodmen of the World is the organization that should receive credit for the feature mentioned, and we gladly make the correction.

GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

R. L. Townsend has not yet returned to office.

How often man proposes and your better-half disposes.

J. B. Dickman, 129, has been quite ill during the past week.

Shoot that straw bonnet. What's the use of the bell ringing?

A friend remarked that he moved a. t. h. He meant "across the hall."

Repairs are being made to the elevator at the west end of the G street side.

Corporal R. N. Carter, of this Division, has been on the sick list the past two weeks.

Say, did those "left-over" Colonial Beach men ever receive damages from Captain Randall?

A. P. A., means Apartment A, says Chairman Templar. He knows—from Hbg. Harrisburg.

While on his leave, B. L. Fowler remained in the city, enjoying a much needed rest. Sensible person.

Makers-up Haworth and Morgan are resting this week. So is Tom Waterman, Mr. Haworth's understudy.

That master mechanic and "boss" carpenter, A. A. Bundy, has delivered several fine pieces of furniture to the Proof Room.

Charlie Garrette is the latest boarder at Jack Burnside's lunch counter. A daily never changeable bill of fare, mostly onions.

Compositor L. H. Burton, of Foreman Constantine's force, over at the Treasury Division, was a Tuesday morning caller.

Have you seen the handsome card of John H. Hogan, of the Spess. It is a beauty and reflects credit on the house from which it was issued.

Gee whiz, what great chicken dinners we always have on the day following Sunday! This week had a new departure—giblet pie, only 10 cents a saucer.

Messrs. Wallace, Sehorn and Joe Zimmerman have been doing a rushing make up business this week, owing to the absence of the other two make-ups. 'Twas ever thus.

That well-knwon pressman, Fred. A. Anderson, recently returned from the Philippines, has been reinstated and assigned to duty in the Main Press Room last Friday. Glad hand.

Well, who missed the "boat" down at Chesapeake Beach the other day? For "boat" read "cars." Have since made application to join the ranks of the Colonial Beach "left-overs."

Recent temporary assignments to this Division, are H. M. Ripley (formerly of the *Record*), Wm. Fleming and Dr. S. D. Barr, representing slugs 49, 92 and 1. Good workmen; bet your life.

Another of our fellow workmen in this Division is the proud father of two well-to do sons, influential and prosperous business men in New York City. We refer to maker-up W. F. Ashley, of the "Y."

Chief engineer Richards, of the Bureau of Title Pages, Supplies, etc., returned on the last half holiday. E. McCormick, one of the understudies in the same Bureau, reported on the same day, hour and minute.

In a recent letter from W. E. (Kid) Shields, Denver, Colo., he wrote: "I expected some of my old comrades here from the G. A. R., but only one, Judge Tallman, reader in the Job Room, showed up. Kindest wishes to all."

A notice in last week's issue referring to our late friend, H. P. McKevitt, being a member of the "Modern Woodman," should have been "Woodmen of the World," regarded as one of the best conducted beneficial organizations in existence.

Among those furnishing "Good Stories" for last Sunday's *Times*, were Harvey G. Ellis, our George's father and an ex-*Record* proof reader in the long ago; Maud S., and John R. Moss, of this Division. The two first mentioned were prize winners.

Comrade David Smith, expert laborer on the "Y," began his annual leave on Tuesday. Notwithstanding his advancing years, having survived the alloted three score years and ten, he is one of the most active old-young men on the floor. He will pass his vacation at his Western home.

On Monday, A. L. Huss received an illustrated postal card from his friend, Joe Gibson, who is travelling through Scotland. "Hot Scotch" MacFarlane was immensely pleased with the Highlanders in their Kilts. "Billy" Lentz thought they were Carlisle Indians. There you go; always kicking up a row in the alley.

Among those granted annual leave this week, beginning on Thursday, are W. Fred. Councill (an extension), E. Douglass King, Frank M. (rule case) Lloyd, C. F. Purdy, Dan L. Sansom (who will visit Harrisburg Home Coming week), and Geo. G. Wilson, recently of the D. C. militia, but later of the Spess.

Our esteemed fellow-laborer, John A. Onyun, Alley 23, a better union man does not live, rubbed up against another milestone on Monday. Father Time has dealt gently with him and he is—no, excuse us, we hand out no State secrets—and has not a single gray hair. May you be spared to have many more birthdays.

Mrs. Ida (Cross) Nicolls has returned from Nebraska and Atlantic City, where she passed her vacation. Of course we all know Mrs. N. For years and years she has furnished printers and other employees feed by day and by night. She has several carloads of friends in the seven story building as well as in the old one.

Sergeant Waller, superintendent of the G street subway, returned on Friday as frisky as a four-year-old. He visited the Soldiers' Home at Hampton, Va., while on his vacation. Jack Burnside remarked "that Simon Pocher bequeathed Waller work in abundance that would keep him busy until the summer would fly."

"Home Coming" or Home Week" up at Harrisburg the first week in October. Several thousand dollars have been subscribed by the citizens for the entertainment of the expected throng, and there is many a former resident of the grand old Capitol City of the Keystone State that attaches his autograph to the G. P. O. pay rolls. There, now.

On Tuesday morning, Karl H. Baker, a former well known employee of the Document Room, was assigned to slug 47—one remove from Phil. Nachman—as a temporary compositor. More than a full dozen of years have come and gone since Karl attached his signature to a G. P. O. pay-roll. What was that about "coming back?" How very few can stay away.

Our old friend, Lieut. R. M. Calhoun, of the watch, attended the Sons of Veteran Encampment at Gettysburg, Pa., last week, and while there took a spin over to Hagerstown. This was his first visit to that city since June, 1861, when he was a member of Company B, Fourth Connecticut Infantry. Do you remember that spin we all took to Hyattsville a few summers ago? Say, didn't that jar you?

Our friend, Geo. F. Montgomery, of Foreman Roberts' Division, has been beset with trouble and sorrow the past month. A few weeks since his youngest son was killed by a train on the Baltimore & Ohio R. R., in sight of his home at Riverdale, Md. On Monday last his father, Capt. Thos. Montgomery, died at the Georgetown Hospital. The sympathy of George's many friends are extended to him in this terrible ordeal to which he has been subjected.

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This week it becomes our sad duty to chronicle the death of one of the best known printers in the office, Thomas Doonan, of the Spess, after a comparatively brief illness. The nature of his ailment baffled his medical attendants, and finally it was determined that he should be subjected to an operation to obtain the expected relief. Accordingly he was taken to Providence Hossital on Friday last, and after being placed under the influence of anesthetics at 7 o'clock, was operated upon, and a growth the size of a cocoanut was removed which had caused the complication of his bowels. Mr. Doonan never recovered, and between 12 and 1 o'clock the same night night passed away.

The subject of this notice first came to Washington in the winter of 1893 from his home city, Columbus, Ohio, where he had learned printing in the *Crisis* office under the foremanship of Samuel Medairy. Mr. Doonan made hosts of friends, having worked in the various Divisions, and for several years past has been on the night side. Our departed friend was possessed of one of those bright, cheerful dispositions that wherever he went all gloom was dispelled. His was the sunlight; yes, alway the bright side of life.

A widow, two daughters and a son, survive. The remains, accompanied by the bereaved family, were taken to Columbus, Ohio, for interment on Sabbath evening at 5 o'clock.

Our friend was in the prime of life, only 54 years of age, and we doubt if he had ever previously lost a single hour from sickness.

Messrs. Chas. E. Young, John R. Berg, Jas. H. Ross, Z T. Jenkins, and T. E. McCardell, his former associates, were the pallbearers.

The profound sympathy of his large circle of friends are extended to the bereaved widow and orphans.

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The current issue of patents is 634; trade-marks 133.

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The best laid schemes of mice and men are oft upset, and then—and then.

The current dues of this Chapel amounted to something over a quarter of a thousand.

Encouraging reports of the eight-hour day must make the type-hot folks think the devil's to pay.

Shelby Smith has met the expectation of friends by endorsing the sentiment, "Our Union, right or wrong."

The Specification Division found it necessary to work only one full Saturday during the season of half holidays.

We folks on Specifications, who are a wee bit partial to good things, enjoy the down town wee notes contributed by "Wee Willie," we do.

A corps of surveyors have subdivided the fifth floor of the new building and driven the stakes to indicate the future location of the Specification Division.

Six of the latest instalment of Lanston keyboards are being put in place in the claims section of the Specification Division for the use of those detailed to learn as operators.

The following named start on leave to-day: Miss Alice Trefts, John B. Sturgis, John A. Handiboe, James A. Morrow, John B. Weitzel, James Greenwood, and W. A. Roberts.

Major Dodge, of the Proof Room, has returned from a three weeks' stay at Atlantic City. This is his third year there and his testimony is that A. C. is the greatest town on earth.

W. A. Roberts, of this Division, and a dweller of Langdon, had the misfortune to lose his smoke house by fire one night last week. He saved in the aggregate two hams and his bacon.

Observing the annual custom, the usual number from this Division broke fast and indulged in a square meal by the ladies of North Capitol Church on Tuesday, when was served one of those famous New England dinners.

Frank McDermott passed the first half of his annual leave along some out of the way fishing stream in Old Virginia. He returns looking better, the result of rest, pure air, and, presumably, a high grade of fishing bait.

The morning hours of last Saturday were saddened by the announcement of the death of our late co-laborer, Thomas Doonan. Then followed a telegram to Miss Mary Blore, bearing the distressing news of the death of her aged mother, and closely upon this a message to Henry Young announcing the sudden death of his sister-in-law in West Virginia.

The death of Thomas Doonan was a severe shock to his many friends of this Division, where he had passed the major part of a faithful service since coming here from Ohio some twelve years ago. Possessed of a cheerful disposition and an abiding interest in his fellow craftsmen, Mr. Doonan enjoyed to a remarkable degree the confidence and respect of a large and appreciative acquaintance.

Jim Brooke has another scheme in hatching which bids fair to outstrip his previous efforts as a revenue raiser. This latest idea suggests the application of a monotype keyboard to be worn upon the breast of mutes, to be thumped and transmit as by speech such information as is for his good. Mr. Brooke thinks the plan feasible and only awaits the consent of the man to be thumped.

There will be no words of protest when the order comes to vacate our present quarters to take the place assigned in the new building; but there will ever remain in memory's chamber the incidents and odd experiences of the old, where familiar figures will certainly pass in review as retrospect dims and as each survivor turns to the "old homestead" on H street and recounts the pleasures and trials of ye olden times or those earlier strenuous days of hand composition—long "befo'" the advent of the machine.

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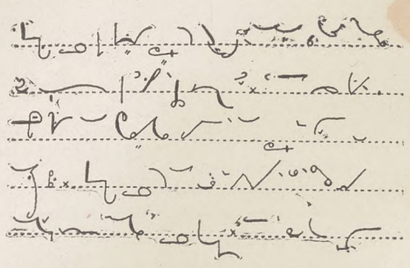
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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

To SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 333 I street s w.

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Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

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The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, First Branch, meets every alternate Monday evening at 610 G street northwest, Building Trades Hall. President, R. R. Rhodes. Financial and Recording Secretary, Fred Hook, 1034 Sixth street northeast. Business Agent, W. F. Gilmore, 624 Sixth street northwest.

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Robert's Reflections.

In my notes of last week appeared an article on the prospect of another industrial war between the United Mine Workers Union and the coal operators, so it will not be out of place to refer to a leading editorial which appeared in Monday's Washington *Times* on the outlook for another strike. The *Times* seems to place the blame on the shoulders of the coal operators. The last paragraph is herewith quoted:

"Sooner than such men think, this kind of greed defeats itself in America. If the people of the country, spurred by this disregard of all their interests, shall take matters in their own hands and endeavor to correct the abuse by legislation so stringent and sweeping as to endanger even the basal rights of mine property, Mr. Baer, Mr. Robbins, and their associates will have only themselves to blame."

One can almost read between the lines.

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The New Jersey Court of Appeals has declared the label law to be unconstitutional. This is a shrewd move on the part of the Manufacturers' Association. If the decision is upheld by the Supreme Court of the State the label can be used by any non union firm who desires to deceive the public, thereby making labor's greatest weapon. When the employers commence to fight the label it is time every union man and woman should have their eyes open to the potency of the label.

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Genius is not made, they say, but born. Scabs are not born but made.

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When a walking delegate is bribed by an unscrupulous employer he is sent to prison for extortion, etc., but our leading financiers of to-day can steal millions of the peoples' money and be looked up to and respected as long as the money lasts.

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In China, the official of a bank who goes wrong is beheaded. Wonder what they do with a Mr. McCall et al.?

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The success of the printers running the eight-hour fight is being watched with much interest by one of the largest trades unions in the country. If the printers win out they say they too are going after the eight-hour day in the near future. Better begin now to husband your resources, brothers, for the International Typographical Union have the eight-hour fight practically won now. Loyalty to those who are chosen to lead us has been very marked in the present struggle the printers are now going through. And that means a great deal.

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At the recent convention of the International Association of Machinists, held in the city of culture, Boston, Mass., the wives of the delegates present gathered and launched a woman's auxiliary, such as the International Typographical Union has. And the machinists have no label to protect, either, such as the public comes in contact with. That makes the movement all the more laudable—they are willing to give a helping hand to those trades that do.

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The Chicago Federation of Labor has just adopted a rule whereby no delegate will be entitled to a seat in that body who does not wear at least four union label articles. In this city the obligation a delegate takes in the Central Labor Union is: "I will support the label of organized labor."

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It is well that Shelby Smith took the advice of certain friends, thereby doing he right thing, instead of dragging the International Typographical Union into court, as some of his advisers suggested.

When an individual joins a union, one of the obligations taken is that he or she will abide by the will of the majority. True, majorities sometimes make mistakes, but how are mistakes to be rectified? Not by one individual refusing to obey the will of the majority. That would be secession, and if tolerated would soon sound the death knell of unionism, for if one man has a right to defy the wish of the majority, why cannot a dozen men? The only proper course for an individual, or one who stands with the minority, to do when they find themselves outvoted is to obey the mandates of the majority until such time when the membership has a chance to again vote on the question.

The International Typographical convention at Toronto may have erred in expelling Mr. Smith, but if they did, Mr. Smith, by bowing gracefully to the expressed wish of the delegates there assembled, can take his case to a higher tribunal than an international Typographical Union convention—the membership at large. If a wrong was committed, the Executive Council will have to "face the music," so to speak, next spring when they come up for reelection.

The great majority of the rank and file of the International Typographical Union can be depended upon to right a wrong if a wrong has been committed, and until the membership at large has a chance to render its verdict by either approving or disapproving of the stand the Executive Council took in the premises, the "Smith case" should be a closed incident.

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Now that F. C. Roberts has become a regular contributor to the columns of THE TRADES UNIONIST, would it not be a good idea for him to tell us what he started to say about a certain UNIONIST writer at a meeting of Columbia Union some time since? At the same time I hope it will result in nothing serious.—*Division Notes.*

No, Mr. Gunn, I will have to pass up your suggestion. A trade paper whose columns are open to writers to vent their personal spite against a brother member is falling far short as to what, in my opinion, a trade paper really ought to be—a forum through which those who care to give expression to their views on the real live questions which interest all of us, and not be made an organ where one man can abuse another. We have had too much of that in our trade papers of late. Such writings never settled a labor dispute or opened up the avenues of new thoughts, or give hope or inspiration to those who are in need of such. It may interest a few readers of this paper to learn what one writer thinks of another, but the great majority of readers of the labor press care very little for such opinions. There are too many perplexing questions which confront the organized workers of to-day which ought to be discussed through the columns of our trade papers in a frank and manly way by those who have ability to write, than to waste their time and space—which could be employed to a much better advantage—in abusing his fellow man. It is safe to say that the rank and file of Columbia Union, 101 (and especially those employed in the G. P. O.), are more interested in the machine proposition which now confronts them—when the officials of the office are quoted as saying that it will necessitate a reduction of thirty per cent. of the regular force, to say nothing of the temporary men who only get the extra work—than they are in what the writer of this thinks of Mr. Bloomer, whether it be good, bad, or different. Let the writers stop their little personal flings and "bouquet throwing," and in its stead tackle some of the economic labor problems, or take up some of the local questions—such as for instance, "Who is to blame for printers not being put on the casters when machines were first put in the G. P. O., the proposed pension question by the International Typographical Union, and the thirty days' leave with pay, which means *thirty* days," and several other questions which may be mentioned later. Articles on those lines may and will redound to the benefit of the union, but personal abuse never.

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There is no better opportunity than now for the members of the Women's Auxiliary of Columbia Union, No. 101, to do a little missionary work in the interest of the label. In visiting the stores see that the printers label is on the paper in which the purchase is wrapped in.

The writer asked a merchant the other day why he did not have the printers label on his wrapping paper, and his reply was, "Oh, that was printed out of town. All the work we have done here bears the label."

What a bluff, to be sure. Members of the Auxiliary No. 13, in purchasing articles ask for the label, demand it, and a thousand underpaid men, women and children will bless you in their prayers.

The women's auxiliaries of the various labor organizations can do a world of good for their less fortunate sisters, many of whom are compelled to work long hours for little pay, grinding out their very lives in the sweatshop and tenement houses in our large industrial cities, by demanding the union label on what they purchase.

Poverty breeds crime, and who can tell how many have fallen by the wayside on account of not being able to earn enough to keep one's self.

If the merchant says he does not know where he can get labeled goods, refer him to the officers of the American Federation of Labor, whose headquarters are in Typographical Temple in this city, and don't be afraid to tell him that the label is a guarantee that the article is not the product of the "open shop," which is the first cousin to the "sweat shop," but it represents living wages, reasonable hours, and sanitary conditions.

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday evening by President McCarthy.

On motion, the privilege of the floor was granted to P. H. Scullin, secretary and manager of the National Industrial Peace Association. Mr. Scullin outlined the work he had in hand in a brief address and requested that a committee be appointed to assist him in a meeting to be held in Typographical Temple, Friday, October 6, 1905, at 8 p. m. The request was granted and the Educational Committee instructed to take the matter in charge.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Amalgamated Carpenters, First Branch: W. A. Smith, Fred Hook, G. A. Adams, W. T. Phillips, and Fred Parks.

Engineers, No. 99: L. W. Locke, vice M. S. Godfrey.

Bills amounting to $100 were read and ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The call for the twenty-fifth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor was read. After some discussion over the advisability of having a delegate elected for the convention the matter went over to next meeting.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Amalgamated Carpenters, No. 808: Requested that Columbia Typographical Union be notified that J. M. Himes, 3 H street northwest, proprietor of an eating house opposite the Government Printing Office, had his place refitted by nonunion labor.

Columbia Typographical Union: Under call of this union Delegate Winslow stated that the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers in convention had indorsed the efforts of the International Typographical Union to obtain an eight-hour day. By request the secretary read the following:

Whereas the International Typographical Union has ordered a general strike for the eight-hour day; this is something that we all believe in; its members in various parts of the country are now on strike for the enforcement of the same; and be it

Resolved, That we, the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, in convention assembled, most heartily endorse the action of the Typographical Union in its struggle for a shorter work-day; and be it further

Resolved, That we tender our hearty cooperation and support to the Typographical Union in this struggle.

A copy of these resolutions to be forwarded to the headquarters of the International Typographical Union, also spread on the minutes of our meeting and given to the press.

On motion the Central Labor Union indorsed the action of the International Typographical Union in its contention for an eight-hour day, and extending to them our moral support.

Carpet Mechanics: That Peter Grogan Co. was still on the unfair list and requested the support of organized labor in their fight.

Hod Carriers: That the foreman of the A. B. Stannard Co. had obeyed the orders of the firm and had employed union men, but that the foreman had been discharged and the new foreman was employing nonunion men. The delegate requested that the secretary notify Mr. Stannard of the condition of affairs at the new Department of Agriculture building. The request was granted.

Horse Shoers: That they had been on strike since May last. They requested that S. S. Gaines, rear of 1448 P street northwest, be placed on the unfair list. On favorable report from the Grievance Committee the request was granted.

Musicians: That at a meeting of that union on Sunday last they had elected a new president. They called attention to Kernan Theater being still on the unfair list.

Machinists: That the recent convention of the International Association of Machinists, held at Boston, Mass., had indorsed the action of the International Typographical Union in its efforts to secure an eight-hour day.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Label Committee presented a proposition asking for publication of list of union-made articles that can be found on sale in this city. On motion the committee was directed to advertise the label and expense to be borne by Central Labor Union.

A prolonged discussion followed relative to advisability of advertising the label goods in daily papers not bearing the label.

A point of order being made that the matter carried with it an appropriation, and the hour for making appropriations having passed, no action could be had.

The chair ruled the point of order not well taken.

An appeal from decision of the chair being made, the chair was sustained.

Delegate Ring presented a proposition for indorsement of the Central Labor Union to publish a small booklet quarterly giving a directory of unions and secretaries addresses, together with a list of stores selling union-made goods and complying with union hours of closing, and such other information as will aid in advancing the sale of union-made goods.

The proposition was indorsed.

A motion to indorse F. C. Mattingly for judge of police court was made a special order of business for 9 o'clock on next meeting night.

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The vote on the propositions submitted to the referendum by the Toronto convention will be taken on Wednesday, October 11.

Chairmen are instructed to take up the vote and deliver same to the election board at the Temple between 12 and 6 p. m., when polls will be open at the Secretary's Chapel.

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AN ENJOYABLE SMOKER.

Bookbinders Union, No. 4, Gives a Novel Entertainment.

Last Tuesday evening Bookbinders Union, No. 4, entertained its members and a number of invited guests at a smoker and entertainment at Typographical Temple.

Refreshments were served during the evening and the committee in charge made an effort to see that the guests of the evening were supplied with all the goods on hand.

After a short business session the evening's entertainment opened with an address from the veteran member, Dr. Daniel McFarlan, after which a program rendered by members of the Union was carried out.

President Samuel Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, made one of his short epigrammatic addresses full of hope and cheer for organized labor, and commended the Bookbinders for the progressive spirit shown by their organization in the labor movement.

Among those who aided in the entertainment of the guests were the following: Charles McEnaney, T. M. Hardy, W. B. Hyde, Wm. Holt, F. W. Seybold, H. R. Perry, Henry Heinhold, Julius Hulling, Arthur Bryden, George Hickey, Thomas Brown, T. B. Esperon, Bernard Spellbring, Carl C. Nehus, J. A. Wiedman, and J. J. Sibre.

G. P. O. BOWLING LEAGUE.

The Government Printing Office Bowling League finished its second week at ten pins. From the interest shown by the various bowlers during the past two weeks, no doubt the season will be successful. Below is a record of the standing of the different teams, which shows the Moroccos in the lead. Allen, of the Aldines, leads in individual average, with McCarthy and Carey, second and third respectively. Allen also made the remarkable score of 267 during the week, which, no doubt, will stand a long time, perhaps during all season.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS.

	W.	L.	P.ct.
Moroccos	6	0	1,000
Aldines	6	3	.666
Cow-Boys	4	2	.666
Index	4	2	.666
Foundry	4	5	.444
Commercials	5	7	.416
Reserves	1	5	.166
Pressmen	0	6	.000

MEMBERS STANDING.

Name.	G.	Pins.	Av.
Allen	9	1670	185.5
McCarthy	6	1070	178.2
Carey	9	1582	175.7
Fitzwilliam	9	1553	172.5
O'Connell	9	1546	171.7
Conroy	6	1013	168.5
Addison	9	1509	167.6
Herbeck	6	1001	166.5
Walsh	6	995	165.6
Dwyer	9	1482	164.6
Brown	9	1476	164
Spaeth	9	1471	163.4
Richards	6	981	163.3
Clark	9	1488	163.1
Glade	6	973	162.1
Williams	9	1448	160.8
Childress	6	959	159.5
Crump	6	957	159.3
Duffy	3	475	158.1
Norbeck	4	573	157.2
Hoiby	6	935	155.5
Holt	9	1357	150.7
McAloon	3	450	150
Cross	6	897	149.3
Niehus	3	444	148
Spence	3	442	147.1
Arnold	6	880	146.4
Powers	6	870	145
Hoffman	3	434	144.2
Wuesthoff	6	862	143.4
Nachman	4	575	143
Nevils	2	289	144.1
Splann	5	710	142
Schulze	6	878	146.2
McFayden	5	708	141.3
Burkhardt	6	848	141.2
Lednum	6	840	140

Peace Association Meeting.

To-morrow (Friday) evening, at Typographical Temple, at 8 o'clock, a meeting will be held in the interest of the formation of a local society of the Industrial Peace Association.

P. H. Scullin, an old-time worker in the labor movement, principally on the Pacific Coast, will deliver an address outlining a plan of action that will lead up to the advocacy of compulsory investigation and voluntary arbitration in labor disputes.

Mr. Scullin has interested business men and large employers of labor all over the country in his plan and will have representatives from several civic organizations of this city present to give recognition to the movement.

Everybody welcome.

Personal Mention.

Paul J. Maas, recently of the Chicago *Recor-dHerald*, where he covered the labor news on that paper, is in the city. Mr. Maas will stay here this winter.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Foremen Charley Robinson, M. A. Lynch, and Chief Clerk Jesse B. K. Lee, accompanied by their ladies, spent Saturday in Philadelphia as witnesses to the launching of the armored battleship *Mississippi*, as the special guests of the contractors, Messrs. Cramp & Sons.

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By the way, I have a good joke on Foreman Lynch:

Several weeks ago Foreman Lynch and Quarterman Burns, accompanied by their wives and small son of the former couple, concluded that a few days recreation at Colonial Beach would be the proper thing.

Several days previous to their departure they notified the proprietor of one of the hotels of their contemplated visit, with a proviso that if they did not come on a certain day the contract for quarters would be declared void.

Something transpired to prevent them going on the day set forth, but the next day found them at the summer resort.

As usual, on such occasions, as soon as the boat landed the son of Lynch separated from the rest of the company and it was several hours before he was found. When discovered, he was at the hotel sitting on the veranda awaiting his parents.

Inquiry at the office brought out the fact that the rooms engaged had been secured by others while the parents were searching for the boy.

Every cottage, far and near, was visited, but no rooms could be had.

Night was coming on, and as a last resort they again visited the hotel to be informed that there was one room only that could be had and it was in the garret, to be reached by a ladder. Now, both ladies are in the heavy weight class, so you can imagine their feelings, but any port in a storm, so up they went like sailors, taking the boy with them while pater familias enjoyed themselves promenading the boardwalk until morning.

It is safe to say they returned the next day.

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As a rule I do not believe in free advertisement, but sometimes it is well to break the order of things.

There is one thing that I want the Union men in the Yard to consider, not for the moment and then cast the thought aside, but a deep and lasting consideration: That the firm of Bieber-Kaufman Co., clothiers and outfitters to men, whose business place is Eighth and Eye streets southeast, is deserving of your patronage.

Why?

Because they conduct a "strictly Union store" and employ Union clerks, and handle nothing but goods having the Union label whenever that label can be secured.

Can I say more of such people?

Recently we have had trouble in securing collars and cuffs with the Union label, but this wide-awake firm have even gone into these small details, and they have removed from their counters all non-Union goods of this character and replaced them with Union goods.

Give them a call, boys, and you will be perfectly satisfied.

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OUR BOYS.

Recently I read an article entitled, "What must we do with our girls?" Later I discovered an answer by some one, who said: "Provide them with suitable husbands when they arrive at the proper age.

But I have a more serious proposition: "What must we do with our boys after school hours?" This question has been brought about by several incidents that have recently come under my observation.

It does not take a deep thinker to understand that it is a part of a healthy boy's life to romp and enjoy himself in recreation, such as base ball and other innocent amusements.

The question is, "Where must they go for that amusement?" To play in the streets or alleys is both dangerous and improper, I must admit. But I cannot understand why the vacant lots or the smaller squares called parks are denied them.

I do not know the conditions that exist in other sections of the city, but I do know that it is almost impossible for a youngster to engage in any innocent amusement as enumerated in certain sections of East Washington, for fear of being pounced upon by one of the "gum shoe" guardians of the peace and taken to the lockup to answer to charges that have an existence only in the brain of the officer who is seeking an advancement by the numerous arrests he makes during the year.

I know well that there are many officers who are the soul of honor, and who would not for an instant tolerate the thought of falsely charging a prisoner simply to make a record.

Policemen who are fathers will understand a boy's nature and inclinations, and seldom is it found recorded that they are the ones who run from a fight between two men, but who are always present to arrest a small boy for a trifling offense, and then arrange within his own mind a different and a more serious charge by the time he reaches the station.

The class to which I refer are those who never had the arms of a loving boy around their necks and forget that they were youngsters themselves not very long ago—men who are always absent when they should be present—men who flee from danger, but delight in driving the small boy from his home locality where he is under the eye of an anxious mother, to scenes and incidents that are forerunners to those things that make our boys criminals in place of honest men.

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Owing to the rush it has become necessary to again establish the third shift of men, which was abandoned several months ago. By doing this the shops will run continuously the whole of the twenty-four hours. I understand there is a difference of opinion among the heads of the several departments as to the advisability of the third shift so far as being advantageous to the Government, and in expediting the work.

There are two ways to look at this matter—one from a sentimental, the other from a practical standpoint. Large corporations have tried both plans, and in all cases have abandoned the third shift as being practicably worthless, and have adopted the two shift system.

In all cases where the three shift system has been in vogue it has been discovered that it is almost impossible for three men, one following the other, each with his own individual ideas as to how the work should be done, to accomplish results expected.

The claim is made, and with some justice, that there is too much time lost by one workman in trying to find where the other had stopped, or in other words connecting the threads.

Again it is claimed with equal justice that when three men are employed on a piece of work, often mistakes occur and it is a difficult task to fully establish the fact who of the three is responsible. Corporations wish for profit alone, and for that reason they have abandoned the third shift as not being profitable.

It is claimed by the majority of the supervising force in the Yard that better results would be obtained and the Government the gainer, if, instead of three shifts of eight hours each, that two shifts of twelve hours be established. To do this, however, it would be necessary that the Secretary of the Navy certify that it was a case of emergency to comply with the law. It would also be the means of adding to the wage of the mechanic, as under the law all work done on and above eight hours would be an additional 50 per cent.; or in other words the Government would be compelled to pay the price of fourteen hours for twelve hours work. Notwithstanding this increase I am informed that the supervising force are almost unanimous on this proposition as the cheapest and most economical to the Government, both as to time and money—and they base their calculations from precedents established during the late unpleasantness with Spain.

On the other side it is claimed by trades unionists that the Government does not expect any profit from its employees, over and above an honest day's work of eight hours, and by adopting the two shift system of twelve hours each, notwithstanding the fact that the workmen would be allowed the additional 50 per cent, it would be establishing a dangerous precedent—particularly at a time when trades unionists throughout the country are endeavoring to secure eight hours for a legal day's work.

It is also claimed and justly too, that if the three shifts are maintained, it will be the means of more mechanics being employed in the Naval Gun Factory which will necessarily reduce the surplus on the outside and make conditions that much better in the interest of the short day cause.

It is a question, however, for Secretary Bonaparte to solve, and in which we must accept no matter what may be our opinion.

TIM TICKLE.

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

C. E. Groome returns from Sea Girt, L. I., with a heavy gold medal setting forth his prowess as a marksman in the American Rifle Association.

For cabalistic characters in the designation of his milk patrons 'Manuel Thomas has the American Indian veritably skinned. On this subject he is peculiarly reticent, but it is learned, however, through competent observers, that if the purchaser is stoop-shouldered 'Manuel draws an upright stroke with a bend near the top; if curleyhaired, then the stroke with the top made bushy. "You haven't got anything against me this time, have you, 'Manuel?" asked one. "Oh, yes, I is. Dat little square down dare in de corner; dat's you," was his reply.

A departmental revise in the First Division marks a line "h. c." That's easy; high case, in contradistinction to "l. c., lower case."

Three new words added to my vocabulary, to which you are welcome. The New York *Herald* refers to R. Fulton Cutting as "ricaresque;" the Philadelphia *Telegraph* uses "penetrale" in its extermination of the Quaker City grafters, and one of my female acquaintances, whose comradeship 'twere a pleasure to own, in a burst of confidence, alludes to the multiplicity of her "heart-scalds." Aye, there's a word with force. A woman's emotion finds vent in tears, but a man is seared with the "heart-scalds."

John Euler and myself compared our limited monotype keyboard experience. The instructor tells him he might just as well cut his thumbs off. When I carried my board, some months since, over to the office of a local typewriter company for practice, I found I could not get my fingers down as rapidly as I desired, so I left them remain poised in that position for the next time that letter occurred and played rat-tat-tat on the lower line with my right thumb. "Oh, you mustn't use your thumbs," espostulated the lady at my elbow. "Why, Mr. Stubbs says to use your thumbs," was my response. Wonder if she thought I was going to lose time carrying my hand across the board when I had a thumb lying there idle to hit it with?

The *Woman's Home Companion* you see on the newsstand is the output of the Crowell Printing Company, Springfield, Ohio, who are advertising for strikebreakers.

William Fuhrman brings in this one, illustrative of how "the printer pays it all."

His wife, looking for a habitation, approached the agent of the flats just building near First, M, and New York avenue.

He was indifferent about showing them to her, remarking, "I know they are too high-priced for you. We are building them to rent to people in the Printing Office."

A most commendable move on the part of the G. P. O. management was the designation of a physician for the daily needs of that institution, and Dr. Manning's painstaking attention to the duties thereof proves the selection a wise one.

H. S. SUTTON.

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NOTICE.

This office will close at 1 o'clock p. m. on Saturdays and 5 o'clock p. m. other days during the week.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

Except the professional strike breaker, who does not work for the ordinary wages of the trade whose strike he helps to break and no longer than is necessary to accomplish that result, and the professional "scab," who is such either from incompetence, ignorance, or moral degeneracy—a hatred of workingmen—there are few who would ever enlist to break a strike if they knew who their associates would be and what treatment they would be accorded by their employers. As a specimen of the former, the following is going the rounds of the labor press:

Leroy Scott, in *World's Work*, has an article on the New York subway strike. He joined Farley's strike breakers in order to get information from the "inside" for his article. He says Farley told his men that they were wanted for a new line to be opened up, thus showing the duplicity practiced by such characters as Farley. Mr. Scott says further, referring to the strike breaker as a hero:

"The strike-breaker is often regarded as a hero, fighting upon principle against unionism. There may be such strike-breakers, but during my study of them, which lasted through this strike, I failed to find one. There was practically no strong anti-union feeling among the strike-breakers—even among Farley's regulars. 'We're after the coin'—that was the common principle that made them strike-breakers. * * * The majority * * * were very much ashamed of what they were doing; they regarded strike-breaking as low work; they felt that they had sunk in undertaking it even temporarily. * * * A number of the more respectable looking of Farley's regulars, with whom I talked concerning the quality of the strike-breakers, said that about half the men—one said 60 per cent—were a 'tough outfit.' * * * I estimated that two-thirds of the men engaged in breaking the strike were either undependable, incompetent, or of bad character—utterly unfit for employment involving the safety of human life."

The following letter from a strike-breaking innocent in our present eight-hour strike, demonstrates some truths worth remembering:

CHICAGO, ILL., *September 4, 1905.*

N. C. O'CONNOR, Minneapolis, Minn.:

Dear Sir: Some time ago I got a letter from you asking me to join the union and telling me not to respond to the advertisements for non-union help. I did not take your advice, and here I am in Chicago without a friend and without a dollar.

I answered the Chicago advertisement and was given a situation and promised $19.50 per week. I went to work and after three days they came and told me that they could only pay me $16 per week, and the second week they said I was only worth $12 and that was all I could get. Now they make me work 10 and 11 hours, and I would give 10 years of my life if I were back in the country.

If anyone wants to know what this non-union business is, let them ask me. Tell anyone inquiring that it is nothing but slavery here. As soon as I get money enough I will go back to Minnesota and join your union.

Jessie Brooks, of Anoka, is in town.

EUGENE E. MORTON.

P. S.—They take your railroad fare out of your wages at the rate of $3 per week. You don't get that free transportation.

This letter contains no news as to the way innocent strike breakers—those who are lead into the strike-breaking business by advertisements—are treated. It is never the intention of their employers to retain them any longer than necessary to break the strike and get union men back on the employers' terms. There are no available "rats" in the country whom any employer would ever contemplate retaining permanently. The ignorant country boy is sometimes induced to go to work in an office on strike, and the treatment meted out to him when they get him into a strange city and without money is shown in Morton's letter above. They take care to keep his wages so low and to mulct him in different ways of the little he does get as to keep him in a penniless condition and at their mercy until they no longer have need for him, when he is kicked out.

Of course neither of the classes of strike breakers described above—and they are the only kinds there are—contains the strike breaker whom President Eliot, of Harvard, a year or two attemped to glorify as a hero. He no doubt had in his mind a strong, lusty young man, swelling with indignation at the wrongs being heaped on the employer by the trades union—a man whose sense of justice would never permit him to belong to a union or who broke away from one because of its iniquities—who hurls defiance in the face of Wrong and flings aloft the banner of Right and Reduced Wages. If there were any way to make such as Professor Eliot understand that the strike breaker is either a conscienceless adventurer or an ignorant country boy (excepting, of course, foreigners imported for the purpose of great occasions) he might revise his judgment were it not that he has expressed himself and must stand by what he said in his ignorance; for there are few who are more ignorant of the practical things of life than the university professor.

The professional strike breaker is a hero of the same class as the well-poisoner, the spotter, the blackmailer, and the procurer of women, receiving and entitled to the same respect.

Here is another letter showing the bad faith of the employers when they get an unfortunate in their clutches:

CHICAGO, ILL., *September 25, 1905.*

MR. WRIGHT, Pres. Chicago Typo. Union, City:

Dear Sir: I take the liberty of asking your assistance in a matter which, while of not a very vital matter to you and your organization, is of a very important nature to those printers who are wholly dependent on what they earn. I had a small plant in New York which to be frank was not a paying investment, and being desirous of giving it up I answered an adv. of R. R. Donnelly, whose reply was so inviting that I immediately sold my plant and broke up my home to come to work for said firm under golden opportunities which, upon arrival, were soon shattered to pieces. However, I do not know whether this would be of any interest to you, so will proceed with my request.

The letter which I received from said firm, as you will see, plainly states that upon my arrival, if the least competent, transportation would be refunded. I have repeatedly asked for same and was told by one Mr. Littell, a credit clerk, whom I understand has charge of the employing during your strike, that I should send in a bill to him and he would see that the same would be settled. Now to be concise it cost me $45 to get here, and the bill I sent in to the firm was for $18, which, when taken into consideration, was quite a modest one. On Saturday last I again appealed to this Mr. Littell and his reply was: "You are discharged," giving no reason for same, and something which has not occured to me in many years.

Surely it could not have been incompetence, for I have never been told so from foreman or anyone else, and as I have been used in making-up and in the job end. I have concluded that my money to be refunded is lost unless I take some action to recover and therefore take this means of appealing to you for assistance in this matter. The cause is not my cause alone. Printerdom at large demands that its interests be taken care of irrespective of their being in your ranks. The non-union printer of to-day may be the card man of tomorrow and for that reason alone I ask your assistance.

The conditions of their plant are such as no man, I care not how competent he be, can turn out up-to-date work as it should be. I have time and again called the attention of the foreman to the cases which were all mixed up and those few which were not mixed were short of sorts. Under those conditions you may well imagine how men are asked to work. In making up on "The House Beautiful" it was much easier to set a stick of straight matter than to look around the shop for it and which could not be found. In conclusion I hope you will view this matter as I do and help to do justice where justice is due.

Yours respectfully,

A. LINCOLN GRABFELDER.

The treatment accorded the two men whose letters are given above demonstrates what I have often held—that no one so thoroughly despises the "rat" or "scab" as the man who employs him. The letter also show that the employer of the "rat" is willing to resort to the smallest meanness in order to swindle him. It is only in the union of his trade that a workingman can hope for justice, for it is safe to say that an employer mean enough to employ "rats" is mean enough to rob them.

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Every once in a while somebody favors me with a copy of a Socialist paper. The most of those I have seen remind me of a termagant woman, consisting principally of extraordinary and extravagant statements, set out in short paragraphs, largely in shrieking capital letters. If anything exists, they are "agin it;" if anything is impossible, they are for it. Failing to agree among themselves, they denounce each other as imposters and counterfeits. If a Socialist proposition comes from any other source, they oppose it as not Socialism, as in the case of municipal ownership in Chicago, where they wasted their votes on a separate ticket. Like the Prohibitionists, they fight all moves in their direction because they want "the whole hog or none." Trades unionism, though a species of Socialism, as are all associations of individuals to accomplish a common purpose, does not meet their approbation, and many of them seek to hamper it and all of them belittle it. Impractical, wanting some indefinite thing, no two of them wanting the same thing, but all equally insistent, with their screaming "caps" and their jerky paragraphs they only excite ridicule and disgust. Whatever there is of socialism to come is many years off, and these common scolds are not hastening its arrival.

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Last Monday Chairman John J. Ottinger, of the Annex Proof Room, received a letter from I. Walter Sharp making proper apology for the indignity he had put upon the chapel by addressing a letter to a member of it referring to the room where employed as "record proof room."

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"I have seen the rarebit dream pictures in the *Times*," said Dr. John F. Atkinson, "but they are tame and flatulent compared with an experience of mine a few nights ago. I had been drinking Swampoodle corn whisky, moderately, of course, early in the evening, and later, as is my custom, went down in the city to get some crabs and beer, of which I partook moderately also. Some time during the night I had a dream. I thought I was standing on a balcony on the seventh floor of the North Capitol street end of the Government Printing Office. Soon I discovered a Methodist preacher whom I knew by my side. Back of us, with its head at a window, was a monstrous great snake, and as it licked out its tongue at the preacher the latter put out his hands toward the snake and said, 'Get thee behind me!' The snake's body extended down the stairways clear to the bottom. We walked fearlessly down the stairs, and when we got to the bottom there were ten beautiful young ladies, all in white, holding the snake by the tail, and they had prevented it from reaching us while we were on the balcony. My faith in whisky, especially corn whisky, as a preventive of harm from snakes is strengthened rather than diminished."

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A couple of weeks ago Frank D. Smith, of the Annex Proof Room; Will Burchfield, of the Third Division, and "Shorty" Huss, of the First, were spending some time at Chesapeake Beach. To get to the Old Beach they took a rowboat, and in order to properly "trim" the boat it became necessary for Huss to take off his shoes. During the voyage Smith knocked one of them overboard and it immediately sank to the bottom, where it remains, a peril to navigation. For the remainder of the outing Huss was compelled to go barefoot, and his objurgations because of broken glass, thorns, and splinters would have appalled a less seasoned crew. Finally he succeeded in getting a pair of canvas pumps, so long that he had to lead the party in their rambles along the cowpaths or stay so far in the rear as to be out of earshot, in which he came home, having to board the railroad coach backwards.

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Last Sunday I called to see Sonny Gunn's son. He was sleeping just as naturally as his father does while waiting for a call from a distressed linotyper. Otherwise he appears to be a fine, healthy child. Bearing no resemblance whatever to his father, he has a chance of being handsome. Likewise intelligent. Perhaps an ornament to society. And some good in the world. I wish I had half a dozen like him. Properly spaced.

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The attendance at the meeting of the Ex-Delegates' Association last Sunday was small, but very select. The business transacted was in proportion to the attendance, and chiefly related to resolutions on the death of members. The entertainment committee was ordered to set the table for doings early in November. In order to make future meetings possible, the number necessary to make a quorum was reduced from 15 to 7. And that was about all except some executive business. The next meeting will be in January. But that is another story.

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Last Sunday was the 1st of October. Likewise a blazing hot day. A friend of mine went out for a walk. He wore his straw hat. He generally wears what he pleases. When he can afford it. He found a party of four whom he knew, lolling in the shade of a building, each with a black derby hat.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!" they cried in chorus as he approached.

"What are you booming?" he asked.

"That straw hat of yours. The gun went off on the 15th of September," he was told.

"Where are you vests?" he inquired.

"Too hot for vests," said one.

"Where are your overcoats?" he asked.

"I haven't taken the pawn ticket for mine out of moth balls yet," said another.

"Have you put on your heavy underwear yet?" he asked.

"Not for several weeks to come," said a third.

"Are not low-necked shoes and piebald socks called in?" was his next inquiry.

"Not till the beautiful begins to sift down," said the fourth.

"But straw hats are?"

"Yep."

"Why?"

They hesitated.

"Because some calf brained idiots are told so by the any-hat-in-the-window-for-99-cents hatters?" he asked. "Because the foam-minded brokers in some stock exchange have such a rule? Because dudes with brainpans filled with whey say so? Any other reasons?"

They didn't say.

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My friend, the Marquis De Lafayette Shrope, of the Easton (Pa.) *Journal*, takes a fall out of Will M. Maupin, of the Lincoln (Nebr.) *Wageworker*, on the "scalp-hunting" insinuations of the latter, regarding the Executive Council, winding up vividly, as follows:

In the issue of September 8 the *Wageworker* takes occasion to rap the editor of the Easton *Journal* in reference to the vote in the I. T. U. convention on the Shelby Smith case, and says that the excuse we offered for not signing the protest which appeared in the Toronto *World* should have made us blush.

Just here we wish to say that William M. Maupin, sober, and Bill Maupin, otherwise, are two interesting personages. Bill can tell the truth occasionally, but there are times and conditions when he would much rather do the opposite.

The excuse we put up to Maupin and Moore, when they came with a rush and asked us to sign the protest, was that we objected to the language used in the protest, and if Bill Maupin states that we had any other excuse he deliberately lies. We hope this is plain enough, and Bill can come our way on a scalp hunt as soon as he finds it convenient to do so.

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T. Jeff McGovern, well known throughout the Western country for the past quarter of a century, died suddenly in Chicago recently.

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Titus F. Ellis is doing a ripping business in souvenir post cards at his Mount Vernon Station news stand, 1202 Pennsylvania avenue, his cards covering Alexandria and Mount Vernon as well as Washington objects of interest. He had one order for 500 of the picture of the Alexandria Masonic Lodge room.

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Among "Socialist Papers I Have Known" I recently saw one in which there was a column of screams in caps that the Chicago Typothetae had organized a school to make girls linotype operators, and suggesting that this disaster might have been avoided if we had become Socialists. Typographical news from Chicago is to the effect that the girls were such failures that the machines are left dark and the little work that is being done is being done by hand.

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Why are Ex-Delegates' Associations failures under ordinary conditions? For the same reason that Women's Auxiliaries are either failures or but half successes. Because their work is entirely unselfish—entirely for others. There is nothing in particular that the members can do for their own immediate interest, though of course they are benefited indirectly. The Woman's Auxiliary is intended primarily to aid husbands engage in bread-gathering—principally to see that union men's money is invested in union products. The Ex-Delegates' Association works—when it has any work to do—for the whole union, and except on great occasions it has no well-defined duties. There is no especial bond of sympathy between individual ex-delegates. And unfortunately, the same is true of the members of the Woman's Auxiliary. Under such circumstances it is easy to understand why there is so little virility in either. How would it do to consolidate and merge them?

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A former prominent Western Woman's Auxiliarist is angry because she thinks she is not given sufficient credit as one of the organizers of that institution. I hope the ladies will not make us sorry that it ever was organized.

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THEATERS.

CHASE'S THEATER.

Blanch Sloan and James Walthour give a thrilling exhibition of bicycle riding and jockeying at Chase's this week which will move the blood of any sluggard.

Clay Clements in "The Barons Love Story" is one of the most pleasing features about the bill, although the theater-going public are not familiar enough with German to understand it as they would one in their own tongue.

Mr. Max Waldon, in female impersonations, Jack Gardner in his usual black face act, the Carrolls in an acrobatic turn, and Theo Julian, who sang all the latest popular music on bells, were the features which served to divert the minds from every day life.

COLUMBIA THEATER.

Minnie Seligman and William Bramwell scored a decided hit at the Columbia in their first presentation of "The Dragon Fly" last Monday night. The company was well received by a large audience and the principals were encored time and time again.

NATIONAL THEATER.

"Higgledy Piggledy" and the "College Widower," two burlesques with an all-star cast, Joe Weber in the lead, serves to show the merry side of life at the National this week, where it has a very pleasing effect on the audience.

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FIRST DIVISION.

Password—S, S and G.

R. L. Townsend is still on the sick list.

Philip didn't labor on Saturday, even if it was the last half holiday.

Colonel Dailey denies all those "Byrd" House stories down at the Beach.

During the week the big quartette from alley 6 got eight hours on the *Gazette*.

Chas. A. Morgan reported for work on Monday, after enjoying his annual leave.

Beware, oh beware of "resignation" whiskey, it will get you in all kinds of trouble.

Chairman Templar and George Brietenbach started on their annual leave on Monday.

Messrs. Evarts, Holland, Kane, and Covert returned to work on Friday at the expiration of their leave.

Friend Ketner has returned to day work. You know he is one of the efficient "gold" elevator conductors.

The second anniversary of our removal in the new building was appropriately celebrated by this chapel.

Friend Dickman is still on the sick list. Trust to record his speedy return to the office. Cheer up, John.

Geo. H. Albertson, W. C. Jordan, and John A. Onyun have been granted leave beginning Thursday, October 5.

On Monday Wiley H. Davis returned to work, after a sixty days leave of absence. Congratulations are in order.

Did you stop to think that this was the tenth month of 1905? The older you are the more quickly the time passes.

Owing to the death of his wife's mother, Geo. H. Ball was summoned to his home in Portland, Me., on Thursday last.

Remember that for the next nine months you can be served with noon-day lunch on Saturday same as any other day.

W. M. Leavitt, in charge of the "Y," reported for work, after a vacation of twenty-three days, on Saturday morning.

Capt. B. P. Entriken, of the time room, has returned from his Denver trip much improved in health and appearance.

By the return of Col. Tom Daily, of the "centre press" on Monday, October 2, Voler V. Viles has returned to his former work.

"Heidey"—everybody knows him—was the recipient of a handsome New Year's card on the first day of the Hebrew New Year, Rosh-Hashonah.

Chairman Templar, Fred. J. Orth, and Colonel Bentz, of this Division, are up at Harrisburg, taking in "Old Home Week." Only once in a life time.

Certainly—an employee who has been reported "sick" and unable to return and take advantage of the Saturday half-holiday, must be "sure enough" sick.

The momentous, absorbing question, "When will night work begin?" is heard on every hand. The Rumor Committee thus far has not been able to solve the query.

Our foreman, A. W. Bowen, is now a citizen of "Bloomingdale," Chas. E. Young, Mayor, and Hon. Patrick A. Walsh, Acting Mayor Mr. Bowen resides at No. 4 Quincy street northeast.

A trio of well-known members of this chapel returned to work on Monday after a delightful six days' outing—Haworth, Morgan and Waterman, of the "William" end of the room.

A note expressive of the heartfelt appreciation of the beautiful floral tribute of the members of the night force to their late fellow workman, Thomas Doonan, has been received by the family.

The well-known correspondent of the Sixth called around at lunch time the other day. Charley will make a cracker-jack run for delegate next year, all conflicting reports to the contrary, notwithstanding.

In the absence of Geo. H. Ball, "Billy" Lentz, of Columbus, Ohio, has been in charge of the "Ringers." He says "he was so busy on Saturday could not find time to take a long breath." An affidavit don't go with this.

"Sym," dear uninitiated reader, is not an abbreviation of the word sympathy. Blessed, yea, thrice blessed is the man, or woman, either, for that matter, who knows little of the "sym." Still a "friend in need is a friend indeed."

With the sounding of the whistle at 1 o'clock Saturday last, the Saturday half-holiday for the present season has ended. Certainly had rare good luck, the being a grand total of 13 Saturdays, July to September 30, inclusive.

The two accessions to this Division on Monday morning were V. B. Pinkston, transferred from the Navy Branch, reassigned to his old slug (17), and Thomas R. Puckett, reinstated. The last named compositor resigned in December, 1904. He will write slug 31.

Reader, did you ever stop to think that the G. P. O. is much like a huge family. There are, necessarily, varying views, but very few discordant Divisions on matters and men, and thus, in the main, harmony prevails. In sincerity we can join in singing "We are a band of brothers."

"Doctor" Goodman, the well-known electrical helper, was around on Saturday attending to the electric lights, whereupon the Rumor Committee went into an overtime executive session and decided it was an "*itabi* tip" that the night force would be organized on or before Monday, December 4.

After a seventeen days' leave of absence, Geo. W. Thornton, one of the most obliging elevator conductors down front, returned to duty on Monday. But, generally speaking, all the elevator conductors are first-class young men; perhaps the patrons of the elevators are more or less rude and boisterous at times. Gentlemanly conduct is always desirable.

Well nigh all the printers who labor under the roof of this great building knew genial, jovial Tom Doonan, who died recently; a kindlier soul never moved along the ways of earth. He belonged to a brotherhood of kingly men. Living he was not unmindful of those dependent upon him and left them a certificate in the National Union for $2,000. He was a member of Mount Vernon Council.

Everybody will sympathize with David Pollock, of the Second Division, in the series of misfortunes that has shadowed him in later times. Just after he regained his own health one of his boys was attacked with typhoid fever. Last week his young daughter was stricken with diphtheria. The family is in Atlanta, Ga. We all hope that the cloud with the silver lining may very soon envelope Dave.

As a matter of information relative to the G. P. O. Immediate Relief Association, we would state that there has been but three deaths since the organization was perfected. The membership, October 1, 1905, was 234, and with a little effort on the part of the members the 250 mark could be easily reached. If not beyond the age limit, and not already a member, why not join? Further desired information can be obtained from the officers.

Not all the best of the good people in the G. P. O. are to be found in this Division. There are some choice folks in the Second Division—many of them—and lots in the other Divisions. We have specially in mind Brother "Jonadab" Schooler, of the Second—a man ever intent on some scheme to help a fellow being; and there's "cheery" Tom Jones, obliging "Hank" Allen, kindly McPike, and—well, the list is long; we'll add to it some other time and complete it later on.

Our clever young friend, James Carlisle Spottswood, son of Acting Foreman of Printing, J. M. A. Spottswood, is a member of the Grand Opera House Stock Company of New Orleans. "Janice Meridith," the great novel of the Revolution, was on the program for the opening week. Mr. Spottswood took the part of Lieutenant Mowbray. The young man has talent and energy, and is closely applying himself. May a very large measure of success attend his efforts in the profession he has chosen.

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On Thursday last, a numerously signed petition, couched in the following beautiful language, favorable to the re-election of Secretary N. J. Lillard, appeared on the bulletin board:

Mr. N. J. LILLARD, *Secretary First Division Chapel:*

SIR:—The undersigned, members of the First Division Chapel, respectfully beg of you that you permit your name to go before the voters of this chapel for re-election to the office you have so successfully filled for the past four years. We appreciate your modesty in this matter, and known that you are a firm believer in the principle that the office should seek the man, and we, therefore, promise you that we shall not again ask you to make this sacrifice, if you will give this petition favorable consideration.

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Inasmuch as 'lection day—30th day of September—fell on the last Saturday half-holiday, the election for Chairman was anticipated and held on Friday—this is not a superstitious chapel—September 29. Our present efficient and popular chairman received every vote in the chapel, *i. e.*, if he did not, it was nobody's fault. He was elected by acclamation.

Chairman Templar hails from that great and glorious State, Pennsylvania, hence his unprecedented majority. Owing to the exactions of the recent exciting campaign he has gone back to Harrisburg this week to recuperate and get one more draught of water at the Union Station.

N. J. Lillard, of Alabama, was renominated for the fourth consecutive term for Secretary.

At this juncture, the Secretary made a "grandstand" play to the gallery, but he was unanimously re-elected by acclamation.

Here goes to our standard bearers, Templar and Lillard, for another three months.

ROUGH WRITER.

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SECOND DIVISION.

David Pollock, recently from Atlanta, Ga., is now on frame 11.

Dr. Manning calls occasionally; so far not professionally. He is quite chummy with Mr. Pulliam (Slug 5.)

Frank Trimble, after a month's leave, reported to the Second Division. He was immediately assigned cases by Assistant Foreman Heslet.

Saturday half holidays are over, but say, another year, why not make 12 o'clock quitting time instead of 1 o'clock? Why should we do penance even if we do get three hours off?

Foreman Milo Shanks welcomed a visitor at his residence last week. The visitor weighed ten pounds, and, as the ladies are always curious to know, I shall state it is a boy.

Jolly Colonel Bill Bailey recently went on a joyous trip to Atlantic City. That breezy seaside resort does not seem to have reduced the Colonel's rotundity. He had a good time nevertheless.

Mr. Boss (Slug 1) is very fond of golden rod. So, at least his friends seem to think, as he was visited last week by a number of his fellow craftsmen, each bearing a sprig of that emblem of our native land.

It would be at least an act of generosity to make casters of compositors. The average "comp.," like the man who has for many years followed a military calling, is like a child learning to walk outside of his mechanical occupation. I believe he will be accorded this recompense for the loss he will bear when machines displace hand labor.

The new lead rack is a much desired improvement. So are the placards on the walls bearing the frame numbers of each alley. Foreman Shanks shows commendable foresight in making these improvements, and thus facilitating carrying on the work of the room, which also lessons friction and increases the comfort of the men at the case.

Horace F. J. Drake, of the Proof Room, recently was summoned to Elizabeth, N. J., to attend his mother, who was seriously ill. He arrived there in time to be greeted by her before she passed away. Mr. Drake's father and uncle worked side by side at the case, and at the time, along in eighties, were the two oldest living compositors taken as a couple working at the case. Both were pioneers in, and prominent citizens of the historic city of Elizabeth and belonged to a high class lineage.

In a pamphlet commendable for its typographical excellence the Government Printing Office Bowling League announces its schedule for 1905-1906. Messrs. Beddow, Nace, O'Connell, and Allen, of this Division, are members of the Aldine Club. The various Union merchants of the city have contributed liberally in the way of prizes to the winning teams, and individual high scorers, and first-class bowling sport will be the feature of coming contests. If you want an evening of solid enjoyment, and a chance to get your money's worth, come along and watch the games. Next date, Saturday evening, October 7.

HOMME VRAI.

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SIXTH DIVISION.

Chairman George Hayden has lost a diamond pin. The question is where did he get it?

Maker-up George M. Mohler put in an appearance on Monday after a vacation covering thirty days.

Hubert Newsom, of the Second Division, wishes me to state that he has a number of average books which he will gladly give to those calling for the same.

A part of the Sixth Division space heretofore occupied by type cases has been confiscated and turned over to the Fifth Division, where additional monotype casters will be placed.

Harry Howe, Merg. 9, returned to work last Thursday after several weeks absence, during which time he took unto himself a wife, and spent a delightful honeymoon visiting various cities.

The regular quarterly chairmanship election for the Sixth Division occurred on Monday, the result being that Chairman George Hayden was unanimously re-elected chairman. E. M. Nevills was unanimously re-elected secretary.

Daniel S. Herzog, formerly copy collator of this Division, has embarked in the cigar and tobacco business with headquarters in Georgetown. Mr. Herzog will be remembered as the young gentleman who recently had a legal set-too with a well-known G. P. O. lawyer.

The news published last week that Mr. W. A. Roberts, of Langdon, had lost his smokehouse by fire was a great surprise to me, for I had been under the impression heretofore that the efficient fire department under Chief Goodkey would allow no such happening to occur.

Charles H. Gove, of the Fifth, and Hugh M. Everett, of this Division, have entered into a partnership for the transaction of a real estate, insurance, and loan business. Their business office is at No. 5 H street and their G. P. O. friends will find generous treatment at their hands.

After having spent ninety days in Wichita, Kan., Chas. G. Morrison, of the Job Room Proof Room, returned to work on Tuesday. During most of the time in the Sunflower State Mr. Morrison has been under a physician's care for stomach trouble. His friends will be pleased to note his improvement in health.

Of course a Division correspondent should confine himself as much as possible to the "economic" questions of his Division in particular, but in this Division things are so well regulated as to leave little room for an agitator to agitate. However, if I can succeed in having Mrs. Silvey, the Sixth Division caterer, change the bill of fare, from roast beef to hash occasionally, and limit the amount of beans a man may take for a nickel, I feel that the advice received from the "funny" one has not been for naught.

Some few weeks ago on a newly made quoin received for use in this Division was found the address of Miss Annie S. Jones, of Duluth, Minn., on which also was a sentence that the writer had a feeling way down in her heart for the finder. Several gentlemen of this Division sent to the supposed charming Annie tenderly worded proposals, and bet with each other as to who would be the first chosen by Annie as her affinity. This week a gentleman of this Division received a letter from Duluth. Across the envelope was stamped in big red letters, "returned," and written also on the envelope was the cheering news that no such person lived in Duluth. The moral is "don't get gay."

Among the subjects to come up at the next meeting of Typographical Union will be that of changing the rate of mileage allowed to delegates representing Columbia Union at I. T. U. conventions. Viewed from a purely "economical" standpoint it would seem that the ten cents per mile allowed would furnish to a delegate a considerable surplus above necessary expenses when the convention is held in a distant city; at the same time it should be borne in mind the greater the distance the greater the traveling expenses. Undoubtedly men will be found to represent Columbia Union when the financial consideration for so doing has been reduced to a pittance, but whether a great union like Columbia wishes its representatives to uphold its dignity on an empty pocket-book is another question. It will be up to the membership to decide, and will furnish one of those "perplexing" questions for debate, and give "hope and inspiration" to those who believe Columbia Union should cease to be a spendthrift.

Noticing this week another one of those thrilling scenes which takes place in a play now performing at a cheap play house in town wherein a couple of dozen men have jumped into about 40 feet of water and formed a sort of a pontoon bridge for the heroine and the c-h-e e-l-d to escape I marvelled at its daring for a moment and then sought Imposer Chas. Slentz, of this Division, for information on how so much water could be placed on the stage at one time. You see Mr. Slentz was at one time an actor-man starting early in life as a wave-maker in the ship wreck scene of James O'Neill's play "Monto Cristo." He was heavy man with Barrett, wearing a tin armor of great weight. Later Mr. Slentz took several leading parts, chief of which was leading a bald-faced horse several times around the stage, in a popular spectacular play of those days. But Mr. Slentz tells me it isnt real water those fellows are in, and I take this opportunity of putting those next who feel that they must violate their union's request to stay away from this play house which is under the ban. But Mr. Slentz's early training in theatrical life stood him well, for he afterwards was connected with some of the best organizations on the road.

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Personal Mention.

Mayo C. Mitchell is filling a "sit." in the job room of McGill & Wallace's establishment during the illness of William Sweeney, who has been the job artist there for several years. Mr. Mitchell, several months ago, worked as a job hand in some of the up-to-date New York printeries.

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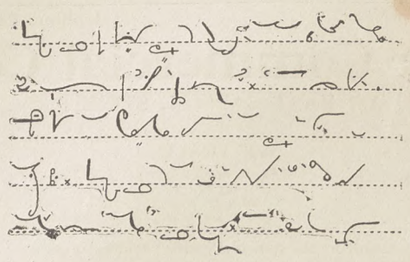
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ROBERT'S REFLECTIONS.

The verdict of the Supreme Court of the United States in the case of *Donovan* vs. *Perry* will be watched with much interest by the labor unions throughout the country. The case is one where the Supreme Court of the State of Massachusetts affirmed the decision of a lower court in awarding damages to a non-union man against one Donovan, who represented the Boot and Shoe Workers' Union. The union had a contract with a certain employer to hire none but members of the union. Perry was given employment but absolutely refused to join the union. According to the contract he was discharged. Hence the suit.

The Court of Appeals of the State of New York not very long ago held that workmen had a legal right, singly or collectively, to refuse to work with non-unionists or other workmen.

If it is not wrong for one man to refuse to work with an individual whom he may regard as inimical to his interest, why have not a hundred men the same right?

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A union man is one who pays his dues but cares very little about the labels of other trades. A trades unionist is the fellow who demands the label on what he buys, thereby lending a helping hand to his fellow workman.

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The fellow who generally speaks about the weakness of the unions is the fellow who seldom attends the meetings of his union.

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The uncalled for attack upon the American Federation of Labor by the Rev. Dr. Bristol of this city in a recent Sunday sermon may have met with some approval in this section of the country, but I would suggest to the reverend gentleman that he is rather far away from base, as it were. It would be a good idea no doubt for him to get a "call" from some church in the part of the country where the public comes in daily contact with the class of people he pleads so eloquently about. Does he know that in San Jose, Cal., the ministers have joined hands with the trades unions in trying to rid the Coast of the very people whom he wants us to welcome to our shores?

A number of ministers out there have joined the Central Labor Union in their respective localities, and marched in line last Labor Day with the men who do the hard work of the world.

Labor unions have done as much if not more in the past twenty years to lift up the human family as any of our moral agencies, and the ministry above all others should be the last to throw an obstacle in the path of those who have done so much to lighten the burden of the toiling men, women, and children of our country.

Bishop Spaulding, of the Anthracite Coal Strike Commission, said after hearing the evidence brought out by the union representatives: "The labor question is a question of humanity."

The union men of this country are being assessed and taxed to carry on the work which Bishop Spaulding described as a work of humanity. There is hardly a law on our statute books to-day in the interest of the wage-earners, whether it be city, State, or national, that has not been placed there by and through the persistent efforts of organized labor.

Talk about the tyrrany of labor! It was organized labor who said to the employers of children: "The school house and playground is the proper place for children, and not the mill, mine, factory, and workshop. Child labor must cease."

Has Dr. Bristol ever heard of any other societies protesting against child labor? No. Such work is left for the trade unions to do.

Take local conditions, if you will, right here in Washington. Whose influence brought about the early closing movement among our large retail stores which made it possible for several thousand clerks (mostly women and girls) to reach their homes at a reasonable hour in the evenings? The Retail Clerks' Union, backed up by the trades unions of the city, after persistent work, brought about the early closing movement. There are a thousand and one things labor unions have done to brighten the homes and firesides of the toilers of our country, and there is still a great deal more to do, and labor unions intend to go on and on with their good work in spite of those who really ought to be standing shoulder to shoulder with the men who are carrying on this great work instead of doing that which has a tendency to to retard the movement—a movement which means so much to the American workingmen. A fellow who is well treated and who has a full stomach will accept Christianity more readily than the fellow with an empty stomach.

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A strike-breaker occupies a position precisely analagous to that of the renegade and traitor.

In time of war a traitor is shot, but a strike-breaker is shunned by all self-respecting people. Even the employer for whom he does the dirty work has no respect for him. He only uses him for the time being.

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The fellow who steals a dollar is only injuring the man whom he robs. The strike-breaker is injuring the whole labor movement.

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The following articles for men bear the union label, and can be had in this city: Hats, clothes, shoes, shirts, collars and cuffs, neckties, suspenders, caps, garters, vests, and leather belts, overcoats and raincoats. How many label articles do you wear?

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At the recent convention of the United Typothetae, held at Niagara Falls, N. Y., a resolution was unanimously adopted whereby the members were instructed to discourage the use of the label on all printing, following in the footsteps of the Manufacturers' Association which is making an effort to have all the employers to refuse to allow the label to be placed on their product. The fellow who persists in buying non-label goods is playing into the hands of the open-shop advocates. Are you one of them?

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This may be news to some members of Columbia Typographical Union No. 101, but to many it is not. Several years ago when the New York *Sun* put in the Lanston machines Big Six was in a quandary as to what to do about controlling the casters on said machines. Columbia Union, along with other unions, protested against Big Six allowing none but printers to run the casters, consequently a strike followed which cost the Local and I. T. U. over $100,000. But when the same question confronted the members of No. 101—but that's another story.

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So the Franklin Printing Co., of Atlanta, Ga., has signed the printers' eight-hour agreement. It is stated that the new manager said that he would not allow a "rat" to come in the office as long as he was in control. Years ago the Franklin Co. was one of the worst non-union offices in the South. Union men were allowed to work there under cover for a while. but the rules in force were such that no union man could hold down a "sit." more than a week. Fines were placed upon the workmen for this and that.

Some time ago a story was told by a union tourist who struck Savannah, Ga., who had just put in a week at the Franklin office and when pay day came he said he found that the fines imposed upon him for violation of the office rules amounted to eighty cents more than his salary.

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The lockout still continues at Troy, N. Y. The International Shirt and Laundry Workers' Union are putting up a stiff fight against big odds. The American Federation of Labor has taken up the fight, and it has spread all over the country. A merchant told me last week he had some trouble in getting his order filled, and wanted to know when the women were going back to work. When asked why he did not buy union collars instead of the scab collars, his reply was, "We have been handling them so long we hate to leave the company or make a change." He'd change all right if we did not buy the scab goods.

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"The unbridled rage of a quiet, stolid people like the English, would be terrible. And I am despondent. The charities are vast, but the encnroachment of the poverty line is steady. And the idle rich seem impotent. And side by side with their vast charities are their almost vaster extravagances. I have seen luxurious New York, but it is not comparable to London."—*Kansas City Times.*

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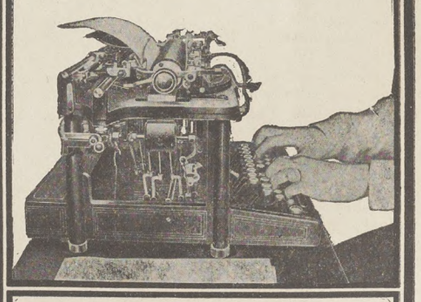

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

N. C. Sprague Elected Delegate to the A. F. of L. Convention.

ANOTHER UNFAIR HORSESHOER

Musicians Protest Against Naval Gun Factory Band—The Label Committee Doing Effective Work—Bookbinders Want Action in Carnegie Library Case.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday, President McCarthy in the chair.

The Grievance Committee reported progress.

CREDENTIALS.

Brewery Workmen, No. 118: F. Hellmuth, vice Louis Schroff, Jr.

Bartenders League, No. 75: Jere F. McCarthy, James H. Howard, W. E. Brown, T. F. O'Keefe, B. V. Walz.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Ernest Rauth, a member of Brewery Workmen Union No. 118, expressing gratitude for donation of money by members of the Central Labor Union. Placed on file.

From Frank Morrison, secretary American Federation of Labor, in reference to request of Hod Carriers Union to have Geo. A. Fuller Co. declared unfair, stating that application should come from International Union of Local Union involved in controversy. Referred to Hod Carriers Union, No. 21.

From Musicians Protective Union, No. 161, calling attention to publicity given the Naval Gun Factory Band in THE TRADES UNIONIST and protesting against any assistance being rendered "such an unfair organization as the Naval Gun Factory Band at the present time." Placed on file.

From A. E. Kellington, secretary-treasurer International Union of Flour and Cereal Mill Employes, asking renewed effort in fight against product of Washburn-Crosby Milling Co. Placed on file.

From Journeymen Horse Shoers Union, No. 17, asking that John Mitchell, 210 Second street northwest, be placed on the unfair list. Request granted.

From Hod Carriers and Building Laborers Union, No. 21, asking reason for failure to give publicity in published minutes of Central Labor Union of the fact that George A. Fuller Co. had been declared unfair to that Union, and requesting that publicity asked for be given in THE TRADES UNIONIST. Request granted.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The chair stating that a special order of business having been created at the last meeting on the question of election of a delegate to the American Federation of Labor convention at Pittsburg, the matter was taken up, and on motion it was ordered that the communication from the American Federation of Labor be received, placed on file, and that the body proceed to election of a delegate.

Nominations being declared in order, Delegate Dickman nominated Delegate N. C. Sprague, of Pressmen Union.

Delegate Feeney seconded the nomination of Delegate Sprague.

Delegate Sherman (Electrical Workers) nominated Chas. W. Winslow, of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5.

Delegate Adams (Columbia Lodge of Machinists) seconded the nomination of Chas. W. Winslow.

Delegate McCarthy (Bartenders League) was nominated, but declined.

Delegate Adams (Columbia Lodge of Machinists) was nominated, but declined.

Delegate Ross (Sheet Metal Workers) was nominated, but declined.

Nominations being closed, the chair appointed Delegates Brahler, Howard, and Ross as tellers.

The vote being taken, resulted: Sprague, 42; Winslow, 29. Total vote cast, 71.

The matter of compensation for delegate was, on motion, referred to the executive officers to report at next meeting.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Musicians: Called attention to the Naval Gun Factory Band, stating that the organization was a nonunion one.

Machinists: Delegate Adams defended the actions of the Naval Gun Factory Band and denied allegations made by the Musicians.

After a general discussion of the case the matter was held in abeyance until after the investigation now pending between the American Federation of Musicians and the International Association of Machinists.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Label Committee reported publication of list of label articles in three union publications, and asked for appropriation sufficient to publish list in daily papers. On motion $100 was placed at the disposal of the committee to be used in publication only in issues of papers carrying the union label.

On favorable report of Grievance Committee, John Mitchell, master horseshoer, 210 Second street northwest, was placed on the unfair list at request of Horseshoers Union No. 17.

Bookbinders Union, through one of its delegates, requested that the Central Labor Union, through its secretary, notify the librarian of the Carnegie Library that if the employment of bookbinders by that institution more than eight hours per day did not cease action would be taken for violation of the eight-hour law.

Mail Bag, Pouch Makers, and Repairers Union, No. 10523, reported that an open meeting will be held on Thursday evening, October 12, at Wonn's Hall, 721 Sixth street northwest, for the purpose of getting that craft together. Several prominent speakers have been secured for the occasion.

Adjourned.

Alleged Unfair Work.

Carpenters Joint District Council has sent the following communication to the Structural Building Trades Alliance of this city:

Mr. JAS. S. O'HAGAN, Secretary Structural Building Trades Alliance:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER: At a meeting of the Joint District Council I was instructed to call your attention to the case of Mr. Himes, who conducts a lunch room at No. 3 H street northwest. Some time in September Mr. Himes was building the present house on H street, and his attention being called to the fact that he was employing a non-union contractor, or, in other words, was a contractor that was not fair to union labor, and after an investigation by the Executive Board of the Joint District Council he failed to settle the case satisfactory to the Board by employing a contractor who was fair to union labor, the men employed by him was ordered to stop work. One man failed to comply with the wishes of the Joint District Council, whereupon Mr. Himes continued to employ the said man to the objections of the Joint District Council.

You are respectfully requested to publish the said case in the TRADES UNIONIST.

For further information inquire of the delegates of the Joint District Council, represented in the Structural Building Trades Alliance.

Yours fraternally,

E. B. BYRNE,
Secretary Joint District Council.

Death of Dave Moran.

David H. Moran, a well known member of Pressmen's Union, No. 1, and for nearly a quarter of a century employed in the Government Printing Office, died last Saturday after a comparatively short illness.

Dave Moran was well-beloved by his associates in the big printery, his sunny nature making him many friends. He had served his union in several capacities, principally as secretary.

Mr. Moran was a member of Pressmen's Council, National Union, carrying a $2,000 policy in that organization.

The immediate cause of death was apoplexy. The funeral services took place at St Aloysius' Church on Monday morning. He leaves a widow.

Columbia Typographical Union.

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WITHDRAWN—C. E. Harrison, J. L. Shipley, S. B. Kleindienst.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Captain E. C. Pendleton, who will be relieved from his position on October 15 by Capt. Eugene Leutze, will be transferred to the *Missouri* as its commanding officer until he is retired, which will take place in 1906.

Wm. B. Appold, one of the most enthusiastic workers in Columbia Lodge, has been appointed a sub-inspector of ordnance. As soon as he familiarizes himself with the work to which he has been appointed he will be sent to Brooklyn as an inspector of gun sights. Knowing the man so well and his superior qualifications, mechanically and otherwise, I feel assured that the contractor who fails to meet with all the requirements of his contract will find he has a hard road to travel under the supervision of Bro. Appold. Columbia Lodge rejoices in his promotion and wishes him success.

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R. F. Brooks, who has held the position of stenographer and typewriter to Foreman Lynch for several years, has been transferred to the War Department at an increase in salary from $2.48 per diem to $900.00 per annum.

While as a rule I do not take to the colored race, I am always willing to grant to the individual, who, by his ability and integrity and by his absolutely refusing to allow his position to be the means that might enable him to seek social recognition, that justice that properly belongs to him. Mr. Brooks has proven himself such a character, and I am proud of him, by the manner in which he has conducted himself. I feel sure that I echo the sentiments of every member of the supervising force when I express the sentiments herein contained.

As a recognition of the testimonial given to him by Foreman Lynch as to character and efficiency he sent to the foreman's office on last Wednesday noon a freezer of ice cream, which was devoured by the foreman and his assistants, so much so that several of the assistants, especially Crowther and Lescallett, were complaining next day of a disagreeable feeling in their stomachs. What else could you expect when one eats seven plates of cream at one sitting?

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I have received a letter from Bro. Patrick Henry Wilkinson, who is at the Grand View Sanitarium, Newport, Tenn. While he writes that he is gaining some strength, the tone of his letter is not such as to warrant a belief that he is getting well. The sympathy of all his shopmates go out to him, as Pat is one of the best men who ever swung a hammer.

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Every week I am annoyed by men in the shop asking the loan of THE TRADES UNIONIST. I cannot understand why this is so, when the paper can be secured so cheaply.

Possibly some do not know where it can be obtained. To the borrower and others I will state that THE TRADES UNIONIST can be obtained at Miller's cigar store, 527 Eighth street southeast. Bro. Miller not only handles the labor paper, but other periodicals, including an exchange library. Everything in the tobacco line can be obtained there, and Union goods at that.

Boys; Unionists especially, don't borrow, but drop in and see Bro. Miller, and don't leave until you have subscribed to the only labor paper in the District.

Remember every Friday evening and THE TRADES UNIONIST.

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Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. of M., resumed its regular weekly meeting Wednesday evening, which was largely attended, owing to the fact, no doubt, that the delegates to the Boston convention would submit their report and in expectation of an address from the Hon. T. V. Powderly.

The first part of the program was carried out and for an hour or more the delegates were like fish on a hot griddle. While their report was in the aggregate accepted there were several issues that did not meet with approbation, especially the increase of monthly dues from 75 cents to $1.00 per month.

Mr. Powderly, owing to a previous engagement, was unable to be present, which every one regretted, as they looked for something extraordinary, well knowing his ability to handle any mechanical subject. He will deliver his lecture on the "Nobility of the Machinists Craft" on the second meeting in November.

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I would be pleased if the President would instruct the Keep Commission to investigate the statisticians of the Government who declared over their signatures before the last Presidential election that wages had advanced in proportion to the increase in the cost of living, and now when there is no issue at stake, or further reason in upholding that statement, they change the whole conditions by stating that their first report was not true, but after a sober consideration they now find that the cost of living has far exceeded the raise in the wages.

It looks to me like a case of "Now you see it, and now you don't."

Government statistics should be of such a character as to reliability that there could be no questioning as to their truthfulness, either before or after an election.

Men who use their official position for the purpose of deceiving the public by such methods as referred to should have no recognition from the Government, much less from honest men.

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There is no understanding human nature; some men change their opinions so rapidly that it is a difficult proposition to locate them.

Let us take the case of ex-Congressman, now Judge A. G. Dayton, of West Virginia.

When the Hon. A. G. Dayton was a candidate for election honors he was supported and elected by organized labor.

During the many years he was in Congress his fealty to organized labor was undoubted by the labor trades. But I must confess that from the first time I met Judge Dayton until he left Congressional honors for a judgeship I seriously doubted his fealty.

I was never in his presence but that feeling of doubt did not take possession of me. Possibly I was wrong, but I know that there are hundreds of the readers of THE TRADES UNIONIST who are in the same position as I. I do not know what you call it. It is some invisible force or power that tries to draw you away from a body that does not come into your invironment—such was always the case with Judge Dayton—I always felt he was sailing under false colors, that time would develop.

My theory has been conclusively proven by the Judge's own statement, issued a few days ago:

There are two things I have done in Congress of which I am ashamed. One is voting for the Chinese exclusion act and the other for voting for the oleomargarine law.

Judge Dayton well knows that in his new position he is comparatively fixed for life at the expense of the tax payer, which includes organized labor as well as capitalist, therefore he can at this time come out in his true character, knowing that he will never again appeal to organized labor for their support.

But has he been honest with organized labor, which has been the power that gave him prominence as a Congressman and made the way clear for a Federal judgeship?

I expect to be roasted by those who read this article, whom he as a Congressman assisted to better positions in life, and when they were in his presence did "cringe the pregnant hinges of the knee, that thrift might follow fawning"—but to those I say: I speak of a man as he proves himself, when he is tried under many conditions, and Judge Dayton has proved what he really is at the first opportunity, the foe of labor organizations.

TIM TICKLE.

If a man had $15,000 invested in an institution he certainly would take a keen interest in the affairs of the same. The fellow who invests his labor, which is his capital, ought to take the same interest in his union, for he wants to get as much as possible for what he invests.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

ROBERTS REFLECTIONS.

The city authorities of Chicago have notified the employing printers of that city that it is against the law to run a "bull pen" in the city limits.

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One good honest agitator is worth more to a union than a thousand knockers.

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It is ill becoming the fellow who never attends the meetings of his union to knock on the fellow who does.

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It is so easy for the members of a union to blame the officers for not doing this or that, when in fact the responsibility should rest upon the shoulders of the entire membership. Don't shirk your duty and then expect the officers of your union to carry you along.

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President Belmont, of the "L" and "Subway" of New York City, has at last got enough of the scabs he employed to defeat the recent strike on his roads. He has called upon the officers of the union to furnish him with union men. His experience has taught him, like many others, that the best mechanics are to be found in the union. Good workmen are not going around scabbing it on their fellow workmen.

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When Jesus said "Suffer little children to come unto Me," He did not have a mine, factory, mill, workshop or department store to put the children into.

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The following language taken from President Roosevelt's speech, delivered in Syracuse, N. Y., on Labor Day, 1902, ought to be read by every weak-kneed unionist:

"The man who is afraid to express an honest opinion is a moral coward, and as a citizen he is no good."

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It is understood that the machinists employed in the Washington Navy Yard are going to ask Congress to raise their pay to $4 per day. If any class of men in the employ of Uncle Sam are entitled to an increased pay the boys in the Navy Yard are. Here's hoping you will be successful in your efforts.

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Organized labor will grow and flourish on the threats and abuse it receives from those on the outside, but it is the internal factions which have a tendency to retard the work. Jealousy among the leaders will do more to injure the cause than all the abuse of the Parryites between here and the end of the world.

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So the Civic Federation has turned its attention to municipal questions, such as public ownership of gas plants, street cars, etc. It has not been many years ago when the fellow who even suggested such a thing was looked upon as an enemy to society. But the minds of the people are broadening.

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There appeared recently an article in one of our local papers, taken from a report issued by the Department of Commerce and Labor, in which the press seem to convey the impression by the headings over the article that trades unions restricted the output to such an extent in this country which justified the increase of the cost of living. But on carefully reading the article one found that in every industry but one—the meat industry—establishments where union help was employed the amount of work turned out was from 7 to 10 per cent higher than in those establishments now with non-union help—all working the same number of hours. To those who only read the head lines of a paper it would leave a bad impression.

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If the working people would pay those whom they choose to lead and advise them good salaries, the best men would not be looking around for Government jobs.

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The best way to get the unfair employers to recognize the Union and come to us asking for peace, is to learn the power behind the union label. Union men possess a power inherently their own, but they have not yet learned how to use it right, and the olive branch of peace will soon be offered you.

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No fair-minded trade unionist would question the honesty of the president of the United Mine Workers of America, and union men look upon him as one of the leaders in the labor movement to-day, but it was with regret that the writer of this learned that his recent visit to Washington was for the expressed purpose of securing the appointment of the editor of the United Mine Workers' official journal to a position as an internal revenue collector in some district in the Keystone State. None of us are infallible—we all make mistakes at times, and it is my humble opinion that our labor leaders make a mistake when they use their influence to have a man taken out of a position where he is of some benefit to his fellow workers and placed in a Federal job where his duties are merely perfunctory.

The office of internal revenue collector is one where rules are laid down to be followed strictly. Grant, for the sake of argument, that the editor of the *Mine Workers' Journal* gets the position he seeks, will that in any way help the rank and file of the Miners Union or help the miners secure an eight-hour day, recognition of their union, and an increased wage? Not much. He will be as helpless as a child, for his hands will be practically tied. If he was doing good work as editor of the *Mine Workers' Journal* he should be kept there, and not put in a position where his usefulness in the labor movement will be at an end, for if he gets the appointment he will simply become instead of a leader and an educator a mere cog in the wheel. Such acts arouses suspicion in the minds of many and gives the enemy grounds for claiming that the average labor leader is out for office.

If the office were one of a legislative capacity it would be all right, for there is where labor needs friends. Let our labor leaders use their influence in putting men in our legislative halls where they can be of some service to those whom they represent. When we find a man qualified to represent us, for heaven's sake don't place him where he will soon retire to "innocuous desuetude."

Labor workers will have to stop throwing up their hats and yelling every time one of their number happens to be appointed to a position where he can be of no service to those who brought him into prominence. When President McKinley appointed a member of one of our local unions on the Industrial Commission it tickled the fancy of many members of his craft, but it did not help the rank and file of his union. Its members went on toiling in the same old way—those who were fortunate enough to have work to do. If organized labor expects to have any lasting and permanent benefits it must be by and through the combined efforts of all, and not depend upon any one person.

There is an old saying that history repeats itself. How long will it be before workingmen learn this plainest bit of history? Catherine the Great, of Russia, was born and bred a peasant girl, but she did nothing to help the peasant girls. Horace was a farmer's son, but that did not help the Roman farmers who remained farmers.

So in our day and time there are too many men who were at one time active in the labor movement who become very dormant when they connect with Uncle Sam's crib. They too soon forget the poor fellows in the ranks upon whose backs, in many instances, they have climbed into office.

F. C. ROBERTS.

Columbia Typographical Union.

The referendum vote, taken among the membership of Columbia Typographical Union yesterday on I. T. U. propositions, resulted:

First Proposition—To specify in the Constitution the names of the several branches subordinate to the International Union; for, 1056; against, 190.

Second Proposition—To require the agent of the Union Printers' Home to attend one meeting of the trustees during his term of office; for, 1000; against, 257.

Third Proposition—To change the salaries of the International President and Secretary-Treasurer; for, 329; against, 963.

Fourth Proposition—To provide for the payment of the actual hotel expenses of officers and organizers; for, 468; against, 806.

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The I. T. U. demands that EIGHT HOURS shall constitute a workday

Shelby Smith's Apology.

PHILADELPHIA, *Sept. 19, 1905.*

I deeply regret the publication of the statements made in the *Trades Union News* of February 9, 1905, concerning the members of the Executive Council of the International Typographical Union.

I did not mean to intimate that the International officers had entered into agreements with the rats or rat employers of Philadelphia.

I had no purpose to assail the personal character of the members of the Executive Council.

The above is submitted as my apology for the publication by me, in the *Trades Union News*, of the article complained of.

(Signed) SHELBY SMITH.

And the future life of a Union Card rested on the above "stickful" of an apology.

In the present effort to gain the eight-hour day, with general amnesty allowed in every city in trouble, the worst "rat" in the country has a chance for a card without an apology for past actions—in fact, he is looked upon as a friend in need. No matter what his crime. He may have traduced every member of the last union he was a member of, violated every article of law in the International, and he is taken in to help win a strike.

The personality of Shelby Smith entered largely into his case. With a tongue that utters cutting, sharp, sentences, filled with sarcastic contempt for his alleged persecutors, he could hardly expect quarter from a convention dominated by administration adherents; but the sentence in his case was too severe.

Parallel the act of a man fighting for his organization, incessant and insistent for changed conditions in Philadelphia Union, and when the Executive Council practically deserted his cause, saw fit to criticise that august body for its alleged delinquency, harshly, it may be, and his card hangs on an apology. Parallel it with a "rat," carrying any number of coats of whitewash and a card is handed him and funds to carry him to new fields of usefulness for good or ill to the I. T. U.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

One can scarcely pick up a magazine nowadays without finding in it an anti-trades-union story, serial or short. The poverty of information and imagination of the authors is shown in the stereotyped cast of characters, to wit:

One benevolent capitalist, whose only desire is that his business may be sufficiently remunerative to enable him to continue his fatherly care of his employes;

One superb specimen of youthful manhood, with unerring knowledge of all the details of the business, though fresh from college, as superintendent;

One beetle-browed labor leader, by whose influence hundreds of would-be "scabs" are forced to remain union men;

One hard-working, sober, trustworthy workman, whose family are in a starving condition the minute he stops work; and

One dying little daughter of the latter.

The incidents are as poverty-stricken as the cast of characters, as follows:

A strike forced by the beetle-browed labor leader (they've stopped calling him "walking delegate") for an impossible increase of wages;

Consequent immediate suffering of the families of all the good and true men, forced into the union against their will;

Death of the little daughter from hunger and lack of medical attention;

Murder of her father for becoming a "scab" in his determination to save her life;

Cowing and defeat of the beetle-browed labor leader by the courageous young superintendent, and consequent breaking of the strike;

Recognition of the labor leader as a notorious criminal and his proper conviction and punishment; and

Beatific condition of the works under "scab" conditions.

Pah! Is it not sickening? The efforts of these hireling scribes to write an "Uncle Tom's Cabin" against slavery of trades unionism are failures because they have the wrong end of it. They are in the employ of Simon Legree. Wage-workers themselves, and rarely sufficiently successful to equal the earnings of average mechanics, they are in the position of slaves writing against the abolition of slavery. But they have the excuse that magazine editors want and will pay for such stories, no matter how hackneyed in incident and untrue in fact, in their desire to please the money power.

As to the effect of such stories: Trades unions are daily multiplying in numbers and in membership. New occupations are being organized. Unions are being recognized by employers who never recognized them before. Wages are gradually being increased and hours of labor reduced. The issues between capital and labor have become themes of the press and the pulpit. The equal right of labor with capital to combine for its own interest is less strenuously disputed day by day. The iniquities of "frenzied finance" are being inquired into. The purchase of legislatures, city councils, and courts is being recognized and deprecated. The evils of woman and child slavery and of the sweat shop are receiving attention. And the world is growing better.

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" stories against unions by order of Simon Legree are not stopping or even clogging the wheels of progress.

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Carlos B. Tomlin recently sent me a copy of the mammoth edition of the Las Vegas (N. Mex.) *Optic* of September 26, issued as a souvenir of the First Annual Northern New Mexico Fair and Fall Festival. From which fact I should imagine that he is running a mill there.

Since the above was written I have received the following:

ALBUQUERQUE, N. MEX., *Oct. 2.*

From Denver to Colorado Springs, to Pueblo, to La Junta, to Trinidad, to Las Vegas, to this town, working some and picking up a little strength all the time. While a long way from a well man, am on a tour of the Southwest in hopes that I may entirely recover. Will write up my trip later. Regards to all. TOMLIN.

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Dr. H. T. Schildroth told the story himself. In 1896 he was elected coroner of St. Clair County, Ill.—the county in which East St. Louis is situated. During the campaign he attended a political meeting at a little town near Belleville, where a German speaker had been advertised to speak. The German speaker failing to show up, Dr. Schildroth was pressed into service to make the German speech, there being many of that nationality in the community, though he protested that he was not qualified for the task. He began by saying that he was born in the county, of German parents, but could not speak the language very well. Then he launched into the financial question and tore it to a frazzle. When the meeting closed, a German school-teacher, a Democrat, approached the doctor and said:

"Coom und haf a class of pier."

The doctor went.

"You saidt at de bekinning of your speedge dot you gould not sbeag Cherman very vell," said the school-master, as they drank their beer.

"Yes," said the doctor.

"Vell, dot vas de only drue ding dot you dit say!"

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My friend "Tim Tickle" frequently indulges himself in accounts of the escapades of "Foreman Charley Robinson" in throwing light on Naval Gun Factory doings, one of the latest hav- of the battleship *Mississippi*. Now, as ing reference to a junket to Philadelphia in connection with the launching we have a "Foreman Charley Robinson" in the Government Printing Office—a sedate gentleman of quiet tastes, who does not engage in junkets or escapades—and as the amount of ignorance and misunderstanding in the world is appalling, notwithstanding the intelligent efforts of Tim Tickle, Rough Writer, Sonny Gunn, Funny Roberts, and myself to enlighten it, I will state right here that the "Foreman Charley Robinson" who figures in Tim Tickle's department so frequently and thrillingly is not "Foreman Charley Robinson" of the G. P. O., and there is no relationship, connection, or community of interest between them. "Foreman Charley Robinson" of the Naval Gun Factory may be a very clever, well-behaved gentleman. Far be it from me to throw doubt on the question. We have nothing whatever upon which to form an opinion except what Tim Tickle has written, and mere assertion is not proof. But he must himself receive the credit or bear the odium of his acts. Suggestive or ambiguous paragraphs regarding "Foreman Charley Robinson," when one considers the clientele of this paper, may reflect on an innocent man to his hurt, and so I suggest that the use of "N. G. F." after the name hereafter will be the means of avoiding such risk when Mr. Tickle gets a hot one on his "Foreman Charley Robinson."

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The following under the heading "Some Funny Things You See," appeared in the *Typographical Journal* for October:

American Industries, the organ of the National Association of Manufacturers, fills out a couple of short columns with the following "correspondence:"

LEAVING GOVERNMENT EMPLOY TO SETTLE THINGS.

Editor *American Industries:* This week witnesses the convention of the typos, about forty of whom have gone from here, most of them holding a most agreeable situation under the Government and under oath to support and serve it, going into the territory of a foreign government to settle the conditions under which those with private capital invested shall do business in the United States. You should protest against this action on the part of any Government employee and demand that they stop intermeddling with private business.

Washington, August 14. AFTER THEM.

UNION POLITICS IN GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE.

Editor *American Industries:* A situation in the Government Printing Office, as at present manipulated, is a reward of merit to the officious labor union holder-up. Investigation will show that three-fourths of the foremanships and a majority of the preferred situations are held by ex-delegates, ex-presidents, etc., either of the Washington local or some other one. There is in the office an Ex-Delegates' Association having over 150 members.

Washington, August 1. "UNIONIST."

Yes, it is too funny to be commented on. Like a good story, it needs no diagram to elucidate it. Nothing so absolutely idiotic could originate in the brain of anyone but an apologist for "scab" employers.

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Smith—Understand that you took the civil service examination for the G. P. O. Did you pass?

Jones—No; fell down on spelling and divisions.

Smith—What are you going to do now?

Jones—Keep on reading proof, I guess.—*Inland Printer.*

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This is about the time of year when we read great chunks of disgust in the newspapers at the expressions "Irish-Americans," "German-Americans," etc. Why? These terms describe persons who cannot be accurately described otherwise without the use of a half a dozen words. Of course the kickers would like to pretend that there are no Americans but American Americans; but there are. If you do not want all kinds of Americans, close the gates of Ellis Island and shut them out.

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An addendum to a circular that I received from a "fraternal" insurance association (I "quote" the word "fraternal" because all the fraternity has been squeezed out to make room for "business-like conditions") reads as follows:

There is another thing that should receive your attention, and it is this: Inasmuch as the Government employees will not be paid, according to the new rules, until a day or so after the 1st of November, it is requested that they make every effort to pay their assessments on the middle of the month, if possible. Beware! The law suspends a member if his assessment is not paid by 10 o'clock p. m. on the last day of the month.

How much of suggestion there is in this! No money except on pay day! Unfortunately the insinuation is based on fact, for it seems that the great majority of salaried people and wage earners have no money except on pay day—not even the $2 or $3 necessary to keep a life insurance policy alive. Why? The great majority receive over $100 a month, and yet nobody expects them to have money except on pay day, so well is their weakness known. Is it not disgusting? I don't think that class of people should be permitted to have money, even on pay-day. They should have guardians to draw their money and expend it for them.

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On Wednesday evening of last week Nashville Typographical Union, No. 20, celebrated her "golden anniversary," it being fifty years since it was organized, with a banquet, speech-making, and dancing. President Albert E. Hill, editor of the *Labor Advocate*, was the toastmaster. Governor John I. Cox, spoke of "The Power of the Press;" followed by Major Stahlman, of the *Banner*, on "Employer and Employee." President James M. Lynch was to have spoken on "The International Typographical Union," but was prevented from being present by the heavy drafts made on his time in Indianapolis; so Toastmaster Hill proposed a toast to the motto, "Eight hours for work, eight hours for sleep, and eight hours to do as we will," and all the members responded by reciting the motto in unison. Then Mrs. Edward Buchanan, president of Woman's Auxiliary, No. 7, spoke to "The Woman's Auxiliary;" Rev. Dr. D. C. Kelley, D. D., to "The Church and Labor," and Messrs. Thomas W. Wrenne and Herman A. Hasslock talked nicely of the great cause. It was a great occasion, the account of it taking up two columns of the *Banner*.

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To-day (Thursday, October 12), just as THE TRADES UNIONIST is going to press, Mr. John R. Moss, of the First Division, and Miss Mattie B. Hughes are being married, at the residence of the bride, 265 N street northwest, the ceremony at 2.30 p. m., Rev. A. W. Pitzer, of the Presbyterian church at the corner of Third and I streets northwest, being the officiating clergyman. The happy couple will spend the next ten days in New York City. The bride is a sister of the late Dr. Charles Avery Hughes, of the Proof Room, whose sad death in Delaware, of typhoid fever, a year or more ago, will be remembered. Mr. Moss, as well as the bride, is a Tennesseean, and he has made many very warm friends here by his quiet, gentlemanly manner and agreeable personality.

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The following dispatch, published in the *Evening Star* last Tuesday, shows the sentiment that is beginning to animate the people toward "scabs" and "strike-breakers" throughout the country. It is easy to foresee the time when these travesties on mankind will be held in as universal detestation as other malefactors—as traitors to their kind and unworthy of recognition as men:

CHICAGO, *October 10.*

A weary, hungry gang of nonunion switchmen spent last night in box cars on a siding of the Grand Trunk freight yards at Elsdon. They did not take the lodgings from choice, but because the residents of Elsdon, out of sympathy for the strikers, had driven every nonunion man from shelter in the suburbs.

Every hotel, lodging quarters, boarding house and private residence in Elsdon joined in the "boycott." The stores were locked and the barber shops closed. Everywhere doors were barred. Even saloons refused admittance to the unwelcome strangers. And, to cap the climax, the two village marshals, with gruff orders to "move on," proceeded to hustle the nonunionists out of town.

Confronted with the alternative of having to walk several miles or spend the night in the open, the men decided to consult Yardmaster Conroy of the Grand Trunk. He found the empty box cars on the siding. Blankets were procured, and the forty-eight nonunion men went supperless to bed.

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I received a letter from Andy Hughes the other day. He is now an inmate of the Union Printers' Home, as has been noted in these columns—for four months, he says. He asks as to the whereabouts of two old-timers—Frank Pagenhoff, who died fifteen or more years ago, and William Clegg, who he says formerly worked in the Job Room. "Formerly" means a good while ago to the real "old spavs," and I cannot bring Mr. Clegg to my recollection. Andy says he knew him at San Antonio, New York, and Washington, while he and Pagenhoff came to this city together, he says. If anybody knows anything of Mr. Clegg and will let me have the advantage of his knowledge, I will be glad to relieve Andy's anxiety. He says: "There is no one here you know except Oscar Howard." There ain't, eh? What has become of "Cap" Macloon, whom I knew thirty years ago in St. Joe.; Billy Wade, who took me on my first tramp; Ez Lewis, who drank out of the same "pop" bottle with me on the old Missouri River; John McKillop, my jolly Boston friend; O. B. Williams, whom I knew on the Chicago *Republican* in 1870—not to mention a number of others and all the Washington "contingent?" Runs in my head that I used to know Joe Waddingham and John McGinty, too. I am afraid Andy's eyesight is getting poor.

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The souvenir of the golden anniversary of Nashville Union, No. 20, arrived at my place of business the other day, and it is a work of art worthy of the great occasion on which it was issued. The label committee of the Union, Messrs. Robert Hallum (chairman), Alfred Caffrey, Jerry Sullivan, and J. S. Roberts, had immediate charge of its issue. Half-tone portraits of President Albert E. Hill and the other officers, committeemen, Woman's Auxiliary, State celebrities, I. T. U. officers, and other noted persons are well executed. From a literary as well as a typographic standpoint, it is something that Nashville Union may well be proud of.

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Louis P. Kenney, who has been filling the position of assistant foreman of the Sixth (*Record*) Division since the resignation of William J. Dow, some months ago, received his permanent appointment as such last week. He has been employed in various parts of the office for the past fifteen years, much of the time on the *Record*, about five years in the Treasury Branch, and the remainder of the time in other divisions; so that he has had an opportunity to acquire a knowledge of practically all the work. His home is in Red Cloud, Neb. He is a well-known Mason, holding an important position in Washington Royal Arch Chapter, No. 2.

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The *Typographical Journal* for October is a healthy-looking volume of 364 pages, containing the full proceedings of the Toronto convention in addition to the regular matter. No one need be unfamiliar with I. T. U. affairs if he will take the trouble to read this magazine, which comes to him practically without expense and without any trouble on his part. It is without a peer among the International trade journals.

A. F. BLOOMER.

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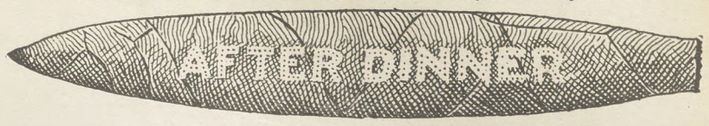

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

No tidings from R. L. Townsend since our last letter.

Corporal Carter is still absent on account of sickness.

"Heidey" and Phil. Nachman did not print last Monday—holiday.

Chairman Templar returned from H. H. W. (Harrisburg Home Week) on Monday.

Burnside—(not Jack), the other one—has been detailed to Jake Lesher's "bunch"

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The symposium will, in time, be only a memory—a remembrance of interest—especially interest.

On Monday afternoon ex-Delegate Steele was elected Secretary, vice N. J. Lillard, on leave.

There is a gentleman in the front office who is always Young, and also one who is very Bright. *See.*

Congratulations, "Cunny," of the Press Room. As a paragon of diplomacy you are a child wonder.

Are you of an observant turn of mind? Did you notice how nice and clean the floors were last Monday morning?

Since the departure of N. J. Lillard, Dan. Miller has moved up about one point, and is Jake Lesher's immediate understudy.

Intelligent reader, you may search from Dan to Beersheba and you will not find a more jovial sextette than the occupants of alley 8 in the Second.

During the week, John F. Lane, A. J. McMillan, and Ira M. Ingalls, of Indianola, Iowa, were detailed for a triplex (three day) stunt up at the State Branch.

Among those returning from leave since last week were James Carville, W. Fred. Councell, C. Courtney Thayer, Frank M. Lloyd, E. J. Robinson and O. B. Bellinger.

That popular gentleman, John B. Dickman, having recovered from his recent severe illness, reported for work on Monday. He was warmly welcomed by everybody.

Why? As there is nothing specially inflammable in the G. P. O. building or contents, excepting some *fiery* Congressional speeches, why is smoking prohibited on the fifth, six, and seventh floors?

Brother Barringer is back at his accustomed place after a temporary, yet trying illness. This venerable friend is a devotee of pedestrianism, but we counsel him to take shorter walks than the one he took just before he got sick.

Will those Harrisburg Indians ever cease extolling the wonderful days and nights they enjoyed. Messrs. Bentz, Orth and Templar received a royal reception upon their arrival at the Union Station. As many as one thousand persons were congregated at the station. 'Twas ever thus.

It seems to the many who know and like him, that Judge Underwood, of the "Y," will never grow old—at least in heart and spirit. He is always of genial mood, kindly tense, superlative number. The Judge likes to look at the ladies, and all ladies of good taste, we opine, like to look at the Judge.

N. J. Lillard, the popular Secretary of this Chapel has applied for all his leave and is visiting in his former home, Montgomery, Ala. His numerous friends presented him with a lovely umbrella, expressive of the esteem with which he is regarded. The Chaplain indulged in a few well worded remarks.

Yes, siree, he has a double—we mean Chas. S. Gunn, the unique correspondent of THE TRADES UNIONIST from the Sixth Division. We almost lost our balance on an end seat in an H street car going east last Saturday night when the ticket-taker came around. It was Charles sure enough, and the number on his cap 444

Among the many pleasing events that took place over at Harrisburg during "Home week" was a reunion of all the sons and daughters of Mrs Barbara Orth, one of that city's oldest residents, being 86 years of age, and having lived there seventy-three years. Our fellow-workman, J. Fred. Orth, his wife and daughter, Miss Nellie, were present.

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D. W. Bushnell, a former employee of this Division, writing from Chicago, under date of October 7, says:

All well and plenty of work in office, and getting more all the time—three new publications the past week. Had no trouble at our office, and are not likely to have. Strike getting along all right and we are getting Typothetae offices right along. When the smoke blows away and things simmer down I think the Typothetae will have only about a half dozen offices.

ROUGH WRITER.

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Second Division.

S. B. Ragland, a temporary, has been assigned cases on frame 54.

H. J. Smith, recently on frame 7, has been transferred to the ring alley.

Arthur G. Brown, on frame 90, has just returned from a thirty-days leave.

All circulars relative to the strike situation will be found on the bulletin board.

W. B. Myers, from the Spess, is with us. Myers is an all around good fellow and will make many friends here as he did in the Division he came from.

Tommy Dougherty, well known throughout the office, is reported to have met with a serious accident by falling and breaking his shoulder.

Messrs. Glenn, Smoot, Arrington, and Schooler compose a vocal quartet. As amateurs their renditions deserve praise, and no doubt time and practice will develop their musical talent to a high degree of excellence.

P. J. McAuliffe, our little rule case man, returned Friday last from a month's leave. Mac made quite a tour through Indiana and Illinois, and received a popular welcome from the members of this Division. As he always has a joke and a smile, why shouldn't he?

Simp's nomination as candidate for secretary was taken as a huge joke. It turned out to be the real thing, and when it was found he was duly and truly elected the laugh was on the electors. His expansive smile when congratulations were showered upon him attested his appreciation. Talk about luck!

The Second Division, up to date, has the banner man of the Printing Office Bowling League teams. Captain Hank Allen, of the Aldines, made the remarkable individual score for the second week of 267, which will be hard to tie. He stands at the head of the list of players, his entire score for nine games being 1,670 pins; average, 185.5

Chairman McCardell drew his own slug number (85) Saturday, when rush copy was about to be run out, thus designating him as the first to take copy. The copy stopped on slug 84, thus completing the circle of the room. Such a coincidence would be hard to beat. When Mac was asked why he didn't reneg he said the foreman saw the number first.

Slug 14 was recently presented with a gallon of the real native juice of Tennessee—"nectar fit for the gods." Money cannot buy it—at least north of the Mason and Dixon's line. Fresh and pure, distilled from the golden corn of Tennessee, the light of the moon gives it the rich tint and flavor known only to the gentlemen from Dixieland. Don't make a rush on the aforesaid slug. There isn't enough to go around.

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At the quarterly election for chairman and secretary held by this chapel Wednesday of last week, O. C. McCardell succeeded himself as chairman by a vote of 64, his opponent, D. R. Lyons, receiving 18 votes; scattering votes 8.

S. M. Simpson was elected secretary by a vote of 43, his opponent T. J. Arrington, receiving 33 votes.

Messrs. Sowers and Smoot acted as tellers.

W. G. Glenn, in a short speech eulogized the present incumbent for his tact and suavity and faithful performance of duty.

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Sixth Division.

W. H. Anglin returned last week from the second installment of his annual vacation.

No more base ball until Johnnie Williams takes his annual spring collection for the G. P. O. League.

The Sixth Division sick list shows a decided improvement since the close of the double-header base-ball season.

The Washington *Post* paragrapher says that "They Say" is usually a liar. Do you get onto that, Mr. Rough Writer?

Chas. E. Rudy, of the copy desk, was among those from this office who visited Harrisburg last week, the occasion being "home coming."

Maker-up H. M. McElfresh, of this Division, is on leave. Mc. is getting himself in shape for the strenuous nights to come when the *Record* starts

The postoffice clerks at Goldfield, Nev., went on strike last week on account of a reduction in wages. It was strikes that made Goldfield what it is today.

Shelby Smith has apologized and the I. T. U. officers have accepted the same without requiring the full punishment ordered by the Toronto convention. Let us now have peace.

During the absence of Referee Charles H. Buchanan, of the *Record* Proof Room, the arduous duties belonging to that position are being ably looked after by Arthur F. Bloomer.

From the large number of printers now residing in Washington, who once claimed Harrisburg, Pa., as home, I take it that the old burg is as good a spot to leave as it is to return to occasionally.

In giving a list of places where Union collars and cuffs may be bought, I think one of the firms included is on the unfair list. It's a bad idea to invite union men to buy union-made goods at a non-union store.

Friends of Frank H. Hambright were pleased to note his return to the *Record* proof room last week. Mr. Hambright is as popular with compositors and linotype operators as it is possible for a proofreader to be.

A. C. Norcross, Fifth Division bankman, returned last week after an absence of three months or more. Mr. Norcross is an M. D. by graduation and a part of his vacation was spent in the further scientific pursuit of his studies.

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On last Saturday Mrs. Silvey, the Sixth Division caterer, brought to us for our lunch not only roast beef and browned potatoes, but hash, baked beans, soup, peanuts, and fourteen kinds of pie. I'm glad I turned to be a reformer. Mrs. Silvey invites everybody, as she has plenty for all.

Joe Graves, the colored laborer in charge of the wetting down paper in the rear of the *Record* proof room, had the misfortune last week to lose a pocket-book containing $16 in cash. Its bad enough for a person earning $4 per day to lose that amount, but doubly so when the person's income is only half that.

Back from their travels through the East came Jack Desmond and Joe Sheehan, of this Division, on Thursday morning. During a vacation, which ended on that *day* the gentlemen touched only the high spots in Boston, Providence, etc. The Sixth Division let fly the green flag with the harp emblem in honor of their return.

L. P. Kenney, for some months past acting assistant foreman of the Sixth Division, has been appointed to that position permanently. For several years Mr. Kenney has been connected in an official capacity with the day *Record*, at other times a maker-up in the First Division "Y." He has seen service in various capacities inside the cage and his friends are pleased that his many years of faithful service have at last been recognized and rewarded. Here's to the new assistant.

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Philip Steele, chaplain of the First Division, last week received a postal card from Chas. H. Leeds, also of the First, which reads as follows, and to some extent shows the good time had by those who attended Home Coming at Harrisburg:

No time that I ever had can equal the present. Have met friends of the days of "Auld Lang Syne," who I supposed had passed over. We have drank, ate, smoked, and regaled ourselves with stories of ante-bellum days. I would not have missed the trip under any circumstances. The best is none too good for me. They call me "Colonel" up here.

That's good! I like to see every soldier have his proper title.

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Chas. E. Hawkes, late candidate for the I. T. U. presidency, was a caller on friends at the G. P. O. last week. No matter what the opinion of Mr. Hawkes' future chances for the presidency may be, or what is thought of his recent race for the same, the fact remains that he is an organizer of considerable magnitude, as the results already achieved in Philadelphia attest. He possesses ability in that line that goes to make him a valuable man in International Typographical circles, and it is sincerely hoped that President Lynch, who is by far too big a man to let personal matters enter where the good of the cause is concerned, will continue to avail himself of the services of Mr. Hawkes, when his work in Philadelphia shall have been accomplished. It's all for the eight hours anyhow.

Mr. Wm. Brockwell, of the Proof Room, has deserted the Sixth Division lunch hour knockers society. I am told he did not do so voluntarily, but was lured away by one Frank Smith, also a proofreader, who enticed him to the Third Division, on the ground that somebody over there had expressed a desire to hear him relate a funny story. It seems as though Smith, thinking it would give him a better standing with a certain party if he was seen in Brockwell's company, had designs on the victim he had selected to hear the story. So he takes Brocky over and has him relate to the man one of the very choicest of his many excellent stories. Now then, while the listener to the story was convulsed with laughter and in no condition whatever to be responsible for this act, the wiley Frank touches him and succeeds in securing a five spot. I do not say the transaction was not perfectly legitimate, but I do want "Brocky" to know why he was enticed away and to return home.

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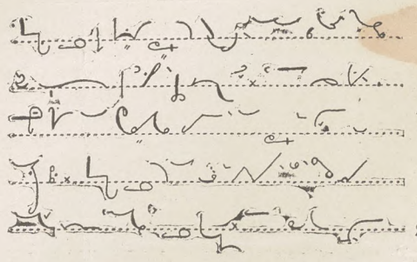
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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

To SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 333 I street s w.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

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Bricklayers, No. 1, meets second and fourth Thursdays in each month at Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. Milford Spohn, Secretary, 1238 Eighth street northwest.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—John G. Wolfe, Chairman, 1023 New Jersey avenue northwest; John T. Kenealy, Secretary, 1230 Four-and-a half street southwest; T. Costello, 37 K street northwest; Jos. Hutton, 809 F street southwest; James Murtaugh, 3160 P street northwest.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5, meets every Friday night at 7.30, in Hall 1, Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. George W. Nyman, Secretary, 1253 Eighth street northwest.

Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

Electrotype Molders and Finishers, No. 17, I. S. and E. U. Meets Wonn's Hall, 721 Sixth street northwest, the first Thursday of each month. H. C. Poppe, Secretary-Treasurer.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, Amalgamated, No. 148, meets second and fourth Wednesdays at 922 Pennsylvania avenue n. w. Martin Hellmuth, Secretary, 609 D street southwest.

Plate Printers Union, No. 2, meets on second Sunday in each month at 2.30 p. m., at Typographical Temple, 425 G street northwest. J. Edward Beach, President; J. C. Staats, Secretary, Kensington, Md.

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PIKELETS.

"ROUGH WRITER" AS A TAFFY SLINGER.

There are four chaps in the Second who will
need to be nursed,
Now, that toothsome taffy's been fed 'em by
the scribe of the First,
For, as they strut 'round the room, you can
tell in a minute
That no peacock ever hatched could expect
to be in it
With these worthies four, who, like the
peacock, puff up with conceit
Until they get a good squint at and a few
whiffs from their feet.

FALL-DE-ROL.

The fall of the year is with us once more,
See the dead leaves as they silently fall;
Meanwhile the chappie who's leave time
is o'er,
Must either work or shirk through it all.

A SPOT THAT WON'T OUT.

Despite the germs of Germany, the hunger of Hungary, the ire of Ireland, the rushing (from the Japs) of Russia, and the gobble, gobble, gobble of Turkey, the only Greece spot on the surface of the globe still continues to bob up serenely.

NONE OF IT FOR HIM.

Some unknown "poet" has perpetrated the following:

Clitter, clatter, clutter,
Poor me for the gutter.
Rather than peg one o' those pegging machines,
I would jump the caster for the horse marines.

"TAINTED MONEY."

Our versatile friend, Brother Patch, with becoming neatness, dispatch, has just incubated this hatch:

This talk about "tainted money,"
And how some folks have refused
To accept it (isn't that funny?),
In some good cause to be used,
Strikes me as a foolish "idee,"
For surely I wouldn't decline
Such a gift, if offered to me,
And am real sorry 'taint mine.

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

On a late trip to Ohio Gus Wisener met E. T. Dunning, formerly of the old First Division, now in the Railway Mail Service, attending a convention in Cincinnati.

W. J. Dow writes from his home in Missouri that he is now running three papers and would not return to Washington for any position in the gift of the Public Printer.

The neat sum of $800,000 is reported to have been paid by Mr. McLean for one-half interest, purchase from Robert Wilkins and his mother. John Wilkins retains a half interest.

I hardly believe the standard of excellence of the *Post* can be raised, yet Mr. McLean, witn his recognized vim and energy, will be found in the forefront in the contest for newspaper supremacy.

Thomas Carter, clerk to the Printing Board (the official designation of the Indiana State printer), and in the mentioned column for the Public Printership, was a G. P. O. visitor this week.

To wish him success in his new field of endeavor were trite and tame to apply to Walker Miller's departure, not far in the future, for Bellefontaine, Ohio, to engage in the hotel business. One of my axioms is to the effect that the best index to a man's character is the greeting he receives at the hands of his fellow-men, and the same applies with equal force to the leave-taking. Scores of my associates pronounce Mr. Miller "one of the finest," and I sincerely concur therein.

I've moved. In the language of one of the old English poets:

Aloof from the world, with its toil and
cares,
I've a neat little den up two pair o'
stairs.

The Treasury Department has rented two floors of the new *Times* building.

According to a circular issued by the Monotype Company, when the Lanstons are installed, the Government Printing Office, with its 100 Monotypes, will have the largest plant of composing machines in the world.

I look with disfavor on the idea of the Y. M. C. A. putting in a plant and have its younger membership issue a weekly or monthly paper. Let them give the contract for the mechanical end of the line to a local printer and the embryo editors will find more time for their talents in the editorial chair.

G. P. O. BOWLING LEAGUE.

The standing of the different teams in the G. P. O. Bowling League for week ending October 6 shows the Moroccos in the lead, with Aldines second. Allen, of the Aldines, leads in highest individual average McCarthy, of the Index, second, and Fitzwilliam, of the Commercials, third.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS.

	W.	L.	P.ct.
Moroccos	7	2	.777
Aldines	8	4	.667
Cow-Boys	7	5	.586
Index	5	4	.556
Foundry	5	7	.416
Commercials	5	7	.416
Reserves	5	7	.416
Pressmen	3	9	.250

MEMBERS STANDING.

Name.	G.	Pins.	Av.
Allen	12	2221	185
McCarthy	9	1600	177
Fitzwilliam	12	2078	173
Addison	12	2061	171
Walsh	12	2056	171
Herbeck	9	1528	169
O'Connell	11	1829	166
Carey	12	1991	165
Niehus	9	1492	165
Richards	9	1490	165
Dwyer	12	1984	165
Conroy	9	1480	164
Spaeth	9	1471	163
Glade	9	1473	163
Childress	9	1467	163
Atkins	9	1464	162
Schinnerer	3	485	161
Brown	12	1928	160
Clark	12	1903	158
Crump	9	1428	158
Duffy	3	475	158
Powers	12	1905	158
Cross	9	1409	156
Hoiby	9	1397	155
Wuesthoff	12	1871	155
McAloon	6	922	153
Williams	12	1854	154
Norbeck	10	1526	152
Schultz	7	1059	151
Holt	9	1357	150
Spence	6	899	149
Hoffman	6	891	148
Dohoney	3	444	148
Laframboise	5	739	147
Shawen	9	1323	147
Lednum	9	1326	147
Textor	6	878	146
McFayden	8	1162	145
Nachman	4	575	143
Splann	5	710	142
Arnold	9	1286	142
Wear	3	414	138
Wolf	6	832	138
Burkhardt	6	848	141
Sherman	6	824	137
Nevils	4	551	137
Johnson	3	412	137
Taylor	6	810	135
Webb	12	1606	133
Kukart	6	747	124
Nevins	4	499	124
Saltzman	3	361	120

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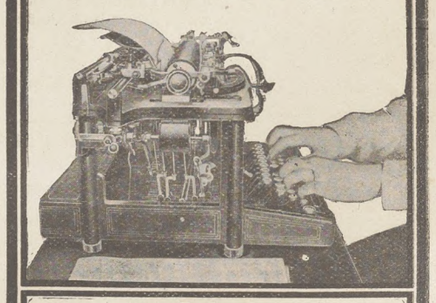

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

Eight-Hour Law Violations on District Work to be Investigated.

LABEL COMMITTEE GETS BUSY

Indorsements of Action in Gain Case—Sheet Metal Workers Claim Jolly Fat Men Club Addition is Unfair Job—Belasco Theater will be Fair House.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday, President McCarthy in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Painters Union No. 368: Thomas Sheahan, vice Thomas McGilton.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From International Typographical Union, bulletin relating to present fight for eight-hour day. Placed on file.

From Iron Moulders Union, No. 215, stating that they had withdrawn their delegates last August. Placed on file.

From Samuel Gompers, president American Federation of Labor, stating that he had received 500 copies of the Special Troy Edition of the *New York Journal* from Women's Trade Union League, of Troy, N. Y., and asking various secretaries to take the edition on sale for the benefit of locked-out Troy laundry workers. Placed on file.

Communication from Musicians Union, No. 161, asking that publicity be given the fact that the Belasco Theater (formerly Lafayette), on and after October 22, is fair to organized labor. Placed on file.

INDORSEMENTS.

The following Unions have indorsed action of Central Labor Union in placing Samuel Gain, master horseshoer, 1448 P street northwest, on the unfair list:

Butcher Workmen, No. 148.

Journeymen Horseshoers Union, No. 17.

Musicians Union, No. 161.

Carriage and Wagon Workers Union, No. 72.

Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101.

Columbia Lodge of Machinists, No. 174.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Contract Committee reported progress and stated that a vacancy was created on the committee due to resignation of Delegate McGilton.

Label Committee reported on work in hand and asked for an additional appropriation of $50, which was granted.

The committee also asked for an auxiliary committee to interest members of Local Unions in purchase of union-label goods. Request granted and Delegates Roberts, G. A. Adams, Templar, Pfau, Wolz, and Boyd were appointed.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Plate Printers: That the International Plate Printers Union had instructed its delegates to A. F. of L. convention to work and vote for adoption of resolution favoring erection of home for consumptive members of unions affiliated with A. F. of L., and asking that delegate-elect from this body be also so instructed. On motion, the delegate-elect was instructed to also advocate the measure.

Carriage and Wagon Workers: That they would give an entertainment at National Rifles Armory, November 17, for benefit of striking members of their International Union at Newark, N. J.

Grocery Clerks: That a few stores that had been visited by their representative failed to see need of union clerks and union hours and requesting appointment of a committee of two to aid in these cases. Request granted and Delegates LeClair and Sprague appointed.

NEW BUSINESS.

The attention of the Union was called to the violation of the eight-hour law on the part of the Carnegie Library, the Pennsylvania Bridge Co., and Connolly Construction Co., and on motion a committee consisting of Delegates Spohn, Feeney, Ring, Schmidt, and Roberts was appointed to investigate and when evidence was obtained that information be sworn out.

Delegate Ross, from Sheet Metal Workers, stated that the contract for the addition to the Jolly Fat Men's Club had been let to August Getz & Son, who in turn had sublet the sheet metal work to A. S. Reeves, and asked that organizations meeting at Fat Men's Club be notified. On motion the secretary was directed to notify the organizations meeting at that place of conditions under which work is being done.

E. M. Colton, professor of physology, was granted the floor, and gave an interesting lecture on "First Aid to the Injured."

Adjourned.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

For several days last week I noticed an unusual activity among some of the boys in East Gun Carriage Shop. Whispering conversations and secret conclaves were the order of the day. After considerable rubbering I discovered what it all meant. In recognition of his recovery from a serious illness, and as an appreciation of the many acts of kindness extended to the men under him, a surprise party was tendered to Assistant Foreman Lescallett last Thursday evening.

Possibly no one was more surprised than he was when a committee waited on him at the New Willard, and requested his presence at the home of Prof. Wm. Melton, at Buzzard's Point.

The boys, with their sweethearts, were there to welcome the genial foreman. Dr. Murray, the noted wit from Old Virginia, delivered the welcome address, which was creditably answered by Colonel Lascallet.

The evening was spent pleasurably in games and dancing. Prof. Melton presided at the piano and sang several of his coon songs in true Southern style. Dr. Baldwin was the happy and interesting toastmaster at the head of the banquet table. Every one enjoyed themselves, every body seemed happy, but none more so than their foreman.

TIM TICKLE.

Label Resolutions Adopted.

At the last regular meeting of Columbia Lodge of Machinists, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas the Union Collar and Cuff Workers of Troy, N. Y., have, and are at present, engaged in a struggle with their employers for living wages and conditions; and

Whereas the moral and financial support of Columbia Lodge, No. 174, International Association of Machinists, has been solicited in their behalf, which has been met with a substantial appropriation; and

Whereas: The Bieber-Kaufman Co.
George & Co.
Tennille
Eiseman & Bro., and
A. I. Levy,

at the suggestion of members of organized labor have stocked their stores with a full and complete line of collars and cuffs, bearing the union label, which, in our opinion, is a material advantage to those employed in that industry; therefore be it

Resolved, That Columbia Lodge of Machinists, No. 174, pledges itself to the patronage of goods bearing the union label, believing it to be the best and most powerful weapon of organized workers; and

Be it further resolved, That the action of said firms herein mentioned be given all the publicity possible among our own members and that the Secretary be instructed to forward a copy of said resolution to said firms as an expression of our appreciation, and that a copy be furnished THE TRADES UNIONIST for publication.

Bookbinders' Bowling League.

The members of the Bookbinders' Amateur Bowling League, otherwise known as the Grasshopper League, are certainly doing some very creditable work. Scores from 211, made by Chute, down to the ordinary 150 average, seem to come easy.

A great many members of this League were overlooked by the big League when they were forming, and as all wanted to bowl, and there not being a place for all in the big League, the bookbinders organized one of their own. Like other Leagues prizes will be given for the best scores, averages, etc., and the bookbinders who make up the League are bowling with a vim that undoubtedly will cause some concern when the time comes for distributing prizes. So far, the blank team have played in very hard luck, not having a single game to their credit, but as Manager Lew. Stark, of Detroit, has placed his undivided attention with the team, there is every reason to believe that the game scheduled for Friday night between Cowboys No. 1 and the Blanks will have a tendency to change the percentage column.

COLUMBIA UNION MEETING

Refuses to Reduce Mileage of Delegates to I. T. U. Convention.

BUTTE UNION OFFERS SUPPORT

W. S. Jenks, Stoves, etc., Unfair to Sheet Metal Workers—Memorial Service Committee—Newspaper Scale Committee Receive Instructions.

The regular monthly meeting of Columbia Typographical Union was called to order at 2 30 p. m. on Sunday, President Berg in the chair.

The reading of minutes of previous meeting were dispensed with.

Traveling cards received since last meeting were read and accepted.

On a question of personal privilege E. F. G. Hazle addressed the Union regarding a statement made by the physician of the Union Printers' Home, where Mr. Hazle had recently been a resident, which statement Mr. Hazle declared would injure him in pursuit of a livlihood.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.

The Membership Committee asked for further time in case of Newton S. Cologne, an applicant for reinstatement. The request was granted.

On application of Roy B. Gilliland for apprentice membership, a favorable report being made, he was duly elected.

On application of W. B. Donaldson for transfer from active to superannuated roll, the committee reported favorably, and report that Mr. Donaldson has been a member in good standing prior to organization of Columbia Typographical Society in 1854, and concludes "that he deserves well of the organization to which he has so long rendered faithful aid and honorable allegiance."

Bills amounting to $38.75 were read and ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From W. R. Harr, thanking the Union for resolutions on death of his father, Peter Harr.

From Sheet Metal Workers' Union, No. 102, stating that W. S. Jenks, 717 Seventh street N. W., stoves, ranges, etc., is unfair to that Union. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Central Labor Union, announcing that Samuel Gain, master horseshoer, had been placed on unfair list. Referred to the Grievance Committee.

From Butte (Mont.) Typographical Union, announcing readiness to send their entire eight-hour fund and levy extra assessment, if necessary, to asisst sister unions to win the eight-hour day.

Application from W. F. Talbott for re-admission to Union Printers' Home was presented to the Union. A committee having reported favorably on the application, it was ordered to be forwarded to Admission Committee of the Union Printers' Home.

LAWS COMMITTEE.

The Laws Committee, to whom was referred a part of the report in reference to imposing a fine on members buying the Philadelphia *Inquirer*, reported a substitute urging and requesting members from handling that publication in any manner, which substitute was adopted.

On amendment of Mr. Heisler, reducing mileage of delegates to I. T. U. Convention, the Committee reported the amendment back without recommendation.

A general discussion followed, and before a final vote could be secured, a motion to lay whole matter on the table was carried.

The Eight-Hour Committee presented the following resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote:

Whereas the contest for the eight-hour day in the book and job branch of the printing business has been in progress in some of our principal cities and many of the smaller towns of the country for several weeks: and

Whereas the spirit of loyalty displayed by our brothers in the Locals affected, resulting in many cases in complete victory, is a source of great gratification to us; and

Whereas the able manner in which the fight is being conducted by the Eight-Hour Committee of the I. T. U. meets with our hearty endorsement; therefore

Be it resolved, That Columbia Union No. 101, hereby extends to the International Eight-Hour Committee, and through it to the Locals involved, hearty congratulations upon the magnificent success thus far achieved.

Resolved further, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the International Eight-Hour Committee.

Mr. Steele, from Memorial Service Committee, asked for an appropriation of $100 to make necessary arrangements for proper observance of Memorial Service. The appropriation was made.

The Newspaper Scale Committee asked for instructions regarding method of procedure, and were directed to bring before the Union, at a special meeting, if necessary, the result of any conferences which might be held by the Committee and the Publishers' Association.

Mr. Roberts, from Central Labor Union, called attention to advertisement in the daily papers notifying the public what articles carried the label.

The President reported two deaths since last meeting.

The Secretary reported the result of the vote taken October 11 on propositions submitted by Toronto Convention.

The Secretary also announced that the attendance card of F. C. Roberts as delegate to Central Labor Union showed that gentleman to have been present at every meeting of that body during the third quarter of the present year.

Adjourned.

G. P. O. BOWLING LEAGUE.

THE ALDINES NOW IN THE LEAD.

By losing two out of three to the Index the Moroccos went down to second place during the week and the Aldines now lead by a small margin. The Index are now in third place, closely pressing the Moroccos for second place. The standing of the clubs follow:

STANDING OF THE TEAMS.

	W.	L.	P.ct.
Aldines	11	4	.733
Moroccos	10	5	.666
Index	9	6	.600
Cow-Boys	7	8	.466
Foundry	7	8	.466
Reserves	6	9	.400
Commercials	6	9	.400
Pressmen	4	11	.266

Allen, of the Aldines, has the best individual average, but McCarthy, of the Index, is slowly crawling up toward the top, less than 4 pins seperating him from the leader. Fitzwilliam is still in third place by a good margin. The individual scores, by clubs, follow:

MEMBERS STANDING.

Name.	G.	Pins.	Av.
Aldines—			
O'Connell	11	1839	166.2
Nachman	6	841	140.1
Beddow	4	601	150.1
Allen	15	2763	184
Crump	12	1888	157.4
Richards	12	2001	166.9
Schinnerer	6	926	154.2
Morocco—			
Hoiby	15	2288	152.8
Conroy	15	2476	165.1
Kukart	6	747	124.4
Herbeck	15	2468	164.8
Crass	15	2455	164
Deakins	2	310	155
Hope	7	1060	151.3
Index—			
McCarthy	15	2703	180.3
Childress	15	2437	162.6
Sherman	6	824	137.2
McFayden	8	1162	145.2
Saltzman	3	361	120.1
Atkinson	6	966	161
Wear	3	414	138
McAloon	12	1896	158
Murray	6	939	156.3
Cowboys—			
Dwyer	15	2452	163.7
Hoffman	6	891	148.3
Wuesthoff	15	2248	149
Sparth	9	1471	163.4
Duffy	3	475	158.1
Benker	3	457	152.1
Glade	12	2002	166
Laframboise	8	1123	140.3
Foundry—			
Addison	15	2574	171.9
Markham	2	255	127.1
Johnson	3	412	137.1
Briggs	3	455	151.2
Carey	15	2479	165.4
Brown	15	2410	160
Schultz	10	1561	156.1
Splann	5	710	142
Reserves—			
Norbeck	13	2004	154.2
Chamberlain	3	319	106.1
Arnold	9	1286	142.8
Atkins	12	1911	159.3
Walsh	15	2569	171.4
Texton	6	878	146.2
Niehus	12	1884	154
Long	3	492	164
Commercials—			
Williams	12	1854	154.6
Holt	9	1357	150.7
Wolf	6	832	138.4
Clark	15	2385	159
Fitzwilliams	15	2662	177.7
Spence	9	1417	157.4
Sturm	3	430	143.1
McDonough	3	460	153.1
Pressmen—			
Powers	15	2423	161.8
Webb	12	1606	133
Lednum	12	1796	148
Burkhardt	6	848	141.2
Shawen	12	1764	147
Williams'	3	339	113
Taylor	9	1148	127.5
Dohoney	6	878	146.2

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ROBERTS REFLECTIONS.

The Letter Carriers' Association have, by a unanimous vote at their biennial convention, decided to erect a $200,000 national home for their members at Colorado Springs. The Association has secured a site of 160 acres adjoining the Union Printers' Home. It is also understood that the Brotherhood of Carpenters intend building a home at the Springs.

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Central Labor bodies are a great school. There one learns something of the many phases of the labor question. It is a kind of a graduating class, and the ambitious fellow who is desirous of representing his respective Local in its International body would be better qualified to wrestle with trade and economic questions after serving about six months in the average Central body.

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Keep people from thinking and just so long will "wrong rule the land and waiting justice sleep."

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Emigration nearly reached the high water mark last month. While we legislate against the manufactured articles of the Europeans, we are receiving the European himself by the thousands.

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Many a young man is on the cigarette road to destruction.

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The fellow who wants to let in the Chinese is putting the dollar above the man.

"Tim Tickle," the Navy Yard's couragous correspondent for THE TRADES UNIONIST, quotes Judge Dayton in last week's issue. The ex-Congressman (now Judge) tells us that he only cast two votes while a member of the House which he now regrets. One was against the Chinese, the other on the oleomargerine bill. Of course, the Judge is not sorry for having voted against the amendment to the naval construction bill. The bill carried with it an appropriation of some $12,000,000. The purpose of the amendment was to have all the work on our battleships done under the eight-hour law; but the Judge voted against the amendment. But that was his last term in Congress. He had no more favors to ask of the trade unions in his district.

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Trade unions have done much to eradicate religious and political prejudice, but the real work they have started out to do must come from within the hearts of men. Workingmen must come to a full understanding of the word brotherhood, which, as practiced to-day, is barely more than empty sound.

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Trade unionists should bear this one fact in mind, that under our form of government and industrial system the road to economic and political justice is through the ballot-box.

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Remember it is the white children who are being forced to work in our mills and factories in the South while the colored children are going to school.

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Should trade unions go into politics? is the question often asked.

As trade unions, no; as trade unionists, yes.

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The labor movement has not yet outgrown the necessity for keeping partisan politics out of the Unions.

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A woman, who, when purchasing, insists upon being waited on by a union clerk, and also demands the union label, is a very potent factor in maintaining and upholding the union shop principles.

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With all of Russia's cruelties she will not allow children under 12 years of age to work in a mill or factory.

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It is easy enough for a man to be happy and go through life with a smile when the world has given him right kind of work to do, when it has placed him in a easy place and where he can achieve his best, but the fellow who has an uphill fight and whose lines are thrown in rough places, choking down what might have been and a faithful doing of what is, and always meeting you with a smile, is the one who wins our admiration.

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Some union men may differ with William Jennings Bryan on some of his economic questions, but it goes without saying they will indorse the following taken from his Labor Day speech in Omaha, Nebr., and which was published in the October number of the I. T. U. *Journal:*

There are certain things which the laboring man has a right to ask of society. Let me enumerate a few of these. First, he has the right to ask for reasonable hours, and I believe that the eight-hour day is a reasonable request. When we remember that eight hours are required for sleep and something like an hour and a half for eating and a considerable time for going to and from labor and removing from the person the effects of labor, it will be seen that an eight-hour day does not, after all, give a man an unreasonable time with his family.

The wage-earner is not a beast of burden; he is a human being. He has his family, and time must be given for association with his family. Besides, he is an intelligent being, and time must be allowed for mental recreation. He is a political factor also, and time must be allowed him for preparation for the fit discharge of his political duties. He is also a moral being and a member of society, and he has the right to claim a sufficient time for the discharge of his obligations to his fellow man and to his Creator.

We can not expect the laboring man to be what he ought to be physically, mentally, morally, socially and politically if he is driven from his couch to the shop and from the shop back to his couch. While this question primarily affects the laboring man, it in a broader sense affects us all, for we are so knit together that we can not separate ourselves from each other or subject any portion of the community to injustice.

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While union men may differ as to the best policy to pursue, let it be an honest difference.

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Some men take more interest in their fraternal orders than they do in the unions which have made it possible for them to become members of the secret societies.

F. C. ROBERTS.

NATIONAL UNION NOTES.

"Every member get a member."

Our grand old Order will have many accessions this winter.

The Cabinet will do its share toward arousing renewed interest.

G. P. O. Council, No. 211, of the National Union, will give another of its delightful receptions at an early date. Friends can prepare to have a good time.

Congressional Council held an interesting meeting last night. That earnest worker and prince of good fellows, Senator Jesse B. K. Lee, was present and made an address.

Lest we forget, Leo Canman, of Chicago, Ill., honored us with a call during the week. "Bismark" as Mr. Canman is known all over the United States, is a prominent member of the National Union. For many years he has been Chairman of the Committee on Finance of the Senate. He was warmly greeted by the membership.

Prompt, of course. The late Wm. A. Hartman, a $5,000-member of the G. P. O. Council, No. 211, National Union, passed away Thursday, September 6. Council draft No. 7389, in favor of his widow, Mary A. Hartman, was mailed from the home office at Toledo, Ohio, on Wednesday, October 4, within thirty days. During the time of his membership there had been paid in $939.90. Certainly a judicious investment. Reader, have you made any provision for the loved ones dependent upon you, should you be summoned hence?

Unusually prompt. On the 12th of September last, Jno. W. Dutton, a long-time employee of the G. P. O., and a charter member of G. P. O. Council, No. 211, National Union, passed away. Draft No. 7394, in favor of the widow, was mailed from Toledo, Ohio, October 4. The total amount paid in was $702 96. Certainly a wise forethought for the loved ones. Have you a family dependent upon you? If so, have you provided for them in case you should suddenly be called home? Be prudent in these prosperous times, that there may be no regrets in the future. The cost is insignificant compared to the attained results.

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FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

Henry Rush Boss, president of the Chicago Society of Proofreaders, has sent me proof sheets of his proposed work, "Old-Time Printers of Chicago," to which I had already contributed my mite. It occurs to me that there are many here who have Chicago recollections of the more or less old time, and I know Mr. Boss would welcome their contributions. As it is a labor of love with him, it is a graceful thing for all to assist in the work who can. There is Charlie Danenhower. From the number of times his father, W. W. Danenhower, is mentioned, I am sure he could furnish a number of pages. L. C. Hay is another who could write an interesting chapter. F. N. Whitehead perhaps could not go further back than the '50's, but I'll bet he has some hot memories. George M. Ramsey has had experiences there which, with his ability as a writer, he could make into a valuable account. Joe M. Johnson also formerly made Chicago a stamping ground and must remember things. Maj. C. A. Vaughn formerly knew every brick in the city, and it is impossible that he could not make a thrilling story of Chicago in the past. But I cannot begin to enumerate those who are capable for this work. It ought to be understood that all that is wanted is the personal experiences of individuals who have been employed in Chicago in former days. Their histories need not extend back to the time of the Flood, nor even of the Great Fire. They may not have had anything very thrilling in their own experiences, but they knew people, printing establishments, newspapers, etc. This is what is wanted. All history is made up of scraps, and every man who has ever been in Chicago can furnish a scrap. I am not authorized to make this appeal, but I know that Mr. Boss will be glad to get contributions, and I feel a personal interest in the success of his work. Names, happenings (be they ever so trivial)—these are what is wanted. Anyone who will furnish whatever reminiscenses on these lines he can address them to Mr. Henry R. Boss, 232 Irving avenue, Chicago, or turn them over to me and I will see that he gets them. I will gladly show the proof sheets of the portion of the work already in type to anyone who is interested.

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In a number of labor papers that I have seen the closing episode of the celebrated Shelby Smith case is treated as the martyrdom of a noble-minded union man who sacrificed himself in the interest of unionism. In point of fact, he was treated with marked leniency, when his offense and the verdict of the convention is considered—a verdict passed by too large a majority to be honestly claimed to have been obtained from a controlled convention. Nor is it true that he willingly surrendered for the good of unionism, as is patent from the fact that he made the preliminary move toward securing an injunction from a court against the carrying out the verdict of the convention. It was because he no longer had Philadelphia Union behind him that he complied with the modified sentence—a modification that many claim the Executive Council had no right to make.

Mr. Smith is unfortunately constituted. He is a fighter, not knowing that there are other and better ways of accomplishing objects. He is never a constructionist—always a destructionist. He never advocates anything, but puts forth his best efforts toward combating what others favor. As an organizer his method of trying to induce men to join the union would be to call them "d——d rats." He would never win over an antagonist in a thousand years. His methods are those of the bully, the "bulldozer." He is pointed to by his followers as phenomenally honest, but it is an honesty that does not prevent any of the practices customary at elections. Denouncing alleged intervention of men in high places, he does not hesitate to solicit such intervention in his own interest. His partisans are largely composed of those who are the enemies of some one who Smith opposes. They stand by him not from love of him, but from hatred of somebody else.

Mr. Smith is now a closed incident. And let me say that I have written of him as I have from an honest estimate of his character as far as I am able to to make it, for I have never had a personal disagreement with him. Let us have some good work done in Philadelphia in the way of building up the union, dropping personal antagonisms and personal ambitions. Let us have less I. T. U. politics and more unionism there; more persuasion and less abuse; more molasses and less vinegar with which to catch the flies. Let the money provided for missionary work be devoted to that purpose and not to the providing of salaries to certain parties.

The fact that Philadelphia is the "rattiest hole in America" need not be discouraging to the point of disheartenment. I can remember when Milwaukee was entitled to that designation, and now she is union to the core. Philadelphia can be redeemed, and there are prominent union men there with memories long enough to know the proper mode of procedure.

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The injunction is being played to the limit by the Typothetæ in a number of cities, with judges sufficiently prejudiced against organized labor to grant anything asked. It would not seem possible that anyone would grant an injunction prohibiting a man from speaking to another in the street, but it has been done. If the courts can prevent men from getting justice by intervening when lawful means for the accomplishment of a lawful end are being resorted to, then the courts are the most active propagandists of anarchy in the country; for anarchy has no home in a land where there is the same law for the rich and the poor, but breeds rapidly where the distinction is too great.

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The victory of Orient Commandery, No. 5, in the Knight Templar competition last Thursday, was due in no small measure to the printer and G. P. O. members, there being in line, in addition to Sir Knight Joseph M. Stelle, as first lieutenant, Sir Knights John R. Berg, A. F. Bloomer, George O. Burke, William M. Garrett, Samuel C. Hinwood, Clement C. Hipkins, Wilbur Huson, Joe M. Johnson, Jerome Kendall, and Edgar M. Trainham, all being printers with the exception of Burke and Huson, who are watchmen. Besides these there was Sir Knight John E. Bonini, who has heard enough type set to be a printer. It was a glorious victory for the "baby Commandery"—in point of age.

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Col. John R. McLean has bought a half interest in the Washington *Post* and Mr. Scott C. Bone has resigned as managing editor. What the connection is between these two facts I have no means of knowing, but it is a fact patent to everybody that the greatness of the *Post* as a newspaper began with the editorial control of Mr. Bone, and if it continues it will be largely due to following his methods. I hope Mr. Bone may not be lost to Washington newspaperdom, though I have nothing whatever on which to base that hope. There is room in Washington for another great morning paper.

Since the above was written I learn that there is a rumor that Mr. T. F. Walsh, the Colorado millionaire, contemplates the establishment of a morning newspaper here, and that Mr. Bone will be the managing editor. If Colonel McLean reduces the *Post* to the literary condition of the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, his other paper, and Messrs. Walsh and Bone start a paper with the literary excellence of the *Post* of the past, the Colonel will have hard work holding the *Post* up to the mark it has made as a great advertising medium, for advertisers use the papers the people read. The people of Washington have been too long accustomed to a good morning paper to accept a yellow substitute. But I learned long ago to distrust rumors of new papers.

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The Union last Sunday (very properly, in my judgment) refused to reduce the mileage of the delegates to the I. T. U. convention from 5 to 3 cents per mile, or to submit such a proposition to the referendum. The argument made several times—that nothing but the actual expenses of the delegates should be paid—sounded strangely like the old argument of our employer, "You can live on that, can't you?" The vote on the salaries of the I. T. U. President and Secretary-Treasurer last week puts us in the very inconsistent position of demanding the highest wage for ourselves but refusing them to our employees. The order of ability demanded for those officers is not to be reckoned by the pay of journeymen in the trade. But I have frequently found the most insistent union men the hardest taskmakers and the most illiberal paymasters when they became employers. "Take all you kin git and don't give up any more than you have to" is the selfish rule of a selfish man.

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If any of you fellows are disgusted with the freeze-out-at-65 "fraternal" insurance associations and want still to provide for your families, I can cheerfully recommend the Tribe of Ben Hur. On the only occasion it had to change its rates it respected the contracts it already had out and raised the rates on the new members only. The uniform payments are $1 a month, and that pays for $1,500 for those less than 25 years old, $1,400 up to 29, $1,300 up to 33, $1,200 up to 37, $1,100 up to 40, $1,000 up to 33, $900 up to 45, $800 up to 47, $700 up to 48, $600 up to 49, and $500 up to 50 years old on admission, and by paying $2 a month you can take a double-header. It is worth something to be in an association that respects its contracts. Deputy Supreme Chief A. L. Randall, 1207 First street northwest, or Chief E. F. Latham, or Scribe Voler Vladmir Viles, both in the First Division, G. P. O., can tell you all about it.

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That was an enjoyable meeting of the Union we had last Sunday. You ought to go some time, just to renew old acquaintances, and incidentally, to strengthen your unionism a little. The only kickers against the amount of the union dues are those whom I never see at the meetings.

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One of the chaps who came under discussion between us the last time George P. Nichols, of Baltimore, came over was old Manny Geary, foreman of the New York *Herald*. There is a sterling union man for you, in whom his foremanship never made any difference in his unionism. It is over thirty-five years since I first put him on my visiting list, and though I never worked under him as a foreman, I know that he is not much different from what he was when "running the bank" in 1870 He was an I. T. U. delegate from "Big 6" in the 'way back, has always been prominent in union politics, and, different from many New York City foremen, never had occasion to apply for a coat of "whitewash."

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The papers last Monday announced the death of Mr. Louis D. Meline, a brother of Mr. James F. Meline, Assistant Treasurer of the United States. The deceased was the husband of Miss Manche Hosman, whom the older employees will remember as formerly a compositor in the Government Printing Office.

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R. C. Hardesty, formerly a proofreader in the Main Proof Room, who went to Colorado about six years ago in search of health, returned to the city last week on a visit, looking as though he had found what he sought. He is the editor and publisher of the Berthoud (Colo.) *Bulletin*, and fortune has smiled upon him in the Centennial State.

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The other day I received a copy of the *Georgetown-South Seattle News*, and about the same time a letter from one of its publishers, Lon A. Shimp, for so many years one of us here in the Capital City. He speaks very modestly of himself as an editor, but says he has the satisfaction of knowing that he is giving his patrons satisfactory service and at the same time making more money than he did in the G. P. O. His paper is unusually well printed and his "ads" show the taste of the capable printer. He says, "You and Kreiter and others like you"—are there any others like us?—"have my best wishes. I want you to continue writing for the *Journal* and the UNIONIST. I get them both, pay for them, read them, and enjoy them. That's all." That's a sort of Wilson's whiskey ending, which will never be the ending of Lon Shimp. I congratulate him and rejoice in his prosperity and independence. There's many a man wasting his time in the G. P. O. for whom an opening is just gnashing its teeth in its anxiety to get hold of him.

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Charles W. Fear, of the Kansas City *Labor Herald*, has been elected a fraternal delegate to the Presbyterian Ministers' League of that city, representing the trades unions, and Rev. William Carter has been elected a delegate from the Presbyterian Ministers' League to the Industrial Conncil of Kansas City—a sort of exchange of representatives. I have often thought that the clergymen would know more about religion if they would get into closer relations with and study trades unionism more.

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The announcement has been read by all in the I. T. U. Eight-Hour Committee's bulletins that "on October 7 George M. Cornelius resigned from the Typothetae and signed with the Union." Many will remember Mr. Cornelius as a proofreader in the G. P. O. not as long as ten years ago, and he was employed here for a number of years in that capacity and as a compositor. I am glad to see him set himself right, knowing that his sympathies have always been with the Union, of which he was long a member.

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Among the "printer ladies" whom I saw at the field day of the Knights Templars last week were Mrs. C. C. Thompson, Mrs. Joe M. Johnson, Mrs. John A. Huston, Mrs. Frank A. Kidd, and Mrs. C. C. Hipkins, and they were among the strongest "rooters" Orient Commandery had. Perhaps the term "printer ladies" is a misnomer, for to the best of my knowledge Mrs. Johnson is the only printer among them.

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I struggled hard at the union meeting last Sunday to keep Next Delegate Sonny Gunn's mileage from being cut down, and by the aid of James Monroe Kreiter and others I succeeded. I helped most by keeping my mouth shut. Miss Teresa McDonald appreciated my efforts also. Doing good for others constitutes a large portion of my occupation and I never tire of it.

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I don't know why I was dragged into the fracas between Shrope, of Easton (Pa.) *Journal*, and Maupin, of the Lincoln (Nebr.) *Wageworker*, but I enjoyed the chestnutty youthful "experience" of the latter in Missouri, for I feel sure that was where he acquired his idea of journalism—to rush into the fray and make a smell like a skunk.

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A. W. Sefton, Jr., for many years a compositor in the G. P. O., is now connected with the Omaha *Labor Advocate*, according to my information. I have not seen the paper, but if he is not getting out a handsome one it is not from want of skill. Sefton put in some time in the Mountain States after leaving here.

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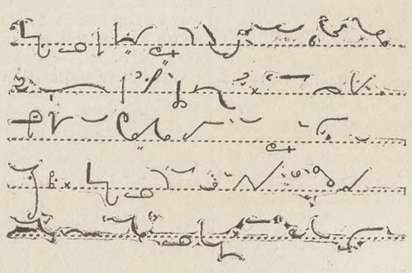
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AMUSEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

THEATERS.

CHASE'S THEATER.

A vaudeville bill, very pleasing to the patrons, moving at a lively pace and the audience departing in exuberant spirits, was the class of show that made a hit at Chase's this week.

"Ye Colonial Septette," a sketch with three very effective settings, was one of the best of the bill, and served to drive away the sameness. Horskey-Bergere and Company also contributed an extremely humorous little play of the French variety which was well received.

Harry Davenport gave some interesting caricatures of English types. The sisters and brothers Ford appeared in clever dancing.

The show is billed under the general caption of the Orpheum Show, and, considering from start to finish, is amply of sufficient merit to afford an evening's amusement.

BELASCO THEATER.

With Monday next comes a new departure in the theater world of Washington, when the well known playwright, David Belasco, opens up under a new name the Lafayette Theater. He has signed agreements with the unions and will conduct the Belasco Theater fair to organized labor.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

Phil. Nachman had a severe attack of rheumatism during the week.

Hold up. "Walk to the elevator," "cut out" the hurrying. Move slow.

During the week Dan L. Sansom, G. G. Wilson, Jr., and Comrade E. Douglass King have returned from their leave.

George H. Ball, of the "Ring" correctors, recently of Maine, struck his 31st milestone. Good thing he so informed us, for he don't look it.

Another discovery over in the Second Division, that Compositor W. E. Holt very much resembles Mr. Wm. A. Leavitt, manager of the "Y."

Latest advices from Oscar Nelson, formerly of this Division, inform us that he has located at Los Angeles, Cal. But he is still in bad health.

Information reaches us that our friend, Townsend, has returned to the city, but owing to his protracted illness he has been obliged to go to the hospital.

Joe Dierken, of the "front office," accompanied by his youngest son, James, is down at Colonial Beach superintending the cutting of next year's ice; so says Geo. P. Dowell.

Well, who did it? Who mislaid the fruit lady's display board? No, we will not believe that the Harrisburg trio—Bentz, Orth and Templar took it up to the Home week demonstation.

Did you subscribe for this copy you are reading with so much interest, or did you "swipe it" from your neighbor? Only cost 10 cents the round trip. Interview Fred. Berger, and he will do the rest.

Don't you know that down at our lunch counter in the Sixth Division, presided over by that excellent caterer, Mrs. Silvey, there are a lot of literary fellows "feed their faces" every week day. Good feed? Well, rather.

Oscar Nelson, who recently resigned from the Fourth Division, we understand, has located at Los Angeles, Cal. That he may not only recover his health, but be successful in his business enterprise—fruit raising—is our wish.

Dr. W. E. Philes, of New York, a compositor in the old Doc. Room for a number of years, we are pleased to learn, is a successful practitioner of medicine, with residence at 1349 L street northwest. Always glad to record the prosperity of any of our associates.

A letter received by Jake Lesher from ex-Secretary Lillard states he is enjoying himself to the fullest extent. A reply, written by not less than twenty-five acquaintances, made up as a "long sixteen," has been mailed to Montgomery, Ala. Would not life be miserable without the funny man?

Our fellow-compositor, Mr. John R. Moss, was married on Thursday last to Miss Mattie B. Hughes by the Rev. Dr. Pitzer, of the Central Presbyterian Church. The newly-wedded couple are passing the honeymoon in New York. Congratulations are hereby conveyed to Mr. and Mrs. Hughes.

Shake, Homme Vrai, the new and very interesting correspondent of the TRADES UNIONIST from the center of news, the Second Division, likewise the abiding place of poets. Why not a correspondent from each Division? Then the TRADES UNIONIST would be a veritable letter, indeed, to the absent printer.

Congratulations, Slug 2, on your photograph as it appears in the last issue of that most excellent exponent of the "art preservative," the *Inland Printer*. George, your friends can always guess you under any and all circumstances. How about that Printer Primer we were delighted to hear in the dear old Bill Room, twenty-five years ago, when under the efficient management of the late Mark Woodward?

A veritable unexpected boom was flung into "Wall street" last Wednesday morning when three ex-readers—Messrs. Chas. A. Morgan, Ira Merrill Ingalls, of Indianola, Iowa, and F. W. Kern, of the Great Middle West, were regularly transferred to the Proof Room. Rumor Committee immediately went into executive session, and decided unanimously that the night force would be organized between the present and Monday, December 4, 1905.

Burnside (not Frank E. S.) Jack, of the "floor-bunch" is going to move "after the 20th." Not very definite; opposite his present residence; first block on R street northwest. We have been informed that each member of this chapel will receive an invitation to participate, between the hours of 5 p. m. and 5 a. m. There will be plenty to drink, as the new filtration plant will then be working to its utmost capacity. Sunny Jim is authority for this statement.

Chas. W. Radley, among one of the most popular members of our great big Union, took advantage of the last $10 excursion to Buffalo, and has gone to his home town. Never mind the Home week, you Harrisburg Indian. "Doc," as he is familiarly known, has been an exemplary member of 101's Auditing Committee. Say, Division 1, what's the matter with getting "Doc." in the running for next season's Delegatorial election? Naturally modest and retiring, this suggestion would not have been advanced, were he at home. 'Rah for Rad; he's all right. Three R's. *See.*

ROUGH WRITER.

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Second Division.

"Jerry" Dennison was transferred on Wednesday to the Mergs.

W. J. Gould and George P. Philips have just returned from leave.

D. R. Lyons was transferred to the Sixth Division on Wednesday.

Foreman Milo Shanks went to Richmond, Ky., to vote during the week.

L. D. Wheeldon wrenched his shoulder some time ago, and has not yet recovered from the injury.

Billy Lowd, who, until recently, was working in Atlanta, Ga., in one of the city hospitals, is dying. His ailment is consumption.

That checkers is a popular pastime goes without saying, from the number of players engaged and spectators who watch the games with interest at noon hour.

W. F. Schooler photographed a statue of the late Senator Ingalls. The photo was utilized by a Western firm to illustrate a calendar. The artistic effect is excellent.

Chas. H. Buchanan, who ran for delegate, but was not able to land a winner, called on us last week. He is a gentleman who deserves success should he again try for the honors.

A. T. Maupin, formerly of this Division, who resigned on account of ill health and became an inmate of the Soldiers' Home in Tennessee, is reported to be greatly improved.

Some more of that Tagalog copy we set last week would have the printers of this Division in the same state of mind in which the Spess people were purported to be—that is "*ulul*" (crazy).

The members of a Davenport, Iowa, Woman's Club have declared they would not receive goods from delivery wagons whose horses wore new harness that did not have the Union label stamped thereon.

A letter from a lady living northeast directed to Chairman McCardell requesting him to take 100 euchre tickets for disposal was addressed: "Dear Mrs. McCardell." As the chairman is not married, the letter was evidently intended for a gentleman of the same name in the First Division.

A Government insurance bureau would mean not only insurance for Uncle Sam's employes, as they have in Germany, but also blanks and forms for tabulating to be printed, and that would mean increased employment for the printer man, something very much needed at the present time.

Thos. J. Galvin, Sam T. Esmay, Jas. E. Harper, Charles Banes and W. H. Davis were transferred from the Specification to this Division Thursday of last week. On Monday of this week C. I. Leonard, Geo. H. Ogle, John N. Race (temporary), John H. Smith, Fred O. Whitman, and John C. Yates joined Division.

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Sixth Division.

W. I. Reed, the Sixth Division cartoonist, was absent last week on account of illness.

Merg Operator Gene Smith is subbing in the *Record* Proof Room, a slight affliction of the arm rendering him temporarily unable to operate a machine.

Chas. H. Buchanan, the Proof Room reviser, returned to work on Monday afrer a pleasant vacation. Much of his leave was spent in the company of Horace Whittaker, proofreader on the Spess, angling in the water of the upper Potomac.

Clement Allen, of this Division, returned on Monday, from Alabama, to which state he was called last week to attend the funeral of his brother, a prosperous planter, who was murdered by a colored laborer.

Philip Steele, of the Memorial Committee of No. 101, promises that this year's Memorial Services will eclipse anything of the kind so far given. The interest taken in these services continues to increase with each year, and the committee is putting forth every effort for the success of the one to be held in December this year.

At the Knights Templar field day meet at the country home of John R. McLean last week, Orient Commandery carried off the prize in the drill contest. This may be due in part to the fact that Orient Commandry is composed in a large proportion of printers, among whom from this Division are Foreman John R. Berg, Maker-up Jerome Kendall, and Joe M. Johnson.

After seventeen years of service as managing editor of the Washington *Post*, Mr. Scott Bone has retired from that position. A friend of the printer in general, and the *Post* printer in particular, his retirement from active newspaper life in Washington will be deeply felt by the knights of the stick and operators of the composing machine who make up Columbia Union's membership. The good wishes of Washington printers will follow him where're he may choose for his future field of operation.

Now that we may soon expect cold dreary days, when it will be anything but pleasant to spend the noon hour out in the open, it is to be earnestly hoped that Mr. Ben Lineback, the Job Room basso, will again organize his seventh floor warblers and prepare to give a few more of those popular noon hour concerts. Mr. Lineback need not necessarilly confine himself to the seventh floor for his talent, for in every Division will be found men (and women where they are employed) with ability and willingness to band themselves together in an organization with the object in view of a noon-hour entertainment now and then.

In reporting to the Union on Sunday the amendment to change the mileage allowed to delegates to I. T. U. conventions from 5 to 3 cents per mile, the Laws Committee did so without recommendation, thus turning it over to the Union for discussion. There are many good points both for and against such a proposition as brought out during the debate which followed, but it is extremely doubtful if any action taken at present would stand until the next delegates are safely on the road to Colorado Springs. In fact the July meeting is about the only time when action on the subject could be taken that would stand until the delegates had safely started on their August trip.

In the last issue of the *Typographical Journal* my good friend correspondent James Monroe Kreiter refers to the fact that not least among the Presidential possibilities this year for the local union is Z. T. Jenkins, of the Main Proof Room, of the G. P. O. Thus Mr. Kreiter shows a familiarity with the opinions of a great many G. P. O. printers commendable. Mr. Jenkins is one of the limited number of men who, as the standard bearer for the G. P. O., would be most likely to retain the presidency of Columbia Union for the big shop against the strongest candidate from down town. He has been an active participant in union affairs in a modest way for many years, seeking nothing in the form of an office for his reward. Being associated with no particular inside or outside ring or faction, with a well-known reputation for wisdom and conservativeness, there are many members of Columbia Union both in the office and down-town who share Mr. Kreiter's opinion that Mr. Jenkins will prove to be the Moses who will lead the children of the Swamp to victory and to glory in the coming spring election.

Every indication at the present time points to the fact that the International Typographical Union is meeting with success in its efforts for the inauguration of a universal eight-hour day. Although boldly proclaiming satisfaction with existing conditions the Typothetæ in many cities where strikes are on plainly shows the fallsity of its statements by a resort to the courts and the securing of injunctions against striking employes. Poor old Typothetæ, in its death struggle it has my sympathy. Reserving to itself the right to send emissaries broadcast throughout the land, and by false representation and other contemptible methods induce contented employes to desert their employers, it appeals to the courts for protection by injunction when members of the Typographical Union seek by peaceful methods to show these employes the error of their ways, desert the Typothetæ shops under the ban, and become respectable printers. A resort to injunction is the surest indication that the Typothetæ is fighting a hopeless fight. The universal eight-hour day is an established fact—Typothetæ or no Typothetæ.

The result of the recent referendum vote shows a mighty interesting state of affairs. For one thing it shows the local membership is opposed to most anything that would increase the salaries of the president and secretary of the I. T. U., at the same time it voted in favor of sending the Business Agent of the Printers Home on nothing more nor less than a junketing trip to that institution "at least once" during his term of office. In the wording of the proposition printed on the ballots to read the Business Agent to the Home "at least once" during his term of office those who prepared the same in Indianapolis showed a remarkable aptitude for deception. From the wording on the ballot it would appear that the Business Agent was neglecting his duty in not attending meetings of the Board and should be made by those in authority to do so, when the truth of the matter is the Business Agent is a non-salaried position with no duties whatever to perform and the only good reason for desiring his presence at the Home "once in a while" is that somebody may thus be able to pay off an obligation by giving out a first-class junketing trip to Colorado Springs at the expense of the I. T. U.

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Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

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From the Spess:
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Now, it would be a good idea if—but then so many are making suggestions just now I'll mark mine "postponed indef."

George Saunders, who resigned from the G. P. O. eleven years ago to become one of the publishers of Bluffton, (Ind.) *Banner,* was a visitor this week.

Charlie Warren is proud that his son, an exceptionally bright lad of 14, has been assigned to a position in the Commandant's office, at Washington Navy Yard.

The words of the song, "Hurrah for the Man that Dies," rendered by the Masters Roberts on the occasion of his father's anniversary on Saturday evenlast, were written by Mr. A. F. Bloomer.

H. S. SUTTON.

A good name doesn't last more than a minute after the sewing circle has turned the X-ray on it.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Specification Notes.

This week's issue of patents is 618; trade-marks, 276.

The "ring" force is increased with machine composition.

Miss Brown now leads in the record for speed as Lanston operator.

Carter has moved into the city from his summer villa at Washington Grove.

Alley 11 now carries the banner since the election of Chairman McCormick.

Fifteen started in the free-for-all keyboard contest. Three have enough and have dropped out.

It has been several moons since the symposium of this Division went out of business, by request.

A surprise came last evening when McCormick, Sturm, Drayton, and Evans were transferred, all headed for the *Record.*

The Specification claims the distinction of according to women privileges equal with men, and the proof room is now nearly 'alf and 'alf.

Walker Miller attended the Hagerstown fair and returns with some fairy tales which would read well as a part of that old town's almanac.

McCormick was an easy winner for chairman out of the bunch which entered the contest at the last election. Mr. Morcock declined a renomination.

Sturgis was called in from his vacation, while fishing in West Virginia, to answer a summons and give testimony in the apple case, at Lockport, N. Y.

The issue of trade-marks for the past four months, under the new law, has been 3,052, or an average of 763 per month. To date over 12,000 have been filed.

Tom Collins has his friend Brockwell beaten a mile in the story he tells of a colored brother down in the Tar Heel State, entitled "The Best Thing in the World."

The newspapers are giving the names and portraits of those oldest in continuous service, but have so far failed to mention the octogeraniums of the "Spess."

When Billy Howlin took the first instalment of overflow reels from here to the casters at the main office, he was hectored by the remark that he must consider himself the "reel thing."

The newspaper that collects its news after the manner of the scavenger or garbage collector finds little favor in this neck o' the woods. We feel that Uncle Sam is quite competent to attend to his own rubbish.

Sam English is spending the first half of his annual leave with kinfolk in the northern part of Pennsylvania. He is accompanied by members of his family. The trip embraces Niagara Falls and portions of the great oil fields of Pennsylvania.

The following have been transferred from here to other Divisions since last report: John N. Race, John H. Smith, John C. Yates, George H. Ogle, James R. Long, Willis L. Hall, Fred O. Whitman, Owen L. Carter, H. C. Dobbs, and Louis Carroll.

Fred Davis has been heard from by postal in the far West. The illustration is of father, mother, and several children clad in garments which help to make the group look even more "Dutchy," if possible, with the trademark inscription: "All made in Germany."

Mrs. Richard W. Burkhart will give a complimentary song recital, assisted by Dr. J. W. Bischoff, of the Congregational Church, on Friday evening, October 20, at 8.15 p. m., at the Ninth Street Christian Church, corner of Ninth and D streets northeast. Members of this Chapel are cordially invited.

George Saunders, erstwhile a reader on this work, but who resigned about eleven years ago to engage in the publishing business at Bluffton, Ind., is now in the city and was a welcome caller during the week. George was especially fortunate in the friends he made and they are pleased that he is prosperous in his present field of endeavor.

Woman's Auxiliary Euchre.

The Euchre Club of Woman's Auxiliary of Columbia Union, 101, meets on Friday, Oct. 27, at Typographical Hall.

The prizes will be numerous and useful.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend and help the Auxiliary along in its laudable cause. Membership tickets can be had from any member of Auxiliary.

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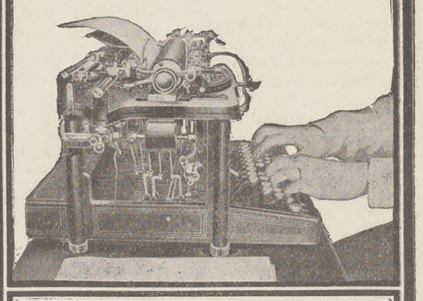
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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

Retail Clerks Declare Dave Wolf and C. Auerbach & Son Untair.

TRADE AUTONOMY IS INDORSED

W. S. Jenks & Co. Placed on Unfair List—Horseshoers Still Actively Fighting Gain and Lynch—The Grocery Clerks Union Union Making Great Progress.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.15 p. m. on Monday, President McCarthy in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Grievance Committee reported progress.

CREDENTIALS.

Retail Clerks Union, No. 262: D. F. Manning, vice Joseph Bradley, resigned.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Sheet Metal Workers Union, No. 102, stating that W. S. Jenks & Co., 715 Seventh street northwest, had been placed on their unfair list, and asked similar action by the Central Labor Union. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Retail Clerks Union, No. 262, asking that Dave Wolf and C. Auer bach & Son be declared unfair, and stating that—

For some time past these two firms have been notoriously antagonistic to our organization. Although having signed our agreement to close at 6 and 9 o'clock and employ members in good standing of our organizations, both have absolutely refused to comply with their contracts. Committees from our Local have time and again waited upon them in an effort to adjust this difference, but having failed to do so, we now ask your honorable body to indorse our action in declaring these firms unfair to organized labor.

Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Steel and Copper Plate Cleaners, endorsing amount for dues and change of secretary's address. Placed on file.

From Local No. 99, International Union of Steam Engineers, asking indorsement of following resolutions:

Whereas during the past few years there has been a great deal of internal strife among the various organizations connected with the American Federation of Labor, caused by some of these organizations refusing to concede the right of trade autonomy, as assured by the A. F. of L.; be it therefore

Resolved, That the Central Labor Union of Washington, D. C., present a resolution to the A. F. of L., convention soon to convene in Pittsburg, demanding that that body enforce Sec. 2, Art. 2, of the Constitution of the American Federation of Labor, thereby granting strict trade autonumy to each National and International organization affiliated with the A. F. of L. which will allow these organizations to use the time taken up in repelling the attacks of their sister organizations in upbuilding their own.

The resolution was indorsed.

From Retail Clerks Union, No. 262, indorsing the placing of Samuel S. Gain, master horseshoer, on the unfair list. Placed on file.

From Stationary Engineers, No. 99, indorsing placing of Samuel S. Gain on the unfair list. Placed on file.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Horseshoers Union, No. 17, called attention to John Lynch being on unfair list.

Retail Clerks called attention to their grievance against Dave Wolf and C. Auerbach & Son.

Musicians reported that the Lafayette Theater, now known as The Belasco, had opened up as a union house so far as the musicians were concerned and asked that the Lafayette Theater be taken from the unfair list.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Special committee on eight-hour law violations reported progress.

Special committee on Grocery Clerks Union early closing movement reported that efforts were successful in securing signatures in certain cases referred to the committee.

Label Committee reported having issued placard showing wearing apparel that bears the union label.

Adjourned.

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SCULLIN SCORED.

The Central Labor Union Repudiates the Apostle of Peace.

At the Central Labor Union on Monday night, it being represented that another attempt would be made by P. H. Scullin to arouse interest in his scheme, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, By the Central Labor Union, of Washington, D. C., that inasmuch as, generally speaking, there abides today in the city of Washington the most friendly relations between organized labor and the employers of labor, and very generally the means are provided for carrying into effect the policy of conciliation, mediation, and, if necessary, arbitration of any dispute which may arise between them; and any effort to the fullest development along these lines made by any one meets with our hearty approval; yet we regard any extraneous effort, made by any one that can in the least possible manner discourage or confuse the efforts made by organized labor of the District of Columbia as unfriendly and antagonistic to the interests of organized labor, the employers, as well as the general public of the District. And we respectfully warn labor, business men and the general public against the pretensions of an interloper by the name of P. H. Scullin, whose record wherever he has worked his pretended scheme for peace has proven injurious to all.

On Tuesday evening a meeting was held in the rooms of the Master Builders Association, John R. Galloway being chairman of the meeting.

Mr. Scullin explained the plan of organization and read the constitution and by-laws of the Association, the principal feature respecting membership being a life honorary membership for $100, or $1 per year.

Conrad Syme, an attorney, made one of the opening addresses, in which he betrayed a deep interest in the plan proposed. He was followed by several other gentlemen, and then a call for Samuel Gompers was made.

President Gompers said in part:

"A man who will not stand squarely in favor of industrial peace in these times must have bid good bye to his reason. Industrial peace is coming of itself, and the labor unions are trying to bring about that condition. The government has no right to interfere, as it would be curtailing freedom of the individual.

At the conclusion of his address Mr. Gompers asked Mr. Scullin to read a letter that Frank Duffy had sent him, but Mr. Scullin denied having received the communication.

Mr. Scullin completely lost his temper in his own defense, and claimed that he was being persecuted.

In answer to a question from H. W. Sherman, secretary of the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Mr. Scullin said it was not necessary to success of his plan to have labor unionists become members of the Association.

Bearing on the visit of Mr. Scullin to this city the following letter was received from Denver, Colo.:

I see by the TRADES UNIONIST "Patrick Henry" Scullin is in your midst getting ready to make a clean up, and I write to warn you so he may not bull con. the labor organizations, as he does everywhere. We endorsed his plan here, as he will show you, though the principle of arbitration is nothing new to us, as he laboriously tried to make us believe.

As soon as he got sufficient endorsements he started out two solicitors to work the town and cleaned up a good bunch, going from here to Chicago. We found, however, he had all kinds of endorsements and worked both sides of the street.

One of his agents had endorsements from the Chinese Six Companies, promising if Chinese would contribute Scullin would have a law passed repealing the exclusion act.

Scullin was not satisfied he was getting his share of the swag and haled the solicitor into court to make him give up the endorsements. Then the whole matter was aired, and we found we had been entertaining just a plain grafter.

He has the appearance and manner of honesty, and what he proposes is in our constitutions, but few seem to know it. Well, to make a long story short, the Trades Assembly adopted resolutions showing him up and telegraphed to the Central Labor Union at Chicago, his next stopping place, to keep our fellows from being imposed on.

We supposed he would quit after this, but I see he and his brother are still after easy money. He uses endorsements obtained in one town to get them in the next.

You are at liberty to use this letter at the Central Labor Union if you desire, and you can get a copy of the resolution we passed by writing to S. G. Fosdick, secretary of the Trades and Labor Assembly here.

I was president of the Assembly when Scullin was here and presided at several meetings for him to blow off his wind. I was suspicious of him, but others of our delegates (printers) thought I was wrong, and our union gave him his first $10.

When he was shown up those who doubted my judgment were the ones to try to see he did not graft on others. You have him on your hands, so you may tell him I say he is a grafter and is all things to all men where a dollar is in sight. If he and his brother don't quit the business, Gompers should send a general notification to all Central Labor Union bodies. While he can't do the labor movement any particular harm his promises to the Chinese, etc., don't show he wants to do us any good, except to get our money.

Fraternally,

W. E. S.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

The Chinese Must Not Come.

There seems to be a well-defined policy of interested parties to induce Congress at its forthcoming session to let down the bars to the hordes of Chinese coolie laborers so that they may come into the United States and its possessions. Some ministers of the gospel also are consciously or unconsciously giving their services to this venal project. If consciously, they appear to be more concerned in the welfare of the Chinese than of the American people. If unconsciously, they should study the facts and the history of Chinese immigration into the United States and other countries.

Of course, there is reason for complaint against the indiscriminate immigration of peoples from other countries, and all realize that some better regulation and restriction are essential in regard to this, but such classes of immigration can not be considered on parallel lines when discussing the immigration of Chinese laborers.

The Chinese are unassimilable. Their civilization is entirely at variance with that of the American people. The Chinese and the Caucasians can not live, prosper, and progress side by side in the same country. The whole history of Chinese immigration to any country on the face of the globe in appreciable numbers has demonstrated this time and time again. They have dominated wherever they have entered, unless they have been driven out by the force of arms or excluded before their numbers were permitted to attain an overwhelming influence. Their domination is not because of higher attainments, but because of their subtlety, their lack of wants, interests, or desires; because they are cheap laborers and cheap merchants, and thus industrially and commercially freeze out their competitors, the American workmen, and even the American business men. This has been demonstrated on the Pacific coast and in the Sandwich Islands, as well as in the Philippines.

American workingmen realize the great danger, not only to them and their interests, but to all the people of our country. Business men, students, and observers are in entire accord upon this question of the necessity of excluding Chinese laborers from coming to the United States.

Workmen are second to none in their regard for their fellow men without consideration from whence they hail; but they would be less than human did they disregard the lessons of the past and the dangers which would threaten not only their standard of life, but every hope for the safety of themselves in the present and those who will come after them.

The economic, social, religious, and political life of our entire people is at stake in this question, and they will not tamely submit to a false sentimentality to please the few sordid profit mongers who, for a slight momentary gain, would endanger the future of our republic. Aye, they will not submit even to the possibility of this backward movement though it ruffles the sentimentality and vanity of a few ministers of the gospel who, by the way, might better devote their talents and energies to the effort for the uplift of the workers of our own country.

The so-called Chinese boycott of American products, the activity of the sugar planters of Hawaii who have again evinced their love for the Chinese, the subtle tactics pursued in certain quarters by employers antagonistic to organized labor, the effusions of some preachers—all bear the stamp of a carefully concocted plan to "modify," with the hope of ultimately nullifying, the entire policy of the American people to keep the Chinese from coming to any place where our flag flies.

The American workmen, the American people, must be equally, if not more, alert than those who would, either for the greed of gain or a false sentimentality, undermine our civilization.

The bars must not, and will not, be let down for the Chinese.—*American Federationist.*

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G. P. O. BOWLING LEAGUE.

The race in the Government Printing Office Bowling League continues close, with the Aldines in first place by a small margin over the Index. The Moroccos dropped during the week from second place to a tie with the Foundry for fourth position. The Reserves and Commercials are tied for sixth place, with the Pressmen bringing up the rear. The standing of the teams follow:

	W.	L.	P.ct.
Aldines	12	6	.666
Index	11	7	.611
Cow-Boys	10	8	.555
Moroccos	11	10	.524
Foundry	11	10	.524
Commercials	8	10	.444
Reserves	8	10	.444
Pressmen	4	14	.222

In individual average Allen still leads, with McCarthy second and Fitzwilliam third. Allen's 267 is still high for a single game. The individual averages follow:

Name.	G.	T. P.	Av.
Aldines—			
Allen	18	3304	183.10
Richards	15	2503	166.13
O'Connell	14	2323	165.13
Crump	12	1888	157.4
Beddow	7	1075	153.1
Schinnerer	9	1397	155.2
Nachman	6	841	140.1
Index—			
McCarthy	18	3265	181.7
Atkinson	9	1530	170
McAloon	13	2055	158.1
Childress	18	2842	157.16
Murray	6	939	156.3
McFayden	11	1622	147.5
Wear	3	414	138
Sherman	6	824	137.2
Baxter	3	379	126.1
Saltzman	3	361	120.1
Cow-Boys—			
Glade	15	2553	170.3
Dwyer	18	2940	163.6
Sparth	9	1471	163.4
Duffy	3	475	158.1
Benker	6	969	161.3
Wuesthoff	15	2248	149.13
Laframboise	11	1615	146.9
Hoffman	9	1395	155
Nevins	4	499	124.3
Morocco—			
Crass	21	3497	166.11
Conroy	21	3388	161.7
Herbeck	20	3190	159.10
Holby	21	3264	155.9
Hope	13	2022	155.7
Deakins	2	310	155
Kukart	6	747	124.4
Foundry—			
Carey	21	3554	169.5
Addison	21	3502	166.16
Brown	21	3494	165.19
Schultz	15	2206	147.1
Splann	6	857	142.5
Johnson	6	871	145.1
Briggs	6	870	145
Bowan	3	404	134.2
Commercials—			
Fitzwilliam	15	2662	177.7
Clark	18	2951	163.17
Williams	15	2397	159.12
Spence	12	1850	154.4
Holt	12	1803	150.3
McDonough	3	460	153.1
Beckert	3	426	142
Sturm	3	430	143.1
Reserves—			
Walsh	18	3114	173
Atkins	15	2460	164
Long	6	966	161
Niehus	15	2346	156.6
Norbeck	16	2465	154.1
Arnold	9	1286	142.8
Textor	6	878	146.2
Pressmen—			
Powers	15	2423	161.8
Dohoney	9	1406	156.2
Shawen	15	2254	150.5
Lednum	15	2242	149.7
Burkhardt	6	848	141.2
Webb	15	2003	133.8
Taylor	9	1143	127.5
Sample	3	352	117.1
Williams	3	339	113

The Light of Experience.

[From the St. Louis *Progressive Printer* for October.]

The past month has been one of experience to printers, but not of revelation in the prologue of the Typographical Union for the eight-hour day. They took by the forelock the seeming intent of the Typothetæ to loose the bands of the closed shop and declare their factories to be open shops, by requesting proprietors to declare at once that they would accept the eight-hour day under present conditions, January 1, 1906, or that they would not, and in the latter cases of men were called out. "Seeming intent" is used advisedly, because the languishing of purpose among employers and the final death of the cause in many cities, some of them where every member of a local Typothetæ had signed a resolution to declare for the open shop, made their forelock an easy tuft to pull out. And so again it transpired that the lamp of experience is lighting the way to success for the organization with the simpler but more significant title, and unless all present indications fail the shorter work day will be adopted January 1, 1906. Outward show made the Typothetæ appear formidable—in assemblings, demonstration and reiterated resolutions; but to meet a determined adversary there must be "that within which passeth show," there must be conviction, sincerity, principle, a universal conscience, and a single purpose on which all are united, or that body not possessing these qualities becomes a band of pilgrims waiting to be shown.

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ROBERTS REFLECTIONS.

The Central Labor Union of this city has gone to considerable expense in advertising union label goods. Large display cards have been printed, which bear the names of articles having the union label. Such cards will be distributed in all the public places throughout the city. The rest lies with the members of organized labor. Remember, every dollar spent for non-union goods is a dollar spent to fight union shops with.

Are you a worker or a shirker in the labor movement?

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A few years ago members of organized labor thought the limit of improved labor-saving machinery had been reached, but improvements are still going on and on. It cannot be stopped, and should not if it could, but the men who after years of service at their trade, are entitled to some protection where the "iron man" steps in the shop or workroom. In every instance organized labor should see that whenever a machine is installed which means the laying off of help that members of the trade so affected will control such mschines. The union that does not take such precaution is not giving its members the protection they deserve.

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The trade unions are the supreme factor in maintaining the standards of American living, and the strike-breaker and open shop advocates are pursuing a policy that, if successful, will result in the lowering of American manhood and womanhood.

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It does not take much courage for a fellow who is backed up by civil service as well as Federal law to refuse to obey the will of the majority of his union. But the time may come when he may not be surrounded by such protection:

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When organized labor issues a proclamation to its members it has no police force, army, or navy to back it up, but can only appeal to the moral sense of its members.

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While labor unions have built up through half a century of suffering and struggling, they still invite the non-unionist to come in and enjoy the fruits of others labors.

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Among the many undesirable things the Industrial Employers' Association stands for is: To oppose the union shop, the limitation of apprentices, the restriction of output, and a wage scale fixed by the employers.

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The American Federation of Labor has enrolled under its banners over 2,000,000 members. Of course the Executive Council of the A. F. of L. has not the power to levy assesstments upon all members affiliated with it, but if they did have and levied an assessment of one cent a day for one year for each member it would amount to $7,300,000. With such a fund on there would be fewer strikes.

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The injunction issued against the striking printers of Chicago and elsewhere are clearly unconstitutional, and will be so declared when tried before an impartial judge. The writ of injunction in its proper sphere is a right and protection, but it was never intended to be used in industrial disputes. There is not a line upon the statute books, whether it be State or Federal government, which gives the courts any authority for issuing such sweeping injunctions every time there is an industrial dispute. It is not the law of the land, but a man-made law. It is the abuse and not the law organized labor protests against. To restrain men from meeting, paying strike benefits, asking men to join the union is taking away from them certain rights guaranteed to the people by the Constitution of the country.

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The Executive Council of the International Typographical Union has sent out an appeal for an additional assessment of fifty cents a week to help carry on the eight-hour fight. Columbia Typographical Union 101 voted in favor of the eight-hour day by a handsome majority, and now its up to her members to stand by their officers who are only carrying out the union's instructions. It would be a disgrace on any organization to vote men out on strike and then refuse to make proper provisions to care for its members while out. Some may say, "I do not believe our officers are managing the strike just right." But remember it is so easy to find fault, and this is no time for fault finding. The International Typographical Union is engaged in a war which means the very life of the book and job branch of the International Union, and organized labor throughout the country is watching the result of this struggle. The printers cannot afford to lose, for if they do the open shop—which means the death of all unions—will be firmly established. No doubt many men who walked out of the shops when ordered to do so may have voted against the inauguration of the eight-hour day just at this time, preferring to wait, but when they were called upon to obey the will of the majority they cheerfully did so. They are now out, and it is the moral duty of the majority, at least, who voted them out to see that they are properly taken care of. Anything less on the part of the membership of the International Typographical Union will be an everlasting disgrace.

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It does seem strange that under the dome of the Capitol the eight-hour law is being violated.

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The Central Labor Union has appointed committees to bring the violators of the eight-hour law in the District into Court.

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The Washington *Star* tells us that "Mr. McCall had no legal right to money belonging to others for political purposes." There are hnndreds of men in prison to-day for illegally using other peoples' money, but it's dollars to doughnuts that McCall will not land there.

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The strike breaker sells himself for thirty pieces of silver, but too often lacks the grace which caused "Iscariot to go and hang himself."

F. C. ROBERTS.

Ben-Hur Notes.

The public today is thinking most seriously in regard to co-operation protection.

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The net gain in the emergency fund for last year was $99,444.75.

The gain in membership for the first six months of the year was, therefore, but 2,295 less than the entire gain in membership for all of last year, while the increase of the emergency fund was $2,991.79 more than the entire increase of last year.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1905.

The I. T. U. demands that
EIGHT HOURS
shall constitute a workday

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

The Eight-Hour Bulletin of last Saturday shows that the battle is progressing satisfactorily. In all places our members are standing as firm as a stone wall, and it is impossible for the employers to get rats to do their work. Realizing their dependence on union labor, in many places they are offering to consent to the eight-hour day, conditioned on the "open shop." As the "open shop" is another name for the "rat shop," of course such propositions are not being considered. Ample evidence that the employers mean "rat shop" when they say "open shop" is found in the fact that every advertisement for printers and kindred tradesmen is for "non-union" men.

The Executive Council have asked for more money—fifty cents a week from each member—and it should be given cheerfully. It is too small an amount to seriously discommode us, and to vote it and pay it is our duty. I know that too many of our members have never had any practical experience of the value of the union and will hesitate to vote the required money; but none of us know how soon we may need the protection of the union card in seeking work in other cities, or which of us may need it, because of reductions of force made necessary by the machines. I have no doubt our officials will protect us as far as possible, but they will be unable to withstand demands from higher authorities. It will be a satisfaction, in obtaining work elsewhere, to find the hours no longer than we have been accustomed to, which were given us years ago at the request and demand of the unions all over the country which now ask our assistance.

In some of the cities, notably Chicago, they are paying 10 per cent of their earnings as union dues, and without protest, though the newspaper men, who comprise a large proportion of the membership, are directly as little interested as we are personally. But we should never lose sight of the fact that the welfare of the craft at large is very liable to affect us personally in the near future, when every possible way of reducing the expenses of the public printing is being considered. If the eight-hour day should fail in the country generally, an economically disposed Congress may increase our hours.

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James R. Alford, here for ten years or so, then in the Philippines for a couple, delegate from Manila to Toronto, has returned to his old home, Nashville, and "taken up the white man's burden," for the winter, at least, according to the Nashville *Labor Advocate*.

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In Buffalo another strike-breaker had experience of the unfairness and deceit practiced by the Typothetae. Under promise of free transportation and $17.50 a week, he went from Philadelphia and was hustled into the office and to work without a square meal. At the end of the week he was told that $12 for transportation and $6 for the cot in a back room and the imitation board furnished were deducted from his first week's pay. He left and Buffalo Typographical Union gave him the first square meal he had had since leaving Philadelphia. These facts he made affidavit to. Oh, it's great to be a "free workman" and not under the domination of the trades unions!

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The strike-breaker has no rights that his employer is bound or inclined to respect.

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The Denver *Daily News* of October 16 had a lengthy and remarkably well-written communication from W. E. "Kid") Shields on the subject of municipal water service and municipal conditions generally. It is an article that necessarily attracted attention and set people thinking who probably never before had the habit.

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The Pressmen's Union of St. Paul, composed of seventy-five members, unanimously voted $500 to the printers to help in carrying on the eight-hour fight, with the information accompanying the donation that there was more where that came from. Six dollars and sixty-six and two-thirds cents each—that was a noble contribution! But that shows the spirit that pervades the ranks of all the printing trades in the present determination to have the eight-hour day. Money is all that is needed to win the fight.

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I. T. U. President James M. Lynch addressed Syracuse Union, No. 15, at a special meeting last Sunday. That is his home city.

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Have you ever seen a man toss a coin to decide whether he should take a drink or not? If he loses the first throw he makes it "the best two out of three," and, losing again, "best three out of five," and so on until he gets the drink. So it is with the man who "wrestles with God" for divine guidance when he wants to do a contemptible thing. He simply keeps on "wrestling" until he gets the permission—according to his theory. A yellow dog can always find justification for being one.

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From the president of the Chicago Society of Proofreaders, Henry R. Boss, I have received the third edition of the Proofreaders' Stylebook of that Society—an invaluable guide in offices where they have no set style. Its decisions are logical and in keeping with the practices of the best printers. It is for sale by the Ben Franklin Company, 232 Irving avenue, Chicago. Price, 30 cents.

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"My opposition to the trades unions of England is not because of the unions per se, but because I consider their methods bad," said Mr. William Darcy, a prosperous manufacturer of Manchester, at the Arlington. "If I were a workingman myself I would decline membership in the unions for one reason alone. They reduce all men to a dead level of pay and position, irrespective of individual cleverness, ambition, and industry. If I am a member of the union and am willing and able to perform twice the labor of my stupid and slothful neighbor, I am stopped from getting any wages in excess of his."—*Washington Post.*

This stupid argument is often exploited, the fact that it is utterly untrue making no difference at all. I have never heard of a union forbidding an employer to pay a workman more than the scale of wages which it formulates. It fixes a minimum below which a mechanic may not be paid, but it never prescribes that he shall receive so much and no more.

A year or so ago a California contractor made the same argument to me.

"I am compelled," said he, "to pay a poor mechanic the same wages as a good one."

"You are not compelled to hire the poor one at all," said I.

"Yes, I am," said he. "I can't get enough good ones."

"Then the poor one is worth what you have to pay, the same as an order of lumber, or you would not hire him. You must have his labor. You must have the lumber. Yet you pay the market price for the latter without a whimper, but you want the militia to reduce the cost of the former."

But it is strictly untrue that the union prevents a man from rising, for we have countless instances of union men getting to the top as superintendents, managers, etc. The union does prevent scaling wages down, but never finds fault with scaling them up. In non-union districts, where unions do not affect even by example, what do you find? The best workmen getting about what union men do where unions prevail, with all the others trailing behind at from two-thirds to half that amount. Is that a seductive picture to hold up before the mechanic? Is it any injury to a man receiving a certain pay to know that a less efficient man is getting as much? Do his wages buy any less or can he save less on that account? No two men are absolutely equal in ability; therefore we say that a man is worth so much, and as much more as his employer is willing to give him, but that if he is employed at all he must receive so much.

The idea of Mr. Darcy and all his kind is that we should go on the principle, "Every man for himself and the devil take the hindermost." It is not the interest of the man at all that they have in view, but what they think is their own. Mr. Darcy knows that he can go into his shop and pick out the best men and order that they be paid 25 or 50 per cent advance without anybody making any complaint. But what hurts is that he cannot go and order that certain workman be reduced 25 or 50 per cent. But if his claim were true, which would be the better for the good of mankind—that a few get large wages and the greater number beggerly ones, or that all get fair wages?

Our argument for the union is that the employer can oppress us individually, but collectively he cannot. And the employer's argument against it is the same, but put in different language and from a different standpoint. Associations are formed because more can be accomplished by working collectively than singly. I think it is more than probable that if Mr. Darcy were a workingman he would not only be a member of a union, but one of those who are eternally kicking for their rights and perpetually enlarging the range of those rights.

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In reply to an inquiry of mine, at the instance of sundry and divers Texans, I have received the following from William A. Wilkinson, of Austin. While it may not satisfy all the hunger for information, it will have to be taken as the best that can be done under the circumstances:

AUSTIN, TEX., *October 19, 1905.*

Although I have used due diligence to relieve the anxious minds of the inquiring Texans as to the habitat of the esteemed Tobias Greason, once of Olathe, Kan., I am only partially able to do so. The last reliable news located him in a little Eastern Texas piney woods town, where he was publishing a paper in the interests of a new religious sect flourishing in that locality, he being one of the elders or deacons. I have no idea what their platform is. In addition to religion, he has accumulated piratical-looking whiskers. Further information as soon as possible.

W. A. WILKINSON.

If anything further transpires throwing light on the interesting mystery, "What has become of Toby Greason?" it is a safe gamble that THE TRADES UNIONIST will be the first in the field with the news.

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A Western friend writes to know if I do not think the Executive Council is just a little too arbitrary in discontinuing on their own authority the publication of the itemized monthly expenses. They may be some arbitrary, but probably more than make up for it in being discreet. To publish during a great strike just how we are spending our money in carrying out that strike would be to furnish our enemies with information that might enable them to thwart us. He asks, "If the Executive Council has no confidence in the general membership, how can they expect the general membership to have confidence in them?" If there were any way of informing the general membership without telling all the world, the question might be a good one. There is scarcely an important union meeting held anywhere that the press do not get the facts and publish them to the world, if they want them. I think the secrets as to how the money is being expended in carrying on the strike are much safer in the breasts of the Executive Council than those of the general membership, and I am ready to permit them to stay there until the trouble is over.

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It is a little amusing how some of the rabid anti-Lynch organs threaten what they will do to all of the friends of the Executive Council as soon as the eight-hour fight is settled. Do they think they have the only collection of rotten eggs and stinkpots? Are they the sole proprietors of the English language? Do they judge from the filthy condition of their own minds that they have a monopoly of nasty words? Of course there is never any good accomplished by such a warfare, but it is useless to treat a hog as a gentlemen or a filth eating jackal as anything else than he is. All of them that I know of could be cheaply bought and have been; but, reckoned by the influence they wield, they would be dear at any price.

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Here is a letter received by Poole Brothers, of Chicago, who, like the other non-union offices there, are scraping the country in their efforts to seduce country printers to give up their jobs and go to work for them. I have heretofore published letters showing the kind of treatment country printers receive who go to Chicago to become rats, and a Chicago rat employer does not differ from his kind elsewhere. Mr. Smith was evidently on to their game, for here is what he says:

ASHLAND, WIS., *October 13, 1905.*

POOLE BROS., 116 Harrison St., Chicago, Ill.:

GENTLEMEN: Your circular letter of the 10th inst., offering me a position in your printing office in Chicago, received. You are undoubtedly right in your idea that "a job in Chicago" is an alluring bait to the young and inexperienced country printer; but you are wrong in some of your conclusions. You offer me $19.50 per week of 54 hours in an "open" shop, and steady work "providing I give satisfaction." You assume that I am working for $12 per week.

I am receiving $19.25 per week, am now working nine hours a day, and after January 1 will be working eight hours a day at the same pay. The lowest wages paid to printers in this town is $15 per week. Last June a scale was presented to the employing printers in this place calling for eight hours a day. After due consideration, hearing the employes' side of the case and talking the matter over, the scale was accepted and every printing office proprietor in the town signed it.

In regard to the statement that the country printer has a limited chance to rise in his business, let me tell you that the percentage of country printers who get above working at the case, or who go into business for themselves, is four times greater than that of the city printer.

Another thing, the country printer is on better terms with his employer, has less trouble and fewer disputes, has a better chance to have a home of his own, a better, pleasanter and a very much more healthy place to work, and if he is married a far better place to bring up a family. You are right in saying that it is not the money that a man makes that constitutes a good job—it is the pleasure, the health and the good things that the money will buy for him.

The best thing that a country printer can do is to stay away from unhealthy, trouble-infested Chicago, strike or no strike.

I know of only one printer in Ashland who seems to be dissatisfied with the place, and as soon as he sobers up I will hand him your letter.

Very respectfully yours,
FREEM SMITH,
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I am under obligations to Otto F. Thum for being placed on the XT list of the *Miner's Magazine*.

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Editor of THE TRADES UNIONIST:

My name is mentioned in THE TRADES UNIONIST last week in connection with alleged slander on my good name. Now I wish to withdraw my remarks in that connection, being fully convinced that it is not within the power of these men to do me injury. Malice and Slander have been silenced by Success, and a better light having come into my life by the redeeming and sustaining power of God's wonderful love, I most humbly and sincerely apologize for any words of mine written or spoken that may have given offense.

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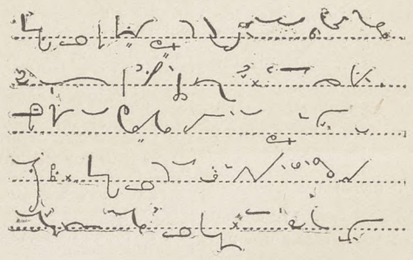
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The vaudeville bill at Chase's is lively from start to finish. All of the numbers are entertaining, most of them depending for effect on good comedy, cleverly dispensed. There is Berzac's circus, after the good old one ring type. The whole combination is interesting, creating new sensations in the minds of the young and reviving old memories in those of their elders. Abdel Kader gives a fine exhibition of sketching in water colors. The Elinore sisters appear in their mixture of song and comedy. George W. Day contributes his black-face monologue and vocal number. Rae and Brosche furnish a laughable satire on married life under the title, "A Woman of a Few Words." Salerno gives a juggling performance far exceeding the ordinary article in merit. Kimball and Donovan render some artistic selections on the banjo.

Special Eight-Hour Assessment.

Chairmen of chapels are directed to take the vote on the proposition to levy an assessment of 50 cents per week per member, for the purpose of assisting unions now on strike for the eight-hour day, on Monday, October 30, setting the most convenient hour between 1 and 6 p. m. The Secretary's chapel polls will be open from 4 to 7.

All chapel votes must be in the hands of the judges at the Temple by 7 p. m., after which the count will be commenced by the board.

JOHN R. BERG.
President.

GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

Only two "taking out" leave this week—John J. Quinn and Jacob Persinger.

The very best sort of Unionism is the brand that is manifested by deeds rather than words.

Those football rushes, noon and evening, at the elevators, are things of the past. Glad of it.

The "Smith case" should be permitted to rest in its deep grave, with no hope of a resurrection.

Did you see that letter the Acting Mayor of Blooming "L"—Jack Walsh—received the other day? It was a cracker-jack.

Reilly's cigar store, across the way, is one of the busy places at 12 and 4.30 p. m. each week day. But there are "other places," says the watchful print at our elbow.

"They say" that Captain Randall is thinking sensibly of instituting proceedings against some of those "left-overs" at Colonial Beach that warm Sunday night in August.

Ex-Treasurer Whitford, of G. P. O. Council, No. 211, of the National Union, who has been critically ill the past few weeks, shows marked improvement. Cheering news.

Harry B. Major is Acting Foreman of the Fourth in the absence of Foreman Roberts. Compositor C. E. Morton, of Alley 45, in the old building, is the "Man behind the Cop Box."

If every man in the ranks of organized labor was a worker for the cause as tireless and effective as Philip S. Steele, Unionism would be a more dominant power in these United States than it now is.

A fine, new member has been added to Mayor Young's constituency out at Bloomingdale since Jack Burnside moved "across the street," in the residential building on which $700 worth of repairs had been made.

"They say" (this is the truth) that one of our esteemed fellow-workmen, up at the other end, visited the Frederick County Fair last week and was robbed of his purse and hard-earned wages amounting to $96.

A pleasant call was accorded the Division during the week from a former well-known employee of the office, Mr. George L. Saunders, at present the efficient superintendent of the office of the *Evening Banner*, Bluffton, Ind. Pleased to note his prosperity.

Dr. W. J. Manning of the official medical staff, has frequent calls for his invaluable services. We are all glad we have a doctor inside the office whether we need his services or not. Remember that homily, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

W. S. Schinnerer, make-up on the "Y" for a number of years past, has been transferred to the Sixth; Frank Burnside, an old-timer, was transferred to the same Division. On the same day, Jos. E. Sheehan and W. H. Anglin were assigned to this chapel. In the nature of a swap, as it were.

We will admit for the sake of argument that the most popular exponent of labor organizations in the country—THE TRADES UNIONIST, has a good list of subscribers, but it should be larger. It only costs ten (10) pennies per month. Make up your minds at once and so inform Fred Berger inside the cage.

We received a pleasant call from one of the most popular members of that wonderful Smith family—we mean Dave of Manager Leavitt's force. Just returned from his home State, Illinois, and—well he looked so pleasant we scarcely recognized him. A wonderful change does thirty days make when you are out in the open air. Mr. Smith reported for work Thursday morning.

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When the sonorous whistle announces finis to the day's work within the miniature world of the great printery there is reflective pleasure in watching the exit of myriad of workers. They pour from doors on sides and front and take their ways, on diverging streets or cars, to homes or places where they live or where they exist; for all houses that have occupants are not homes.

Homes are not altogether made of brick and wood, There are dwelling-places and there are homes. And looking at the throng emerging from the mammoth building, there is a mental tendency to note from the mien and step of each toiler whether the home-going is inspiriting or dispiriting, pleasurable or painful, joyous or sad.

There is opportunity for the study of men, and a wide range for thought on the environments of men in contemplating the rushing mass at 4.30 p. m. every working day.

ROUGH WRITER.

Royal Pilsen Beer on Draught at R. A. Driscoll's, North Capitol and G street. Overholt whisky, 10c.

Second Division.

Arthur L. Fessenden will visit Xenia, Ohio, this week.

Geo. H. Ogle went to Syracuse, and will visit Auburn, N. Y., this week.

L. M. Miller has gone to Morristown, N. J., where his sister and brother reside, to vote.

F. T. Razey, from the Agricultural Department printing branch, is again a member of this Division.

Kane Mahony was transferred from the *Gazette* correcting force to this Division on Tuesday of this week.

Earl G. Torrey, G. F. Weidman, and A. Force Engel have been transferred to the Fifth Division on court work.

W. T. Talbott, whose sobriquet is "Adam Bugge," and whose high-class poetry is well known to readers of THE TRADES UNIONIST, went on leave last week for fourteen days.

The brother of Acting Public Printer Ricketts, who came to Washington to attend the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Ricketts' daughter, was a visitor in this Division Friday of last week.

Galvin, whose dry humorous wit makes you smile when least feeling like it, says that compositors facing the "cage" get extra night work oftener than those do who face the other way. Figure it out.

On Saturday or Sunday evening of this week the Kentucky Republican Club of this city, of which Captain Henry Taylor, of this Division, is vice-president, will take its departure for the classic State of Kentucky.

The foreman of this Division, as stated last week, was about to go to his place of residence in Kentucky to cast his vote, but through the illness of his wife, he was detained. According to latest information she has recovered.

Certain of the members of this chapel will participate in a banquet on November 11. The object is to bring members of the Second closer together, to discuss the future welfare of printers, and to create harmony between one another.

Spike Leonard, who has been in Chicago since April last, was a participant in the strike there, and his cards show that he was subject to a ten per cent assessment. He states that the non-union men were thoroughly incompetent and placed the offices in a state of complete disorder.

HOMME VRAI.

Sixth Division.

The strenuous days are only six weeks away. So cheer up.

The Sixth Division now numbers eighty nine—a gain of eleven.

John Miller, John Luitich, Chas. Leighton, and Chas. Stanley were transferred from the Fourth to the Fifth Divisions on Monday.

Samuel Gompers, son of the distinguished president of the Federation of Labor, arrived in this Division from the Spess on Saturday and now holds down Merg. 35.

News reached me last week that my friend Stanley Ridings, of the *Gazette*, is the father of a new girl. Being from Missouri, I expected better—but then, girls are all right.

Billy Schinnerer, who holds down Merg. 3 in this Division, comes from that strenuous quarter in the First Division known as the "Y." Mr. Schinnerer held the position of a make-up.

James U. McCormick, who landed on Merg. 28, comes to the Sixth Division with previous experience as an operator, at one time having been employed on the night force of the Washington *Times*.

W. I. Reid, the *Record* cartoonist, had on exhibition last week one of the best cartoons of his many good productions. It is entitled "A Busy Day on the Record," and represents the doings of this Division on a busy day in a humorous manner.

W. H. Anglin, formerly Merg. 27, of this Division, has been transferred to the f. d. (First Division). To his alley mates I want to recommend him as a g. f. (good fellow) and perfectly h. (harmless). By the way, a new b. (boy) arrived at his home last Sunday evening.

The Sixth Division is again graced by the presence of a young lady who became a member by reason of the recent general transfer. Miss Mae D. White, formerly of the Spess, has been assigned Merg. 30, and thus becomes the only lady Merg. operator in the G. P. O.

Among the transfers last week was H. B. Barnhart, who went to the Fourth Division, landing on the slug in the correcting alley vacated by Billy Hall, who was transferred to the Sixth and assigned to the machine vacated by Mr. Barnhart. A fair exchange is no robbery.

At this writing the wife of Joseph Dreis is confined to her bed with illness, which may develop into typhoid fever. Mr. Dreis himself has but recently recovered from that disease, and Mrs Dreis is the mother of a few weeks' old child. It is sincerely hoped that the young mother's illness may be of short duration.

Mention of the talented ones now members of the Sixth Division would hardly be complete without the name of Vincent Howard, recently of the Fourth, but now operator on Merg. 14 Mr. Howard is a contributor, both of stories and of poetry, to some of the best magazines published. He has in the past contributed several poetical gems to THE TRADES UNIONIST, which were highly commented upon.

George Sargent, of the *Record* Proof Room, has contributed one dollar toward a special fund for the eight-hour movement. On last Saturday Mr, Sargent lost his watch, which was found later and given to Chairman George Hayden, who held it awaiting a claimant. In the meantime someone gets next that the Chairman has the watch and suggests to Mr. Sargent that he offer $1.00 reward for the return of same. Thus it came about that the comma chaser advertised a reward of one dollar, which Chairman Hayden collected on turning over the watch to its owner. Knowing full well the views of Mr. Sargent on the eight-hour question, Chairman Hayden thought it most appropriate that he contribute the reward to the eight-hour committee. Mr. Sargent has been warmly congratulated by his fellow-readers on being first to inaugurate the movement.

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Owing to a scarcity of frames, Foreman J. R. Berg found it necessary last week to transfer twenty-one of his Merg. operators to other Divisions, while a new force made up from all over the shop have taken possession of the machines and are perfecting themselves in the art of operating before the coming of Congress, when a double force will be necessary. Those who have been transferred temporarily to other Divisions have been at the keyboard almost constantly for over a year, and the few weeks' respite before again taking up the active work of getting out the *Record*, will probably be of much benefit to them. Those from this Division who were transferred are as follows:

To the First: Joe E. Sheehan, W. H. Anglin.
Second: E. E. Connor, A. H. Rossall, Chas. F. Mullen, Morris Spencer.
Third: Ed. S. Poole, Richard Powers, John Adams, John A. Cotter.
Fourth: J. F. McLennan, H. B. Barnhart, Ed. M. Nevils, Chas. H. Gardner.
Specification: Hugh Everett, B. R. Preuss, Harry Howe, A. Z. Hunt, A. A. Maul.
Gazette: Winslow Lewis.

Those received into this Division are the following:

From the First: W. S. Schinnerer, Frank E. Burnside.
Second: Chas. S. Dennison, W. J. Gould, Hubert Newsom, L. J. Runyan, D. R. Lyons, Louis R. Lippincott, E. E. Richards, L. D. Wheeldon.
Third: R. A. Julian, John H. Hooper, John J. O'Hern, Arthur Coykendall, Samuel Salomon, W. B. Johnson.
Fourth: W. T. Herritage, Guy W. McCord, Frank O. Jones, A. F. Lowe, Jas. M. Weaver, Vincent F. Howard, W. T. Hall, Ben A. Wolfe, D. W. Corkins.
Specification: Ed H. Sturm, W. L. Evans, Wm. H. Drayton, Jas. U. McCormick, E. A. Hutchison, Chas. A. Stretch, Samuel Gompers, and Miss Mae D. White.

CHAS. S. GUNN.

Specification Notes.

The new chairman has qualified—that is, he has set 'em up.

Either Government control of G. P. O. lunch-stands or a coffee filtration plant is desirable.

Hutchison also became infatuated with the Merg, silently folded his tent, and stole away.

Indications are that there will be the usual election rush from here to doubtful States like Pennsylvania and Ohio.

Two of the best printers found themselves on the "make-up" during the past week. They agreed to forget old scores.

"All h—— couldn't beat that combination," was the remark made following the announcement of the chapel vote for chairman last Saturday.

There is a rumor current that a member of this force is booked for appointment as internal revenue inspector for one of the Kentucky districts.

Sam Gompers left us very unceremoniously last Saturday morning. They say he's now with Foreman Berg or somewhere where he's got a Merg.

One may always tell whether a woman is satisfied with her weight by the way she acts, or if she is willing to wait while some one assists in the weighing.

In point of numbers the ladies in the proof room are not only about half and half with the men, but there is a possibility that in course of time they may become the "better half" or halves.

The following named were sent over here as a "swap" for those detailed for the *Record:* Hugh Everett, Harry Howe, A. A. Maul, R. R. Preuss, and A. Z Hunt.

There is some impatience manifested for a supply of blank ballots by those who have made up their minds how they will vote on the 50-cents-a-week proposition.

The transformation has been so sudden that by comparison hand composition is to the machine what the bobtail cars first were with the introduction of the trolley and cable system for street railways.

The stream of office people who reside on upper North Capitol and streets adjacent constitutes a veritable army each morning and evening. The section is fast coming to be one of the most desirable of the residential portions of the city.

It is hoped that the vote of this chapel (and every chapel of the Union) will be unanimous in support of the strike-fund proposition soon to be submitted. Now is the time to cast personal differences aside, clasp hands, and—"Remember the Maine!"

Our good brother and sterling unionist, Joe Cross, straggled into Spess camp on Tuesday, bearing evidence of a narrow escape from a genuine case of typhoid. During the critical period of indisposition his home was blessed by the presence of a girl baby, to occupy his moments of meditation during convalescence.

Huntsberry started last evening for his home at Mt. Vernon, Ohio, the place where they have gas to burn, it being the greatest natural gas belt in the world. It is also the home of Good-Roads Coxey. "Hunts" calculates that it will require the better part of two week's leave to get his home interests in shape and pull Herrick through as Governor. Then he will return and spend the winter in Washington.

Mr. McCormick had scarcely been installed as chairman of this Chapel when he was drafted and took his departure with three others who went to form a part of the picked *Record* force as Mergenthaler operators. This is not the first instance when the "will of the people" has been ruthlessly thwarted by removal of chairmen chosen by popular vote; but the Spess always has plenty of good timber in reserve to meet emergencies of this sort. In the election of last Saturday to fill vacancy two leading spirits, Messrs. T. B. Jaques and Ivins Davis, entered the contest, when the friends of each and both separated for the time, and the result showed a margin of forty-one votes in favor of Davis, who enjoys the distinction of having never been beaten! It is very much to his credit that the result showed a substantial majority over an opponent so capable and universally esteemed. There is no mistake about it, Davis is a good runner and a sure winner.

The marriage of Nellie Straight Stagge to James A. Backus, of Philadelphia, was witnessed by a few invited friends at the home of the bride in this city on the evening of the 18th inst. The nuptial ceremony was by Rev. Dr. Mott, of the Church of the Advent. Mrs. Backus had for some time been employed as copy-holder here, and a few of her most intimate friends made the occasion of her marriage and happy leave taking a time suitable for an expression of esteem and future good will by a present in the form of a beautiful gold clock. Mr. Backus has remunerative employ with the Baltimore and Ohio and Pennsylvania companies and will be stationed at Buffalo during the winter.

There were six and one-half columns of "Help Wanted" ads in the Washington *Post* last Sunday to twenty columns of "Situations Wanted" by out-of-work people. Now if one-third of those wanting situations will supply the demand for help wanted, what is to become of those fourteen other columns of applicants who on applying are told that the door of opportunity is closed to them? Taking these "want" ads as an example we find about the same conditions elsewhere throughout the large cities. The worst feature of the whole business is that no matter how deserving the case, the man or person who goes upon the street or highway asking for work is frowned upon and is liable to arrest as a "vag" or criminal, and not infrequently is sentenced to a term in the workhouse or jail as one having no visible means of support or becomes a public charge, though able and anxious to work. With these conditions confronting there are those who would open wide the door to undesirable immigration and increase rather than shorten the workday in the hope of further increasing the supply of idle hands so as to better control the price for hire of those who are permitted to work. There's something wrong somewhere. Some day the remedy will come, though unjust systems have to go.

J. R. McBride, clerk to Foreman Ramsey, passed the sixty-third milestone on Monday of this week. The "line up" for congratulations and good wishes by friends was evidence of high personal regard, which has grown with long acquaintance. "Mack" had so managed the thing that his sixty-third anniversary came on Friday. That he may have many more such is the wish of all.

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

The following members of Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. of M., are on the sick list: J S. Lane, W. D. Zollenhopper, Calvin Freyman, W. E. Tucker, and John C. Tudor.

Robert Wiltsie, an employee of the blacksmith department, met with a serious accident Thursday. While handling a piece of iron under the steam hammer by some means unexplainable a piece of iron was driven through one of his hands and entered his thigh to the depth of an inch or more. He was hurried to Providence Hospital where his injuries were attended to.

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The Naval Gun Factory Band gave their last open-air concert of the season at the Navy Yard, Friday evening, under the direction of Professor Moody.

The following program was rendered:

Medley—Overture—
"Bits of Romicks Hits,".....Lampe.
The New White House.. ..... Taylor.
Waltz—"Daughter of Love"..... Bennett.
Characteristic March..... ....Happy Heinie.
Serenade—"The Troubadour"..Laurendeau.
Polonaise—"Voyage of Life".....Collins.
Selection—"Love's Sentinel" .....Rathburn.
Medley March—'Keep a Little Cosy Corner in Your Heart for Me"..... .....Morse.
Star Spangled Banner.

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Good news comes to me from the home of Brother Douglas Wilson, the brilliant writer and able editor of the *Machinist's Journal* It is well known throughout the United States and Canada, especially by the wage earner, that for several years he has been a sufferer from rheumatism to such an extent that he has been almost incapacitated for the work allotted him. I am now informed that he has so much improved that it will be but a short time when one will see his beaming countenance once more in Columbia Lodge, and listen to the words of wisdom that flow so gracefully from the only "King Lear."

Columbia Lodge collectively, and Tim, individually, extend our congratulations on his almost unanimous re-election for the next two years as our editor. One thing I can say about the machinist craft is they never turn a good man down when adversity or sickness comes his way.

While Editor Wilson no doubt feels proud of his re-election, the craft at large are the ones to feel complimented by their good sense and judgment in retaining in position the greatest brain force within our ranks.

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It is now Captain Eugene Leutze, commandant of the Washington Navy Yard, and Superintendent of the Naval Gun Factory.

The coming of Captain Leutze to the Yard at this time may mean more than a simple change of officers. It may mean that the Yard will take on new conditions looking to such an enlargement as to be fully equipped to furnish the Government all the guns, etc., necessary to equip battleships already built, now under construction, or contemplated by Congress in the near future.

It is believed that Captain Leutze will at once not only approve the recommendations of his predecessor, Captain Pendleton, but will add many new features in preparing his report to the Secretary of the Navy. It is well known that Captain Leutze has the entire support of the Naval Committee in both branches of Congress, and recommendations coming from him will be considered by those bodies in the most favorable light.

I have no personal acquaintance with him, as I had with Captain Pendleton, who was ever ready to furnish me any information relative to the affairs of the Yard that might be of interest to the readers of THE TRADES UNIONIST.

Captain Pendleton was easy to approach. I trust Captain Leutze will be equally as cordial to your representative.

While their natures seem to have been moulded differently, yet no two men who have ever held the position of Superintendent of the Naval Gun Factory have been more in accord than those two in their desire to make the Naval Gun Factory the greatest plant of its character.

If Congress will give what Captain Leutze asks for the next few years will see the contractor looking for something else than gun manufacture.

One thing I admire in the man is his fealty to the gun plant, and no one knows better than he that the contractor cannot compete with the mechanics in the Yard in giving to the Government guns and carriages that will stand the test in all their mechanical parts.

Captain Leutze is recognized as the strictest disciplinarian in the Navy, not only aboard ship, but wherever he is stationed on shore. I am a strong believer in discipline, provided it is accompanied with equity and justice. No man can be a successful administrator of affairs unless he establishes discipline first within himself to prove that he can deal the same justice to his fellowman as he would have his superior deal to him. When that is accomplished he is in a position to act with justice to all. Such a man I trust Captain Leutze will prove himself to be.

There is but one suggestion at present that I wish to make. One that will be of mutual advantage to the superintendent and the employees, viz , it is well known that the President has his advisors, known as his cabinet. Congress from time to time increases that number as the needs of the country demands. The Superintendent of the Naval Gun Factory also has advisors, naval officers, and the supervising force. But in my judgment one thing is lacking—there should be an affinity established between the superintendant and Columbia Lodge, so far as to include in his cabinet a representative from that body, one whose judgment could be relied on to deal with matters that naturally arise between the superintendent and the machinists. There are so many small matters that find their way to the Secretary of the Navy that should never leave the Yard for settlement. For this reason I think it would be proper for a representative from Columbia Lodge to be included as one of Captain Leutze's advisors.

TIM TICKLE.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

DOWN TOWN NOTES.

Items of Interest to Printers in the Down Town Printeries.

Willie Harrison is in Frederick, Md.

Michæl Barrett is one of the latest appointees on the S. C. records at Judd's.

Danny Murphy, from the Row (N. Y.), enjoyed a short sojourn in our midst a few days since.

Billy Lowd, who was reported very seriously ill a short while ago, is able to be about again.

Tom McGowan, after a protracted absence from the case, is plugging small pica at McGill & Wallace's.

After a wait of over a year, Brown, of York, Pa., drew the lucky number in the *Times* pool last week.

Wm. Roddebusch ("Cigarette Bill"), of Meadville, Pa., paid his respects to Washington very briefly recently.

Arthur Jones (the suburbanite) who is working at Judd's, will take an independent course on the Mergenthalers at the Brooklyn factory.

On November 7th, Mr. Robinson, employed at McGill & Wallace's, will celebrate his seventieth year at the case, he being in his eighty-ninth year.

A new weekly paper is to be launched at Hyattsville this week, John McCormick's Sons as proprietors. Wallace Palmer has been engaged to work on it.

Con Ratcliffe, who has been at Providence Hospital for five weeks, where he underwent a successful operation, has left that institution, and caught on at Judd's.

William Sweeney, who has had a ten weeks' tussle with typhoid fever, expects to start again at his old job at McGill & Wallace's in the immediate future.

Guy Furtner, apprentice member at I. D. Milan's, will become a full member this month, and expects to do the Wilkins Micawber act in the dull season.

One of the Posey Brothers came on from Frederick, Md., last week, looking for two sober printers, and corraled Jack Wade and H. B. Sweeney (Dick), and carried them off to Barbara Freitchieville.

The new building which is being erected at Eleventh and E streets northwest, and which was formerly occupied by the Albion Dairy Lunch Room, will, it is asserted, be occupied by the Wilkins Printing Company upon completion.

Messrs. McKenzie, Barringer, Lehmann, Leech, Brister, Spence, Terrill, Babcock and Denham have been picked to learn the machines—six in number—which are to be installed in Judd & Detweiler's in the immediate future. It is estimated that about forty men will walk the plank.

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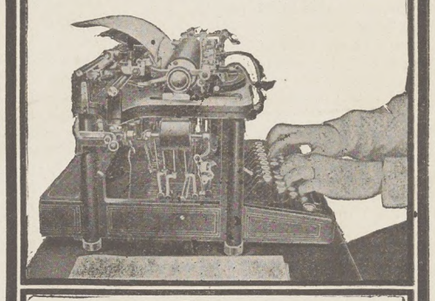
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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday, President McCarthy in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Plumbers' Union, No. 5: John A McDonald, vice Thomas Reardon.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Federated Trades Council of Milwaukee, giving warning of a "fake" drawing ostensibly for Wood Workers' Union, of that city. Placed on file.

From Carriage and Wagon Workers' Union, No. 72, of this city, inclosing tickets for entertainment and ball. On motion, tickets were purchased.

From Woman's Trade Union League, of New York City, calling attention to special edition of New York *Journal* devoted to locked-out employees of Cluett, Peabody & Co.

From Frank Morrison, secretary American Federation of Labor, acknowledging receipt of credentials of N. C. Sprague, delegate-elect to forthcoming convention. Placed on file.

From Bartenders' League, No. 75, indorsing attitude of Central Labor Union in declaring Samuel S. Gain, master horseshoer, unfair. Placed on file.

From Local No. 72, I. A. M., Metal Polishers', Buffers', and Platers' Union, Cleveland, Ohio, asking assistance in fight against Standard Sewing Machine Co., where strike has been on since May 5, 1805. Request complied with and Delegates La Clair, Roberts, and Manning appointed to visit the agency in this city.

Bills for advertising on account of Label Committee, amounting to $15, were read and ordered paid.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Horseshoers: Called attention to Samuel S. Gain, being on unfair list, and that two prominent bakers were having their work done in unfair shops.

Hod Carriers: That as A. B. Stannard had not replied to communication sent him, that a committee of two be appointed to insist on a conference with him. Request granted, and Delegates G. A. Adams and Considine were appointed.

Musicians: Took exceptions to an article of news which appeared in THE TRADES UNIONIST relative to the Naval Gun Factory Band. In reply the editor of that paper stated that the paper was private property, and that the Central Labor Union had no right to censor articles that might appear in its pages.

Retail Clerks: Called attention to their grievance against Dave Wolf and C. Auerbach & Son.

Retail Grocery Clerks: Asked for a committee of two, one from Brewery Workers' and one from Machinists, to assist that Union in the southeast section. The request was granted and Delegates Beaumont (Machinists) and Meyer (Brewery Workers) were appointed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Label Committee reported on distribution of placards advertising union label goods.

Special Committee on eight-hour violators reported progress.

NEW BUSINESS.

Delegate Ross, of Sheet Metal Workers, stated that he had been requested to ask committee consisting of one from Columbia Typographical Union, Bookbinders' Union, Printing Pressmen's Union, and Retail Clerks' Union to visit store of of T. Hollander, North Capitol and H streets, and endeavor to have him remove a display sign of Cluett, Peabody & Co. The request was granted and Delegates Dickman, Feeny, Sprague, and Manning were appointed.

Delegate Ross renewed his motion, made at a previous meeting, and ruled out of order on account of time limit for appropriation being passed, that a committee of seven be appointed to arrange for a smoker. The motion was carried and the sum of $50 appropriated, and the following committee appointed: Delegates Ross, McKenna, Le Clair, Considine, Weber, and Schmidt.

The chair announced the following appointments on the Contract Committee: Delegate Thomas Sheehan (Painters) and Delegate G. A. Adams (Amalgamated Carpenters).

Labor Leaders in the Church.

CHARLES STELZLE.

While it is true that a large number of workingmen are outside the Church and haven't much sympathy with it, it is not true that many of their strongest and best leaders are alienated from it.

It has been a source of great satisfaction to meet with the active church officers and members who are in the lead of the labor movement in the United States. Some of the strongest labor editors with whom I have talked are members of the Church and many are church members. I sat one day in the office of a labor paper in a Western city, and in the course of an hour six men casually dropped in to see the editor about matters of business. I discovered that every one of these men was either a member or officer of some church in that city. Some time ago at a conference of ministers, to which hap been invited the representative of the Trades Assembly of that city, it transpired that this representative was one the most active church men in the town. The presidents of several labor unions which I have addressed are Presbyterian elders. I recently talked with three national officers in three different labor organizations, all living in the same city, and I discovered that all three were the most aggressive officers in their particular churches.

I recently met the chairman of the Committee of Adjustment on a great railroad system, who was at one time talked of as the successor of Chief Arthur of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. He was then representing the engineers of that system, and he was an active man in the church to which he belonged. Indeed, he said with emphasis (and in his capacity as chairman of the Adjustment Committee he could speak with authority), that the labor problem would never be settled until the principles taught by Jesus Christ are applied to human society.

The national treasurer of one of the strongest labor federations in the country is a Presbyterian elder. He has the confidence of the entire association, and to him was committed only the other day one of the most delicate tasks that had ever been entrusted to a labor leader. He was selected to call on the President of the United States in company with another official in whom the Association had not the same confidence. It was quite evident that the churchman stood very high in the estimation of his fellow-unionists. In the same town I met another official whose name is known throughout the country as one of the most aggressive labor leaders. When I saw him he was looking for a preacher who could conduct a service in a little church in which he was interested. He told me of some things that he was engaged in with regard to the pushing of several lines of religious effort in his town.

The fact that these prominent labor leaders are Christian men would seem to indicate that the Church of Jesus Christ is not against the workingman, or else they would not be in the Church. These labor men are in the Church because they believe that the Church is a real help to the workingman. The Church has trained them. It has given them the characteristics which make them representative leaders. For this the workingmen who are helped through their efforts are obligated to the Church.

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

I made a "short talk" at an open session of Pioneer Council, Sons of Jonadab, Friday evening last. About the middle of my discourse I discovered I was playing against a whimpering baby in the arms of its mother, a good-looking blonde. I was placed in the predicament of Thomas Carlyle, whose slumbers were disturbed by a crowing rooster, the property of a neighbor. Patience exhausted, he remonstrated with the good woman.

"Why, he doesn't crow a great deal," was her reply; "only once or twice a night."

"That's just what's the matter," was the learned gentleman's rejoiner; "I lay awake half the night waiting for the darned thing to crow."

I was afraid at some roll of the "R" or the hiss of an "S" the young one might break out with a yell.

H. S. SUTTON.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

S. T. Kinsinger, machinist, West Gun Carriage Shop, and member of Columbia Lodge, No. 174, has joined the great majority. He was a good workman and will be missed by his shopmates for his many sterling qualities.

Wm. E. Frazier, one of the most prosperous and respected business men in the Navy Yard, was buried from his late residence, 769 Tenth street southeast, last Tuesday. Mr. Frazier had been in business for several years in this section of the city, and in his dealings with the employees of the Yard was respected for his integrity and honest dealing with all who came in contact with him in business relationship. He was my friend, one in whom I could trust, one who never failed to prove his friendship, either in prosperity or adversity, one whose word was his bond, a good citizen, a loving husband and devoted father. One, if I had the writing of his epitaph, would inscribe on his monument, "Here lies an honest man."

The following is copied from the Piscataway *Sentinel* and may act as a warning to some of the readers of THE TRADES UNIONIST when buying a Christmas present for their best girl:

Every now and then there happen strange things, all on account of a carelessness that many would like to charge to others. A few days ago a young man from the village, accompanied by his sister, visited a Washington store to purchase a gift for his sweetheart as a birthday present. Thinking a book or a box of bon-bons too common, he decided to give her a pair of gloves, and made his purchase accordingly, while his sister bought a pair of fancy stockings for herself.

Both gloves and stockings were wrapped in similar packages. In some way the bundles became mixed, and the youug man not knowing the mistake sent his sweetheart the stockings, accompanied by the following note:

"Dear Blanche, I hope you will enjoy this little present, instead of something foolish. Oh, how I wish no other hands than mine would ever touch them after you put them on, but I know, dear, that such a wish is vain. A score of country jays may touch them when I am not by your side, and other eyes than mine may see them when you go to parties. I bought the largest pair I could get and if they are too long, you can let them wrinkle down a little. Always wear them at parties, for I want to see how they fit. Some fellows have dirty hands, and they are likely to soil them, but you can clean them with benzine if you leave them on 'til dry. I hope they are not too small. Blow in them before you put them on.

"From your loving JOHN."

P. S.—It is needless to state that the engagement is off, and if the unfortunate young man ever shows his face in that end of the town he will get it knocked off by the fist of "Dearest one's father."

MORAL.

Always look inside a box before you send it to your best girl.

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In reporting the happenings that occur in the Navy Yard from time to time, I know of nothing that casts a shadow on my life more so than in reporting the death of our shopmate, Bro. Price P. Haller, who for several years was Chairman of the Press Committee, Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. of M, who met an untimely death by drowning several days ago while temporarily insane. Since the death of his wife last winter he has been a changed man. From the joyous, open-hearted, generous comrade, he gradually grew to the gloomy and despondent individual, shunning his former associations, and seeking enjoyment in being alone.

It is a sad ending, indeed, of one who had so much in this life to look forward to, that he should meet such an untimely death. His remains were conveyed to Congressional Cemetery by his shopmates, and deposited by the side of the one he had so loved on earth.

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Things down on the Isthmus are not so rosy as some of the officials would have us believe, judging from a letter from a brother machinist received at headquarters. Here is a portion of the letter:

Well, I will begin with the subject that most of us are especially interested in—wages. All machinists sent down by the Commission from the States receive 56 cents per hour, eight hours per day. Now, no doubt some will think that is fair wages. Well, it would be if it were anywhere else except on this "belt of billousness." The first month here is good for $150, or $175 (if overtime is worked) but after that one is lucky if $75 per month is made. Mechanics working by the hour receive no sick leave. That is reserved, like everything else, for the clerks and other monthly men. About one month ago there was a notice posted throughout the different shops along the line with the signature of Carl Strom, engineer in charge of the mechanical department, stating that the mechanics would be allowed the six weeks' leave with full pay and cheap rates to the States, but just as the boys began to think that our masters had not forgotten us, there was another notice posted stating that the leave would be granted to the men working by the month, and not to the mechanics working by the hour.

One would be surprised at the amount of sickness here, and the poor accommodations provided for the men. The hospital at Colon has been full, or the officials in charge state so, yet when one of the "Royal Family" of the officials have a headache, or in any manner indisposed, they have a private room, and if he happen to be one of the "Grand Moguls," a suite of rooms are at his disposal.

This is my seventh month on the Isthmus, and I am the oldest head around here and eligible to join the Oldest Inhabitants' Association. I can see no headway with the work since my arrival, while the sanitary conditions are going from bad to worse.

More square yards of dirt have actually been removed from (Monkey Hill) our local graveyard than from the Culebra Cut, the only place along the line that they are pretending to do any digging. If I am any kind of a judge, I don't see how they are going to keep Americans down here at all when the rainy season comes on, as there are not one-half as many Americans here now as there were six months ago, and the majority of those that are here are only waiting for a chance to get to New Orleans. As matters now stand New York is the only port, with the exception of Vera Cruz, that will admit passengers from here, while on the Pacific side one can go to "Frisco." But it takes twenty-five days to make the trip.

Fraternally yours, L. O. B.

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THE NAVY THAT'S NEEDED.

The construction of such a navy as this Government ought to have would assure the prosperity of the country long past the usual periods. It would favorably affect every industrial interest. It would keep the brains and hands of the people so busy that the usual periods of "liquidation" would be bridged over. So a great navy will be a prosperous peace enterprise while it is building, and when it is completed it will be noticed that we must not be obstructed in going after our share of the general commerce.

Let Congress provide the means to build the ships; the people want them. Let Congress provide the means to enlarge the Naval Gun Factory to furnish guns for these ships; the people demand this also. A country without pride in its heroes has a dull place in history. Our greatest pride has been in the achievements of our naval men of other days. The time has come for a full restoration of naval prestige, with addition necessary to bring up to the standard of any country on the face of the globe.

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I hear that the Keep Commission is contemplating a recommendation to the President and Congress, abolishing the thirty days sick leave in the executive departments.

In my humble judgment this is one of the best moves that possibly could be made. It will give the honest employee what he asks for and receives—thirty day leave for recreation with pay.

It will be the means of driving from the Government service the laggard, the gambler, and the boozer, who only hold their positions from the fact that they can have an additional thirty days leave by furnishing a physician's certificate, which can readily be procured for the small fee of one dollar.

Push it along, Brother Keep, the honest employee is behind you. But in the construction of your report advocating this measure, do not fail to consider that the employees of the Naval Gun Factory have but the small total of fifteen days leave with pay per annum, and recommend to the President, and through him to Congress, that there be no discrimination as to leave petween the clerk in the Department and the mechanic in the Naval Gun Factory.

Governments should be no respectors of persons or positions—all should fare alike in favors; all should be dealt alike in fairness and equity.

The man who builds the guns is a taxpayer equally as well as the clerk who wields the pen.

Equity and justice to all is the safety of a nation. Let every employee of the Government share alike in dispensing leave and no one will suffer from this but those I have enumerated—the chronic kickers who would have every other day pay day and every other day a legal holiday.

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Dr. James J. Kilroy, one of the best known and most popular members of the office staff of the Gun Factory at Washington Navy Yard, tenders his resignation this week in order to devote his entire time to the practice of medicine and surgery in this city.

The Doctor is a graduate of Georgetown University and after graduation was appointed and served for a year and a half on the hospital staff of that University with distinction.

During the long period of service in the Yard the Doctor was brought in contact with a vast number of employees, and by his uniform courtesy, frankness and modesty, made friends of high and low throughout that establishment.

By education, natural ability and gentlemanly character the Doctor is destined to become an ornament to the medical profession of the city, and it is safe to say his success is assured.

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SUNDAY WORK.

I met my friend the minister last Sunday afternoon out strolling. He is a regular reader of THE TRADES UNIONIST, and professes to be the friend of the mechanic. He immediately took up the question of the three shifts in the Naval Gun Factory as reported by your correspondent two weeks ago.

The first question he proposed was, "Is there any work now being done on the Sabbath day in the gun shops?" The second question was, "Is there a probability that it may become universal, as was the case last winter."

In answer to his first proposition I explained that it was necessary for certain employees to work every Sunday, such as firemen, steam fitters, and men who do the repairs that only can be done when the plant is at a standstill. This explanation seemed satisfactory so far as to the first proposition. But when I explained that, so far as becoming universal, it would depend entirely upon the demands made upon the gun plant to rush its orders, he was not so well pleased with this answer, and stated that if it did occur, the ministers would do as they did last winter, wait upon the President and the Secretary of the Navy and enter their solemn protest against the desecration of the Sabbath, as it prevented the members of the different churches from attending divine service because they had to work on that day.

The first question I put to him was a stunner:

"Did you notice after the delegation had visited the Secretary of the Navy and he had issued instructions that while the work was urgent, it was not expected or required of any employee to be present on Sunday unless it was entirely voluntary on his part, that your congregation had materially increased?"

"I can not recollect," was his answer.

"Being a constant reader of THE TRADES UNIONIST, do you remember that a copy of the Secretary's order was furnished said paper and published verbatim?"

"I do," he remarked.

"And yet you do not recollect whether or not your membership increased."

Again his recollection failed.

"Well, Parson, if you have not, I have a distinct recollection as regards the percentage of employees who failed to report for Sunday work after the Secretary's order was issued and it was 'zero.'"

"I also have a distinct recollection that many employees, before the order was issued, complained to their ministers and to each other that it was against their religious principles to work on Sunday, and they only did so for fear of losing their positions, and yet, when said order was issued, and knowing that they of all others would be exempt, were promptly on hand every Sunday morning."

This was stunner No. 2.

But I was not through with him, so I continued:

"Why did you, as one of the delegation who waited on the authorities to stamp out this Sunday labor, which would be the means, as you thought, to increase your congregation, not call a meeting of the Ministers' Association in the interest of these same employees and wait on the President and the Secretary of the Navy and make the same appeal and demands as you did on a previous occasion that no discrimination be made against the employees of the Naval Gun Factory relative to the Saturday half holiday and present such arguments that might convince the authorities that it would be the means of affording the employees sufficient time to attend to their minor affairs and possibly create a spiritual desire for church service the following morning? Was such a thought ever presented or would it have been entertained if presented by the Ministers' Association?"

This was the third stunner.

The only answer I received was:

"I cannot answer for the Ministers' Association."

He was cornered and he knew it. His answers were bluffs pure and simple. I was telling him truths, that he could not deny.

The Ministers' Association are endeavoring to find out why there are so many empty seats in the churches, and why the workingmen do not attend service. The answer is so simple that a fool cannot err therein. Workingmen are becoming intelligent beings; they are studying their own interests; they are studying the economic problems that confront them. They find that they can worship their Creator around their family altar with more satisfaction than in attending the churches where the cause of labor and humanity are strangers to their ministers.

When they hear such fullsome flattery uttered by the ministers to and for the capitalist and nothing that might benefit the wage-earner, no wonder they ask the question within themselves: "Am I in the house of God, or am I listening to Wall street and its methods being eulogized?"

"Did you ever read the story of the crucifixion of Rev. Philip Strong?" I asked of the Parson.

The only answer I received as he hopped a car was: "I do not recollect."

TIM TICKLE.

ENTRE NOUS.

Why is it that a corporation as wide awake as the Capital Traction Co. could not change its charter to allow its patrons better transportation facilities? For instance, why can't a man board a car at either end of Pennsylvania avenue and go either north or south on Seventh street? Look at the inconvenience it causes in all sorts of weather, in winter and summer. Now, some of you Citizen Improvement Association members, get busy.

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In last week's *Western Laborer* appeared the following:

To Superintendent Deacon of the Printers' Home: It will be to your interest to at once stop the persecution of Mrs. Nellie V. Wilson by one M. B. O'Brien, both residents of the hospital annex. If it is stopped at once it will avoid a very unpleasant row in the union.

Behind this item there is a scandal that calls for report to Columbia Typographical Union.

If reports are true, the strong protecting arm of a husband is needed to shield a wife from persecution and studied insult at the hands of a resident of the Home.

There is no rule at the Home that debars one from annoyance, through personal attention, but if a resident is guilty of continued intoxication he is expelled.

What punishment should be meted out to one of the O'Brien stripe who brings the name of the only woman resident in question? He has not been expelled or even reprimanded because charges have not been brought against him. It is due to the fact that Mrs. Wilson desires to avoid publicity that the charges are not made.

But it is claimed that Mrs. Wilson is not wanted at the Home; that the management does not desire woman residents; and yet Mrs. Wilson is a printer and the wife of a printer, and in fact the daughter of a printer.

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The vote on the eight-hour assessment in Columbia Typographical Union marks another effort in the determination of its members to secure the eight-hour day.

The Typothetæ is making a fight in several cities, but the union is flourishing and gaining ground at every turn.

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1905.

The I. T. U. demands that EIGHT HOURS shall constitute a workday

The New Public Printer.

In the appointment of CHARLES A. STILLINGS, of Boston, Mass., to the position of Public Printer the President has executed another one of the surprises he keeps in store for his people.

If indorsements from members of both branches of Congress were considered as of weight the appointment to fill the place vacated by Mr. PALMER would have been filled permanently by the man chosen to act in that capacity as acting Public Printer, but the President has again shown his independence by selecting a man of his own choice.

The interest displayed in the appointment of a Public Printer in recent years has usually been from the standpoint of friendliness to trade unions, but in the present appointment it is more or less problematical what course Mr. STILLINGS will pursue. He has been associated with the employing printers and possibly may have imbibed "open shop" ideas through association. But the influence of organized effort to maintain union conditions in the Government Printing Office will not be allowed to die out.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

American Industries, published by the three tailors of Tooley street—D. M. Parry, the average of whose carriage and wagon shop employees, according to the State Labor Commissioner of Indiana, is $4.50 a week; Marshall Cushing, who will be remembered as a little pismire who hung onto Columbia Typographical Union while its members were establishing the *Times;* and C. W. Post, the grapenuts man—recently gave out a series of preambles and a resolution, of which the latter is as follows:

Resolved, That the National Association of Manufacturers recommend to its members universal support of the employing printers in resisting these attacks, the purchase of printing of the lawful open shops, and active legal prosecution of both employer and union members, parties to any unlawful closed shop agreements; and, further, that members and other business men be urged to refrain from enforcing contracts for printing during illegal attacks of labor unions.

As a specimen of the statements made in the circular with the hope of wining sympathy and co-operation is the following:

We have the word of Mr. James Lynch, head of the Typographical Union, for it that the printers' union will never cease making its demands until the employers are sticking the type and the printers are riding in the carriages.

From beginning to end it is a hysterical scream for opposition to the establishment of the eight hour day. The three tailors of Tooley street represented a larger proportion of the people of England than the Parrysites do of American manufacturers. The sympathies of the American people are with trades unions, as are those of a majority of the manufacturers. I am afraid that the National Association of Manufacturers is suffering with female weakness.

A. F. BLOOMER.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Crabs and Clams.

THE FIGHT NEARLY WON.

FOR AN EIGHT-HOUR DAY.

Result of Vote Taken Last Monday in Columbia Union.

Out of a vote of 1531, only 352 negative votes were cast against the extra assessment of 50 cents per week to help win the eight-hour day in the International Typographical Union.

The result of the vote is very gratifying to the officers of the Union in view of the fact that an additional assessment has been running since last January.

Columbia Typographical Union is placed squarely on record to aid and assist sister unions in securing the eight-hour day, and when the time comes for the down town establishments to enter in the eight-hour day it will be found that few if any of the employers will refuse to concede the shorter workday.

A number of establishments have already signed the agreement to grant the eight-hour day in January, it being reported that The National Publishing Co., one of the largest offices down town, has signed within the past week.

The result of the vote was as follows:

CHAPELS.	Yes.	No.	Total.
Government—			
First Division	133	38	171
Second Division	66	32	98
Third Division	74	8	82
Fourth Division	63	15	78
Fifth Division	67	32	99
Sixth Division	76	1	77
Job Room	76	15	91
Specification	140	61	201
Official Gazette	30	17	47
Document Proof	63	38	101
Record Proof	22	2	24
Record Clerks	7	0	7
Treasury	15	15	30
Interior	8	3	11
State	3	4	7
Navy	10	5	15
War	10	2	12
Agriculture	7	2	9
Library	6	8	14
Weather	5	7	12
General Post Office	6	0	6
Down Town—			
Post	61	4	65
Star	51	11	62
Times	38	1	39
The Trades Unionist	4	0	4
Law Reporter	14	0	14
Globe	8	0	8
Judd & Detweiler	41	19	60
Wilkens	8	0	8
National Publishing Co.	7	2	9
Adams	19	1	20
Army & Navy Register	2	2	4
Sudwarth	12	1	13
Pearson	8	0	8
Crane's	5	0	5
Howard	8	0	8
Secretary's Chapel	14	6	20
TOTAL	1187	352	1539

Every chapel in the local jurisdiction voted on the assessment proposition except a small one containing not more than five cards, the members of which deposited their ballots at the Secretary's Office.

Mr. F. R. Maloney, well known among the membership of No. 101, sent his ballot in favor of the 50 cent assessment proposition all the way from Key West, Fla., where he is connected with the United States Naval Station. Mr. Maloney maintains his interest in things typographical in this city, being an active member on the roll of No. 101.

ROBERTS REFLECTIONS.

Union men condemn the sweatshop as an unAmerican institution, and so it is, but when they buy nonunion goods are they sure they were not made in a sweatshop.

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The union label is the union man's trade-mark.

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If the insurance grafters are ever brought to trial they may consistently plead insanity for they were money crazy.

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The courts of Chicago have decided that it is unlawful for men when on strike to do picket duty, consequently three members of Franklin Pressfeeders' Union will have to go to jail for thirty days, besides pay a fine of $100. The case was appealed to a higher court which sustained the decision of the lower court. The strike occurred about two years ago, and the higher court has just rendered its decision.

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There isn't much difference between a grafter and a pick pocket—except the latter generally lands in jail.

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At the Toronto convention of the International Typographical Union it was decided to appoint a special committee to take under advisement the possibility of making some provisions for the pensioning of its old members. The committee is to report at the next meeting of the International body. "What to do with its old members" is a question that might well be considered by all International bodies, for it is a worthy one, and no doubt the committee will be able to suggest some plan which will redound to the credit of the oldest and one of the most influential labor organizations in this country.

While the printers have set the example in establishing a Home for their sick members, an example which is being adopted by two other unions, still there are unions which have in their laws certain fraternal features which it would be well for the printers to consider. For it is such features that have a tendency to bind men closer together. The men who have grown gray in the movement and who have given years of service and made many sacrifices to bring about the conditions which now prevail in the printing trade are entitled to some protection from the younger members who are now deriving the benefits of the labor of others. It will be up to the membership to see that the men who have been fighting in the "trenches" for years are not entirely thrown on the industrial "dump heap."

It is to be hoped that besides taking care of its sick the International Typographical Union will see that the old "war horses" are taken care of. Anything less than that will be a shirking of a plain duty.

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It is very evident from the testimony brought out in the insurance investigation that the managers never lost sight of the "gold-en" rule.

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The watch word of every trade unionist should be "Patronize Union Industry."

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It takes sunshine to produce wheat, and it takes paupers to produce millionaires.

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William R. Hearst got out a Troy edition of the New York *Journal* in the interest of the locked-out laundry workers of that city. A copy ought to be placed in the hands of every union man.

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It sounds much more pleasant to the ear of a parent to hear her little one say, "Mama the bell is ringing; it is time to go to school," than to hear the child say, "The bell is ringing it is time to go to work."

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The placing of Cluett, Peabody & Co., collar and cuff manufacturers of Troy, N. Y., on the unfair list by the American Federation of Labor has at last spread to the building trades, and all over the country organized labor is waging war on the nonunion collars and cuffs manufactured in Troy—particularly the Arrow brand and Monarch shirts. This unfair firm has at last found out that they are not alone fighting a few hundred helpless women and children in Troy, for the building trades of Rochester, N. Y., have refused to work on a building which the company is erecting in that city until he recognizes the right of his Troy employes to organize for their own protection. The firm has declared to run an open shop, and as a result they are scouring the State for scabs to finish their new factory in Rochester, Thus far they have failed. It may be proper to mention right here they are compelled to send part of their work here to have laundried, taking advantage of the laundries here not being organized.

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If the members of organized labor really understood the potency of the union label they would not have to be looking around for political friends, and they are always plentiful about election times.

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The labor papers if properly supported would be a power in the movement. It is labor's only protector.

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If I had a thousand votes they would cheerfully be given to help elect William R. Hearst Mayor of New York City, and I only hope that every member of organized labor in that great metropolis will be able to see the necessity of casting a vote for labor's champion and best friend, not alone by words, but by deeds. And yet while Mr. Hearst stands for the union shop and is having arrayed against him all the big and little grafters in both the two old parties and is being denounced by the same class of men who denounced Abe Lincoln as "dangerous and revolutionary," yet labor unions as unions had better be careful about now and watch the fellow who wants to "swing" his union for this or that candidate. While party lines have, in a marked degree, been obliterated in the present New York City campaign—and that is one of the healthiest signs of the times—still one questions the wisdom of allowing politics to come within the four walls of the union rooms. Politics, like religion, should be left out of the unions, until workingmen learn to vote like they strike; one may as well tell them they must adopt some particular creed or church. One of the worst enemies organized labor has is the fellow who is desirous of "swinging" his union for his favorite candidate for public office.

F. C. ROBERTS.

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PIKELETS.

A-STRADDLE THE WATER WAGON.

With consummate skill has Billy Ball aptly portrayed
His friend, Jonadab Schooler; who admits he has played
Mighty sad havoc at times with "high balls" not a few,
'Bout which B. B. himself knows more than one thing or two;
Though for his friend Schooler of late all such "balls" have gone by,
And his friends now can behold him perched 'way upon high,
Straddling the wagon with ill grace and grip,
And urging forward his steeds with a crack of his whip.
Thus Billy Ball hath portrayed him without the least laggin',
While "high balls" would have sprawled him out prone 'neath the wagon.
Yet, alas for B. B., who should know fair fame would betide him,
If his friend could but "hike" him up on the wagon right beside him.

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AMUSEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

CHASE'S THEATER.

The bill presented this week at Chase's is first-class in every respect. George Fuller Golden as "Monologist to the King" is the leading attraction, and the remainder of the bill consists of Will Rogers, "the King of the Lariat," and company in thrilling cow boy exploits; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Truesdell and company in "Aunt Louisa's Advice;" Josephine Gassman and company in "A Chinese Idyll;" The Three Sensational Zoellers' great act; Dorsch and Russell's musical comedy novelty; Dan J. Harrington's "Over the Moon," and motion pictures of "The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes."

The management of this house has made arrangements to give returns on the night of election.

Want the Paper.

THE TRADES UNIONIST, *Washington, D. C.*

Gentlemen: Please apply the enclosed money order ($1) on my subscription. I was in Washington for the Mergenthaler Company when the *Record* machines were put in, and I take pleasure in reading of the doings of people whose friendship I formed while there.

JOHN H. CLAPHAM.

Brooklyn, N. Y.

THE TRADES UNIONIST: Please find $1.00 enclosed for subscription to THE TRADES UNIONIST. Could not get along without it as it keeps me in touch with the doings of the G. P. O., which is interesting in view of my having worked in several different divisions before going in business for myself. May THE TRADES UNIONIST prosper.

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First Division.

Everybody is lining-up, ready to be assigned to the night side.

R U going home to vote? If you are legally entitled, why not?

"Little Mike" lost his grip after the first attack. 'Twas ever thus.

A recent transfer to this Division was Joseph Gibson from the War Branch, Welcome, Joe.

Slug quotations: 51 to 91, 49 to 51, and 55 to 141. Prospects encouraging for a lively slug transaction within the next few days.

Don't you believe it. No witness ever testified that us printers received "thirty days leave with pay, and thirty days sick leave." An error of the reporter.

Yes, sir-ee, ex-Secretary Lillard returned from his Alabama trip, and reported for work on Monday. No place like Jake Lesher's just around the corner.

138 votes in favor of the 50 cent per week assessment for the strike fund, 33 votes in the negative, was the announced result of Monday's ballot in this chapel.

No, it was not "gates ajar" but the gates at a railroad street crossing in South Washington that came mighty near putting our old friend E. M. Root out of commission.

Doc. Radley has returned from his leave. So also has Geo. E. Breitenbach, who had the privilege of seeing President Roosevelt in the City of Birmingham last week.

Disbursing officer Walter E. Bennett's popular and efficient paying-teller, E. J. Wilver, has returned from his "home-going" up to Sunbury, Pa. Everybody is glad to see him back.

The sincere sympathy of the many friends of J. M. Eggleston, of the War Branch, formerly of the main office, goes out to him, in the recent death of his wife, a most estimable lady.

Not so. That trite expression don't go any more, "few die and none resign." Two resignations during the past week—Wm. H. Bright, of this chapel, and Titus F. Ellis of the Proof Division.

Talk about "tainted money" is all the rage. How about those "tainted" lunches some of the printers have been served with in this Division? Not right; the printers pay the price, why not have the best?

A first-class eating saloon in proximity to the G. P. O. would be a paying investment; also why so many small places? Some printer capitalist should give the proposition practical consideration.

G. P. O. Council 211, National Union, will give one of its fine entertainments in Pythian Hall, on Friday evening, November 10. An interesting program has been prepared. Admittance free—by card only.

From the meagre replies to the query, "Do you wish to learn the Lanston?" it would seem that there are less than a legion of comps. desirous of acquiring knowledge of the much-discussed machine.

Three taking out on leave this week—Imposer Chas. F. Garrette, James Kane, and Ed. Heidingsfeld, the last named, as customary in years past, will return to New York City and participate in the battle of the ballots.

The gentleman from North Carolina, also a real estate possessor in the District of Columbia, having absorbed all his "leave," has returned, and now oh, beware of that deadly, fascinating scrub, scrub—we mean Sergeant Waller's friend—Simon Pocher.

Letter received from Oscar Nelson, located permanently at Los Angeles, Cal., conveys the information that he "is now a newspaper man, with plenty of work." The weather is delightful and his health is much improved. All of which is good news.

A suggestion. If a night school for instruction in good manners were established, pupils in abundance could be found in some Divisions, especially in——well, the ill-mannered folk it seems we must be afflicted with, and are spread around promiscuously.

George Schoeneman, of the "Y," sustained a severe cut of the left hand bright and early Monday morning, while cutting a "chew of tobacco." Surgeon Manning was speedily summoned, dressed the injuries and the injured man returned to his home.

Intelligent friend, where art thou? Ponderous questions are daily discussed around the lunch table of this (the banner) Division, so amiably presided over by Miss Annie. The topics of talk (or hot air) range from the merits of Anheuser-Busch to the perplexities of Euclid's problems. There is nothing too deep or too shallow for the average printer to tackle. The "arguefiers" do not all sign the First Division's pay-roll, but belong in the various Divisions.

F. H. Berger, of the "cage staff," has been furnished with a mighty fine accountant's desk. But, then Fred is our affable and expert clerk, and as the young gent remarked to his sweetheart "the best is none too good for you," that is our bouquet to our clever young friend.

Great changes in the interior arrangements of this Division are in daily progress under the efficient management and supervision of Foremans Young and Bowen. The crowded condition of the old building, in which many happy hours were passed, was nothing in comparison to the new building.

This Division was favored with a call on Monday from W. Y. Morgan, brother of our T. Frank Morgan. W. M. is the editor and proprietor of the *Northern Neck News*, Warsaw, Va. We are pleased to learn that he has a large patronage. That he was delighted with his first visit to the big printery goes without saying.

Well, how about it? Hope this is your own TRADE UNIONIST you are so interestingly scanning. Cost trifling; accruing advantage great. We should have, with our present force, not less than a hundred paying readers. And you will not miss the trifling cost. Kindly hand your name to F. H. Berger, and he will do the rest.

Can you explain it? Some compositors will work for years and years on the day force with not a single thought of the toiling night workers. But let them get married, and see how quickly they will pathetically appeal to Charlie Young or John Berg to be transferred to their particular Divisions when they make up their forces. 'Twas ever thus. Names can be furnished.

There are members of Columbia Union, 101 (and they are not few in number), who estimate and treat matters pertinent to the integrity and welfare of unionism from a purely selfish standpoint—"How will it help or hurt me"—that's seemingly the gauge; they care not a baubee for the good of fellow-craftsmen in other less-favored sections. "We have eight hours, that's all we want." Such representatives of our noble craft are Union men in name only.

Chairman H. W. Templar, accompanied by Secretary Philip S. Steele, of this Chapel, appeared before the Pennsylvania Conference of the United Brethren Church, which was in session in this city recently, and presented a letter numerously signed, protesting against its action in indorsing the manager of the United Brethren Publishing House, of Dayton, Ohio, in his refusal to sign an eight-hour agreement with Dayton Union. The letter was referred to a committee, who reported a set of resolutions indorsing organized labor, which were unanimously adopted.

The chap—there are several of him—who says he did not vote for the 50-cent assessment because he did not know if the members of the Executive Committee were using the strike funds in a proper way, is giving a reason that his own good sense and judgment, if he possesses such quality and function, reject. He knows such argument is untenable; a half dollar of the twenty-four he receives every week is bigger to him than the good of his many fellows who work eight and ten hours a day for less than $4. His decrepit union principles will, sooner or later, perish from inanition.

In the September issue of the *National Union*, the organ of the Association, published at Toledo, Ohio, on the second page, appeared a fine cut of the National Union Baseball team of that city. In the front row reading from the right sitting down, is a "dead ringer," for our popular bank-man, H. S. Gunn. The third row standing, first man to the right is a splendid picture of Chas. T. Hendler, Esq., President of the Cabinet of the District of Columbia. We neglected to say that Harry Gunn is a member of Mount Vernon Council and L. H. Lanman's "hurry-up" Relief which pays $200 almost before the last breath stops. Singular what lifelike representations, and all active members of one of the best fraternal organizations in this country, or any other.

Everybody works but Sehorn,
He sits around all day,
Sergeant Thompson draws his breath,
And also draws his pay.
As a helper Viles is cunning,
Tom Waterman's in the way;
Bob Mayers does his very best,
But "Heidey" has all the say.

ROUGH WRITER.

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Tommy Dougherty is slowly improving.

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Lack of space compels the omission of many interesting items.

I have not yet returned Rough Writer's shake, but will do so now.

Adolph Hohouser, from the folding room, is at present a member of this force.

Curious thing, why should not we have more en-scabbard for en-quadded tables?

Why should not this Division have a lunch counter? Something very much needed.

Unionism stands as a bulwark against the formation of a class system in this country.

A. K. Williamson (Slug 6) is interested in a newspaper published in Bessemer, Ala.

Joe Farwell and Harold Benedict, I have been informed, are employed on the *World*, New York City.

The vote in this Division for and against the eight-hour assessment, was 66 for and 32 against. It might have been worse.

Those average books, which are very useful, will be issued next month to suit the requirements of the new date for averages. Hubert Newsom, transferred to the *Record* last week, will have them in charge.

Tom Jones, well known as a tenor singer, was married six years ago Wednesday of last week. On the same date, in the same house, last Wednesday evening, his sister was married to a gentleman whose name was the same as his own. Strange, but true.

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The calculating gentlemen who differentiate with us as to wages, annual leave, etc., should remember two facts: One is, the strain of typesettiug in the G. P. O. is more severe than in a private office. The second is we get twenty-six days only of the annual leave, whereas other departments obtain the full thirty days. As to sick leave we get none.

The printer's occupation, as should be well known, is decidedly unhealthy. Ask any physician acquainted with the printer class and he will inform you that the majority of printers die of tuberculosis. I will venture to state that let any one of the economically disposed gentlemen try one day at the case and he will at once want wages doubled—at least leave them as they are now.

Why should a line be drawn between clerical helpers and men who set type? The clerical force of the Government have the full quota of thirty days' annual leave; in addition they get thirty days of sick leave. The mechanical department of the Government is directly mulcted out of the extra four days of annual leave, and, as to sick leave, the class which requires it most gets it not a day.

The blush of shame should rest on the cheeks of the would-be agitators who determinedly advocate a recession of humane principle. The time will come when the mechanical workman will be recognized as worthy of the same consideration as his more pretentious brother who employs the pen as a means of gaining a livelihood.

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This week's issue of patents is 622; trademarks, 184; designs, 21.

George Carney reported for duty again on Tuesday and with a smile that won't come off. Congratulations were many and cordial. A girl!

The aged mother of our fellow craftsman, Will K. Martin, recently suffered a stroke of paralysis and is now in a critical condition at Garfield Hospital.

The opening of the new lunch-room across the way was the occasion for a grand rush. It just emphasized the fact that nothing is so popular as the free lunch.

Maker-up Light took a slice of his leave to visit kinfolk and old-time friends in Lebanon, Pa., (Sherksoldtown) and cavorted around to Philadelphia, Gotham, and Coney Island, returning just in time to escape the last pay-roll.

The "Spess" people are looking on with some amusement at the work of the slate writers, who are engaging in some previousness in the matter of naming the ticket for next May—a harmless amusement so long as it is confined to the Gaston-Alfonse stage.

The vote on the eight hour assessment met with opposition from a few who fell victims to the impression that the total fund called for was to come alone from their individual purses. Only for this temporary alienation of reason it is believed that the vote in favor of the proposition would have been unanimous.

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Chairman Davis named Miss Evans and Frank McDermott as assistants in getting and tabulating the vote on Monday.

The returns do not show that the men of the downtown book and job offices are opposed to the eight-hour day. Those who said they were are now as hard to find as the late Dorsey Foultz.

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The G. P. O. Veteran Club, which has its place of meeting at Pythian Temple, has come to be the social center for families of ex-soldiers and invited guests. The Club is increasing in numbers and popularity by reason of its varied and pleasing programmes of entertainment, which usually consist of related war incidents, recitations, songs, etc. The Rebew Orchestra is usually in attendance, and this alone is the guarantee of a rich musical feast. Supper is served at the conclusion of the numbered program, when the social feature has full swing until the seasonable hour for "lights out" and home-going arrives. C. M. ("Charley") Garrette is the popular President of the Club, and his continuance as such may be determined by the number of years he is permitted to remain with us. May these be many and richly blessed.

Personal Mention.

James M. Lynch, president International Typographical Union, made a flying trip to this city from Indianapolis on Wednesday of last week, returning the same day.

We clip the following from *The Labor News*, Colorado Springs, Colo:

John L. Kennedy, a former president of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, and well known to the craft throughout the I. T. U. jurisdiction, made ye editor of *The Labor News* a very pleasant call Saturday. Mr. Kennedy is interested in the oil business, his brother having discovered a valuable "strike" on the Kennedy ranch sixteen miles east of this city. He left Tuesday night for Washington, D. C.

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Allied Printing Trades Council meets last Thursday in the month at Typographical Temple. Elmer Johnson, Secretary, No. 2009 Flagler street northwest.

Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13, of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101. Mrs. A. C. Webb, president, 314 Tenth street northeast; Mrs. E. H. Thomas, secretary, The Bertholdt, 128 Maryland avenue southwest. Meets at Typographical Temple first Monday in each month.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 333 I street s w.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

Bricklayers, No. 1, meets second and fourth Thursdays in each month at Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. Milford Spohn, Secretary, 1238 Eighth street northwest.

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Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5, meets every Friday night at 7.30, in Hall 1, Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. George W. Nyman, Secretary, 1253 Eighth street northwest.

Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

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Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, Amalgamated, No. 148, meets second and fourth Wednesdays at 922 Pennsylvania avenue n. w. Martin Hellmuth, Secretary, 609 D street southwest.

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Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Union, No. 11773, meets second Tuesday in each month at 7.30 p. m., Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. Frank F. Hartwell, Secretary, 810 Twentieth street northwest.

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners. First Branch, meets every alternate Monday evening at 610 G street northwest, Building Trades Hall. President, R. R. Rhodes. Financial and Recording Secretary, Fred Hook, 1034 Sixth street northeast. Business Agent, W. F. Gilmore, 624 Sixth street northwest.

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Typothetæ Inner Things.

[From the St. Louis *Progressive Printer* for October.]

There is no use "kicking against the pricks." The United Typothetæ is not yet quite of age and still it has a task before it which maturer organizations would hesitate undertaking. It looks now as if it had sold goods which it cannot deliver. The organization was formed in 1887, to fraternize, to defend its rights, and to advance through social features and with all powers delegated in convention. This has all been changed. It is now a law making body, offensive instead of defensive, with all powers in the hands of the executive officers, and the elimination of all pleasure functions. But one thing it has not been able to do, and very important it is too. It did not change the constitutional tendencies of its members when its printed constitution was changed, and so, "men are only boys grown tall, hearts don't change much after all." The Typothetæ speaks of members under its control, but it has no such control whatever; this is an inner truth. Then, any contingency such as the mercenary interests of a member through alliance or business connection will sway his allegiance; this is another inner truth. Jealousies engendered in the ordinary competition for business is still another inner truth. And finally, but not all, was the jealousy recently manifested through the favorititism shown certain firms by the Union, in not calling out their men as they had done from others of the Typothetæ shops. All these are sap destroyers and they weaken the parent organization, or rather they place a rational limitation of powers upon it.

G. P. O. BOWLING LEAGUE.

The Aldines, Moroccos, and Foundry are now tied for first, each having won 14 and lost 10. The Index and Reserves are fourth and fifth, respectively, each having played three less games than the leaders, while the Cow-Boys and Commercials are still within hailing distance. The Pressmen are still in last place, but are not out of the race by any means. The interest among the employes of the office is great and great is the applause given by the audience when their favorite team wins. The club standing follows:

	W.	L.	P.ct.
Aldines	14	10	.583
Foundry	14	10	.583
Moroccos	14	10	.583
Index	12	9	.571
Reserves	11	10	.524
Cow-Boys	10	11	.476
Commercials	9	12	.428
Pressmen	6	18	.250

In individual average McCarthy has passed Allen, owing to a set of games where the pins broke bad for him. Allen still has high score for a single game and also is high man for a set with an average of 205 for three games. Carey, Walsh and Brown bettered their averages during the week while Fitzwilliam dropped from 177 to 171. McAloon, of the Index, during practice one evening recently rolled 279. The individual averages follow:

Name.	G.	T. P.	Av.
Aldines—			
Allen	24	4317	179.21
O'Connell	20	3335	166.15
Richards	19	3156	166.2
Beddow	13	2055	158.1
Crump	14	2155	153.13
Schinnerer	15	2278	151.13
Nachman	6	841	140.1
Nevils	4	551	137.3
Peed	2	277	135.2
Heisler	1	137	137
Nace	1	123	123
Solomon	1	114	114
Foundry—			
Carey	24	4107	171.3
Brown	24	4035	168.3
Addison	24	3920	163.8
Schultz	15	2206	147.1
Markham	5	730	146
Johnson	6	871	145.1
Briggs	6	870	145
Splann	6	857	142.5
Brosee	4	573	143.1
Morocco—			
Crass	24	3947	164.11
Conroy	24	3834	159.18
Herbeck	20	3190	159.10
Holby	24	3754	156 10
Hope	16	2514	158.13
Zook	3	446	148.2
Kukart	6	747	124.4
Deakins	2	310	155
Herrmann	1	112	112
Index—			
McCarthy	21	3801	181
Atkinson	12	2000	166.8
McAloon	16	2527	157.15
McFayden	14	2122	151.8
Childress	21	3267	155.12
Murray	6	939	156.3
Baxter	3	379	126.1
Wear	3	414	138
Saltzman	3	361	120.1
Reserves—			
Walsh	21	3623	172.11
Long	9	1522	169.1
Atkins	18	2996	166.8
Niehus	18	2874	159.12
Norbeck	18	2941	154.15
Textor	6	878	146.2
Arnold	9	1286	142.8
Cow-Boys—			
Glade	18	3029	168.5
Dwyer	18	2940	163.6
Sparth	9	1471	163.4
Bunker	9	1453	161.4
Wuesthoff	15	2248	149.13
Hoffman	12	1775	147.11
Laframboise	14	2031	145.1
Commercials—			
Fitzwilliam	18	3095	171.17
Clark	21	3412	162.10
Williams	18	2916	162
Spence	12	1850	154.2
Holt	12	1803	150.3
McDonough	6	878	146.2
Sturm	3	430	143.1
Beckert	3	426	142
Mohler	3	415	138.1
Wolf	6	832	138.4
Pressmen—			
Powers	21	3471	165.6
Lednum	21	3297	157
Dohoney	15	2394	159.9
Shawen	18	2657	147.11
Burkhardt	11	1433	143.3
Webb	17	2216	130.6
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Sample	3	352	117.1

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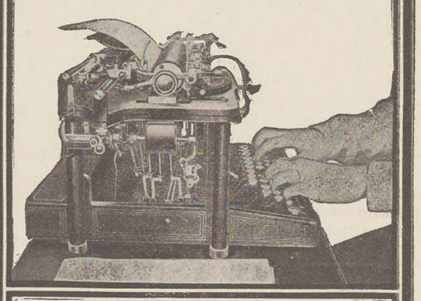

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday, President McCarthy in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Bill for printing supplies and advertising, amounting to $26 25, was read and ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Barber's Union, No. 305, indorsing action of Central Labor Union in placing Samuel S Gain, horseshoer, on unfair list. Placed on file.

From Bartenders' League, No. 75, stating that Frank Endres, Park Hotel, No. 1015 I street northwest, was unfair to their organization, and asked Central Labor Union to take action. Referred to Grievance Committee.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE.

The Grievance Committee reported that they were unable to adjust the grievance between W. S. Jenks & Co. and Sheet Metal Workers' Union, No. 102, and recommended that that firm be placed on the unfair list. Agreed to.

The Committee also made a like report in case of Dave Wolf, shoe dealer, 432 Seventh street northwest, and the recommendation placing that firm on the unfair list was also adopted.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Bakers: That a committee from Horseshoer's Union had called on them and called attention to certain boss bakers who were having their horses shod in nonunion shops. The attention of the Central Labor Union was called to the thirteenth clause of the agreement of the Bakers' Union and Bakers' Association. A committee of two was appointed to notify the parties concerned that the question at issue should be adjusted according to the article mentioned.

Bricklayers: Requested that the Legislative Committee be instructed to draft a bill covering employers liability to workmen in his employment and submit same to this body for approval, and then have same submitted to Congress.

Musicians: Called attention to their union card, and stated that the card would be displayed in all halls where union music is used exclusively.

Printing Pressmen: That they would act in conjunction with Columbia Typographical Union should trouble occur on January 1 in securing the eight-hour day.

Retail Clerks: Called attention to Dave Wolf, shoe dealer, 432 Seventh street northwest, being on unfair list.

Retail Grocery Clerks: Called attention to a circular publishing the fair stores employing members of that union.

Sheet Metal Workers: That Jolly Fat Men had complied with their request and given sheet metal work on their building to a union firm.

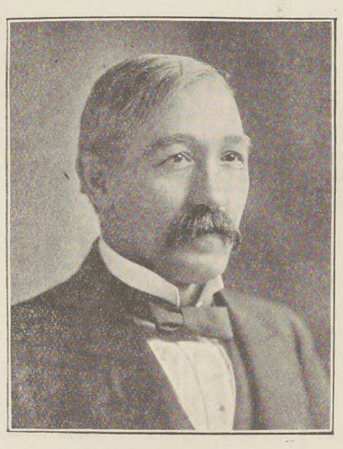
Stationary Firemen: Asked for information as to status of their case against Newspaper Publishers Association. They were informed that the matter had been dropped.

A motion was made that the matter be referred back to the Grievance Committee with instructions to secure a contract from Publishers Association for Stationary Firemen, and report back to this body. An amendment was offered that the matter be referred back to the Grievance Committee to endeavor to secure a written or verbal contract with the Publishers Association and the Stationary Firemen.

The amendment was lost; the original motion was carried.

The Label Committee reported that distribution of cards advertising label goods had been effected.

Adjourned.



NORMAN C. SPRAGUE,
Central Labor Union Delegate to A. F. of L. Convention.

Norman C. Sprague is a Western product of good old Quaker stock. He has been active in the councils of his Union (Printing Pressmen's Union, No. 1) and the Central Labor Union ever since his connection with both bodies. He has served on a number of committees of the Central Labor Union, and is at present chairman of the Grievance Committee of that body. Known as a conservative in thought and action he is a tower of strength to his organization in advancing its interests, but reserves the right to insist on justice and equity when the case is made out. In the choice of Mr. Sprague the central body will have an advocate that will look out for its interests at the Pittsburg Convention.

Factors in Social Reform.

By CHARLES STELZLE.

Josh Billings once said, "Before you can have an honest horse race you must have an honest human race."

There is lots of horse-sense in that statement. The present industrial system is not ideal. It is the aim of thousands of earnest men to make it so. But after all, the progress that is to be made in this direction shall be determined by the great masses of the people. The question of leadership is important, but more important still is the problem of the every day man. Any organization that influences him for the better is helping to bring in the golden age for which all good men are longing.

The Labor Union is a strong factor in this connection. Misunderstood, misrepresented, as it frequently is by friend and foe, nevertheless it is moulding men for better and nobler living. It has its own field. Men must not expect the labor union to perform the functions of societies which are organized for other purposes. If it works out its own problems—and they are important enough—men should be willing to give trades unionism due credit.

The same thing is true of the church. Almost every social reformer claims Jesus Christ as the champion of his particular social system, and he criticises the church because it does not boldly proclaim his theory. But it has not yet been proven that any social theory, in its practical application, will bring about the millennial dawn. Furthermore, the advocates of these systems are not clear in their own minds as to just what they want or how their schemes will work. Is it not folly, then, to ask the church to advocate a system which even its own advocates have not yet fully thought out. Back of every honestly advocated social theory there is a great moral principle. There are many definitions of Socialism. Among other things true Socialism demands "from every man according to his ability." That means a life of service. Communism demands the surrender of one's personal interest for the good of all. That means self-sacrifice. Anarchism demands the doing of right without the strong compelling arm of the law. That means justice, love, purity.

It will be seen that the success of any of these great social reform measures which are being presented to workingmen is dependent upon a high, unselfish character. Christianity makes a specialty of the development of this character. That is its chief business. The principle of Jesus Christ was ideal. He struck at evil, at sin. He tried to change men rather than methods. He did not advocate the reform measures of His day because He knew that they were insufficient for the needs of the twentieth century. He taught the principles which will be applicable to every century. That should be the chief function of the church. If the church were to advocate a particular social theory which may today be accepted by a majority, it would lay itself open to criticism in the next generation which shall have outgrown the system. It would be very easy to show how in the past the church has made that mistake. The next generation will not be satisfied with our solution of the labor problem. As a matter of fact the labor question will not be settled until the last day's work is done.

But while the church must not commit itself to any economic system, it should apply Christ's great principles of justice, of love, of service, to every problem that confronts society today.

ENTRE NOUS.

One of the great evils existing in the printing trade in this city is the placing of large contracts for printing outside the city.

A correspondent to the paper sends in the following:

Boyd's Washington City Directory for 1906, the names for which have nearly all been collected and are now being arranged in alphabetical order, is to be printed by the Somersville Printing Co., Somersville, N. J. So says the manager of this publication. I wonder if the people of Somersville insert their ads in, and subscribe for this book. There are printing firms here capable of doing it just as artistically, perhaps, but then, there may be some Chinese firms in Somersville. This concern also advertises for intelligent men to solicit names for its book and pays them the exorbitant price of $1.25 a day. They seem to put no premium on intelligence, and perhaps their printing ideas are as finical.

Here is a publication that is purely local and should be printed here if possible. The sending of work out of town that can be done here, whether it be printing or anything else, ought to be discouraged.

A number of the large mercantile houses have printing done in other cities, one of the exceptions being the firm of W. B. Moses & Son, who believe in patronizing home industry. There is quite a field here for the Allied Printing Trades Council to secure work for the employers of labor here and it should be taken up at once.

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In my walk about town on Sunday I frequently observe numbers of strangers here for a day taking a look at the beauties of the Capital City. With the Congressional Library open and the Corcoran Art Gallery open it seems peculiar to say the least that the Botanical Garden should be closed to the strangers in the city.

Here is a park covering about four city blocks, enclosed with a high iron fence, and the gates locked. The privilege is accorded the stranger of walking through the White House grounds, but the Botanical Garden is closed. In the summer, during the long days, this place is closed at 6 p. m., and it is a fact that visitors are driven through the gates in order to close up the grounds. If these grounds are the "personal asset" of this man Smith, who seems to own them, we ought to be advised of it. If not, let us have the grounds open on Sunday.

THE REFORMER.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

THE PRESIDENT'S RETURN.

On Tuesday while the cannons were booming and the Marine Band playing sweet music, Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States, walked down the gang plank from the *Dolphin* to terra firma to receive the congratulations of not only his family, the naval officers headed by Captain Leutze, Commandant of the Yard, but by hundreds of citizens who had gathered at the wharf to welcome the President home from his triumphant tour through the Southland.

While it was not of a demonstrative character, as sometimes is seen on the Avenue, particularly his reception on his return from Oyster Bay, yet it was such as to send a thrill of pleasure and enjoyment through the frame of anyone unless he be of such a callous nature that cannot be enthused.

If his arrival had been postponed for only one-quarter of an hour there would have been several thousand employees of the Yard present to welcome the chief. Unfortunately, however, he arrived a short time before the noon hour, which prevented the employees from participating in the welcome.

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There are several hundred employees of the Naval Gun Factory who reside across the river in Anacostia and Congress Heights. I have been requested by several of these employees to call the attention of the Commissioners, through the medium of the TRADES UNIONIST, to the fact that on several occasions recently the draw on the Anacostia bridge has been raised just about the time when the people who work in the city are going to their daily labor and kept open for such a length of time as to prevent them from getting to their places of employment in proper time, particularly the employees of the Naval Gun Factory, where the rules are so strict that if any employee is a fraction of a minute late he is compelled to lose one hour, or one-half a day, at the discretion of the superintendent.

These people claim, and with justice, that if the Commissioners will instruct the bridge attendants not to open the draw between the hours of seven and eight a. m. their troubles will be obviated, and while they will be benefited thereby no one will be injured in the premises. It is to hoped that the Commissioners, who are generally fair on such matters, will see the justice of their claim and act promptly in the matter.

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One of the prettiest weddings I have attended this season was solemnized on Wednesday evening, November 1, by the Rev. Wm. M. Nevins. The contracting parties were Miss Frances Elsie Cross and Richard Hilton Arnold. The parlors of the bride's parents, Captain and Mrs. Francis Eugene Cross, were beautifully decorated for the occasion, showing the artistic taste of the bride-to-be, as it was the handiwork of her own hands. Autumn leaves, palms and ferns formed a beautiful background to the young couple as they stood under a large bell of rose buds during the ceremony.

The bride wore a becoming dress of spotless white, trimmed with rare lace, while the gown was in conventional black.

After the ceremony refreshments were served to the many friends who had assembled for the occasion. The presents were both costly and numerous, thus showing the popularity of the young couple. The honeymoon will be spent on the Western Shore of Maryland, the home of the groom's parents. After December 1 they will be at home to their friends at 319 Ninth street southeast.

Captain Cross is well known to the old-timers of the Navy Yard, having in his younger days served an apprenticeship under the Navy Department, afterward casting his fortunes with the Police Department, when by strict attention to duty, he has earned the position he now occupies—captain of the Metropolitan Police Force.

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CONNECTICUT AND LOUISIANA.

As the weeks go by bringing these two battleships nearer completion, more than a passing interest, especially to trades unionists, is felt from the fact that the two vessels are being constructed along entirely different lines—one by the government on the eight-hour basis, the other by the contractor on the ten-hour plan. The completion of the two vessels will demonstrate one fact at least—whether the Government can build her own battleships just as good and as cheaply as the contractors under the conditions as enumerated.

It is well known to any observing person interested in such matters the great advantage the Newport News Shipbuilding Company had over the New York yard at the beginning, not only in having on hand a corps of mechanics accustomed to such work, but in having facilities necessary to handle the material used in the construction of the *Louisiana*, while the contrary was the case with the authorities of the New York yard, where everything had to be secured. Notwithstanding these delays and inconveniences the reports of the Construction Bureau of the Navy Department show that it is neck-and-neck between the two battleships.

It is well known that many members of Congress are in favor of the Government constructing its own vessels if the cost of the same does not exceed that of a private corporation. It is as well known also that many Congressmen (some, no doubt, interested in private ship yards) are just as adverse to the Government doing any manufacturing, whether it be constructing a vessel or building its equipments, such as guns, etc. It is also known, and I say it with regret, that many naval officers are in the latter category. Why, I cannot understand, when they are in a position to know that the contractor works for profit alone, and on all occasions will not only use the cheapest labor possible, but material also of inferior grade unless carefully watched by the Government inspectors.

It is now nip and tuck between these vessels, and all who are interested equally as well as I, hope that the *Connecticut* will not only lead her sister, the *Louisiana*, to completion, but when the final test of speed and endurance is applied it will be shown that union labor, working union hours, under the supervision of naval constructors, have so excelled their competitors that Congress will at once see the advisability of keeping the Government yards constantly filled with orders—in constructing all kinds of Government vessels on the eight-hour basis.

This eight-hour question is the bone of contention. No wonder that private corporations bring all the pressure at their command to bear on members of Congress to defeat the eight-hour bill when they know by experience that the average class of mechanics employed by these corporations cannot compete in quantity or quality with the employees under the Government, notwithstanding the former working ten hours per day in comparison to that of eight hours for the latter class.

TIM TICKLE.

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

A letter from Wilfred Bancroft, secretary of the Monotype Company, Philadelphia, says: "We are sending you, under separate cover, copy of the advance sheets of our Monotype Keyboard Book, which pray accept with our compliments. We should be much pleased to have your criticism of this in order to assist us in the preparation of the balance of the book." A year ago last August I walked the streets of Philadelphia as did Benjamin Franklin a hundred years before, only I carried a mammoth keyboard under my arm instead of the traditional loaf of bread. At the Monotype plant I met Mr. Bancroft, showed him my keyboard and endeavored to impress upon him the necessity of this company manufacturing something of that nature for the use of would-be students like myself. He gave me a note of introduction to the gentleman in charge of their exhibit at the St. Louis Exposition, and by persistent effort I was enabled to materialize, some months later, with the *desideratum*. I shall endeavor to contribute to their forthcoming publication.

Japanese Exclusion League.

The following resolution was presented by Secretary-Treasurer O. A. Tveitmoe, of the San Francisco Building Trades Council, and unanimously adopted by the above named organization, March 9, 1005:

Resolved, That the Building Trades Council of San Francisco, the City Front Federation, San Francisco Labor Council, the several Employers' Associations, the various Improvement Clubs, send representatives to a convention for the purpose of organizing an Anti-Japanese League.

The result was that the initial meeting for the purpose of organizing an Anti-Japanese League was held in Lyric Hall, Sunday, May 7, 1905.

Men who work hard six days in the week, and on the seventh, prefer to remain at home with their families, or take them for a stroll through the park; but a call had gone out, the gathering place was old B'nai B'rith Hall, and there the representatives of over 40,000 workingmen assembled to take the initial step to safeguard the interests of themselves and their fellowmen.

There was nothing rabid in the utterances of the speakers, only plain, conservative talks from plain men who knew what they wanted to say and said it. There were indications of iron about the nails of some of the delegates, and bulging coatsleeves showing swelling muscles when they made gestures, but their talks were all in one line: "The protection of the American home."

Some present owned their own little homes, while a majority know what it is to sit with the good wife of an evening and figuring on approaching rent day and make up the cash on hand to see if there is enough to carry the family over until pay day. They were not men who can take their tool box in one hand and their grip in the other and move on to the next town when work is scarce here, but they were men with families; men with busy little feet to keep shod and hungry little mouths to feed. Men who want to maintain a wage that will permit lace curtains to the parlor windows, a carpet on the floor, and a piano in the corner for the girls, and at the same time put a bit by to meet the hard luck that comes to all.

Not once was the subject referred to as a union-labor movement, but, on the contrary, it was expressly declared that the delegates met there on the broader ground of Americans and the protection of American homes.

The meeting was for the purpose of effecting permanent organization of an Anti-Japanese League over the entire Coast and throughout the United States, but for the immediate present the interests of the Pacific Coast, as the advanced outpost, are paramount.

It is not a union-labor movement, but one in which all classes are interested, for it requires but little thought to demonstrate that the event of the Japanese into all branches of skilled labor affects the income of the capitalist, the trade of the merchant and the rental of the landlord, equally with the wage of the workingmen.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

Bookbinders Entertainment.

An entertainment and dance will be given by the Bookbinders of the Government Printing Office and branches, on Tuesday, November 21, at the National Rifles Armory.

The hall will be tastefully decorated with ferns and plants. Some of the best talent in Washington will appear, and a first-class orchestra will render the music for the dance, which will begin at 10 p. m.

The money raised at this social event will be placed in the fund for proper entertainment of the visiting delegates and the legitimate expenses necessary to carry on the International Convention of Bookbinders, which will be held in Washington next June.

Personal Mention.

Mr. Harry T. McGrath and wife, of Charlotte, Mich., arrived in Washington to-day for a visit to J. G. McGrath, his brother, who is a printer clerk in the Treasury Department.

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VOX POPULI has had its innings.

THE Frisco trades unionists landed SCHMITZ again as mayor.

THE stoker mayor of Bridgeport, Conn., MULVIHILL, went down to defeat.

Now that the election is over the so-called labor papers that have been supporting "friends of labor" will assume their normal positions.

JEROME, running on a ticket all by himself, cleaned up the deck and demonstrated that the people wanted him.

THE Supreme Court of the United States has handed down a decision sustaining the eight-hour law on Missouri's statute books.

WITH the eight-hour workday securely won it will be much easier to secure and maintain a satisfactory wage scale.

THE Typothetæ will at least gain some valuable experience in its losing fight against the eight-hour day.

THE last year's overcoat joke is ripe.

EVERY prosperous consumer added to the citizenship of a country is a source of healthy growth and stability. It is the chief end of organized labor to produce such consumers. High wages and the short work day are means looking toward this end.

As civilization advances low wages and low living give place to high wages and right living.

THE short workday will bring high wages to more consumers, which means human progress along safe and enduring lines.

UNDER-CONSUMPTION, not over-production, is the great economic menace to human society.

ROBERTS REFLECTIONS.

The trade union movement has passed the theory point; it is now an established fact. At first it was attacked by the martial law, and when that failed its enemies resorted to the courts, and as a last resort they are preaching for human liberty through the open shop.

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Every now and then the public press denounces labor unions for using the boycott against an unfair employer, claiming that it is unAmerican and should not be tolerated in a free country.

Probably the editorial writers who have a fit every time organized labor put a scab employer on the unfair list never read the first American boycott and unfair list which was published in this country. On page 173, Wilson's History American People, one will find a fac simile of the first boycott and unfair list issued and published in this country was signed by such men as George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Patrick Henry, John Adams and other leading patriots of that day.

A Boston merchant named William Jackson, who claimed the right to "run his business to suit himself," persisted in handling boycotted English goods against the protests of the "Sons of Liberty" and was boycotted. The boycott and unfair list of all merchants who handled such goods was given wide circulation throughout the American colonies.

Very seldom we hear any complaints about the blacklists which exists today through the Manufacturers Association, etc. The lockout antedated the sympathetic strike and the blacklist was established long before labor saw the potency of the boycott.

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Trade unions are the very bulwarks of modern democracies, and stand for universal peace, but peace must come with honor.

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When the white paper trust was formed and put up the price of their product, the employing printers never murmured. But when the employees put a price on their product—their labor—one hears so much about the tyranny of labor. The Master Carpenters never complained when the lumber trust was formed, but whenever the Carpenters Union make a demand for an increased pay objection is made. So it is with the Bakers Union and all the other trades.

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The fellow who, with a union card in his pocket, says he has a right to spend his money "when, where, and for what he pleases," uses the same argument as the strike breaker, who invariably says he has a right to "work when, where, and how he pleases."

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The open shop is the first cousin to the sweat shop.

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It is lawful for an employer to lock out his men, but unlawful for the men to strike.

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According to some of the recent decisions of the courts in labor disputes, one would naturally think that the average employer has a property right in labor.

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Mr. Hearst was the first and only man who ever ran for a public office who went down into his own pockets and gave $15,000 to protect the purity of that which the best blood of our country was given for the ballot. In the past the rule has been to give money to debauch the ballot. But Hearst is a "revolutionist."

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During the investigation of the Landis Committee Civil Service in the G. P. O. was given a black eye as it were, by one of the witnesses. The writer can not understand how any one who has ever worked for the Government under the two systems—spoils and civil service—can advocate the former. True, the civil service laws may not be lived up to the letter of the law, still fifty per cent of civil service, to my mind, is better than none at all. The individual who secures a position on his or her merits is in a far better position to assert their rights than if they owed their jobs to some politician. Of all the people on earth to be pitied it is the fellow who wears the collar of some politician. In contrast one can not help but admire the independence of the street vender who pushes a cart.

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"Too much fraternalism," is what the subsidized press tells labor whenever they make a demand upon politicians for measures that will be a benefit to the majority. For my part give me more fraternalism and less infernalism.

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If the A. F. of L. legislative committee would keep tab on members of Congress who vote against labor bills, whether on the floor or in committee, and go into their districts and lay their records before the voters it would not be long before some labor bills passed Congress.

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The getting together of the several local Carpenters Unions in the city is something that has long been desired by the men who have the labor movement at heart.

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Labor unions may well take a lesson from the Indians. When this country was first settled if instead of one tribe fighting the other they had pooled their interest they would have been in a much better position to cope with the "pale face." But like many unions to-day, just so long as they are not attacked it matters little to them if the other fellows are put out of business.

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There is no getting around the fact that every time we buy a nonunion article we are putting our money into the hands of the open-shop advocates.

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The International Cigarmakers Union has a reserved fund of over a million dollars in its treasury. The dues are 30 cents per week. Strike and out-of-work benefits are paid out of dues, besides paying from $200 to $550 death benefit.

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The members of the New York evening *Journal* chapel raised $50 for the locked-out laundry workers of Troy.

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The fellow who attacks the trade union movement is offering an insult to the bone and sinew of American manhood and womanhood.

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The only thing left for labor unions to do when their employer tells them that he is not opposed to unions as long as they do not attempt to regulate hours and wages is to pay sick benefits and bury their dead. For if unions did not do that the employes may have to.

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The large majority vote given in favor of the fifty cent per week assessment throughout the whole country shows clearly that the members of the International Typographical Union were in earnest when they voted for an eight-hour day beginning January 1, 1906. Realizing that it will take a large amount of money to carry this issue to a successful consummation, the printers have by their votes made it possible to furnish their officers with a weekly sum of about $10,000. With a like sum coming in weekly probably the Typothetæ may begin sueing for peace. With all their wealth at their command they can not buy enough of American manhood to run one good-sized plant. And the sooner they realize that the better for all concerned.

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The recent convention of bankers which was held in this city could not let the opportunity pass without reflecting the sentiments of the Manufacturers' Association, the National Typothetæ, the Parryites, and all the others who are banded together for the purpose of the overthrow of Unionism among workingmen, and they selected Frank A. Vanderlip, former Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, to take a fall, as it were, out of organized labor. Think of it! A body of non-producers going out of their way to unjustly attack the organized workers of the country—the very men who by their labor produce the wealth of the land. His criticism of the manner and acts of men high in social and financial standing was merited by the recent disclosures in all parts of the country, disclosures which have shocked the civilized world, and being daily associated with such men he no doubt knew just what he was talking about, but when he declared that "We are threatened by great social disorders; that the edict of a labor leader might change a cloudless sky into an uncertain one, and that their is a disregard of law in labor unions," he showed clearly an utter lack of knowledge of the laws governing labor unions, and no doubt took advantage of the opportunity to assail labor unions so as to get away from the recent scandals of men of his own class. He says "labor unions have no regard for law or order." Every time a union man assaults a strike breaker the unfriendly press gives sensational headlines to the same, but they never speak of the many benefits derived through the unions, and that is where Mr. Vanderlip gets his information. Who ever heard of labor unions buying up city councils, legislatures, stealing franchises from the people, defrauding the judiciary, robbing the Government, including city, State, and National, to say nothing of the various schemes of so-called "business men" to rob the public? Labor unions neither teach nor uphold violence or unlawful acts, and because a few men may have transgressed the law is no reason why the movement should be condemned. The press tells us that "Banker's Row" in the Ohio penitentiary is overcrowded with bankers. Is that any reason why all bankers should be condemned—if they do take the people's money and loan it to them again at an increased cost from 2 to 3 per cent?

Mr. Vanderlip's time could have far better been spent in trying to inculcate a spirit of honesty and fair dealing among the "business men" which he represented, many of whom worship at the altar of mannon and whose creed is greed, for recent developments in the "business world" is only bringing to the surface what Mr. Lawson, of Frenzied Finance fame, has been telling the public for the past two years, that the whole system is honeycombed with rottenness. And if my memory serves me right, the National City Bank of New York is the head of the "System" which Mr. Lawson has charged with doing that which, if true, ought to put every official connected with the "System" behind prison bars.

F. C. ROBERTS.

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Smile at the thought that she might ease its smart.

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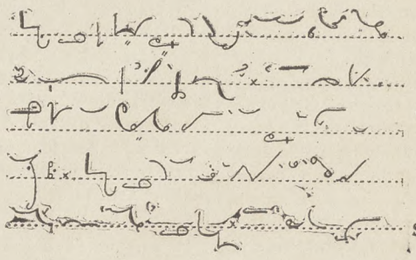
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THOSE FATEFUL TWO LETTERS.

Two letters alone are all-sufficient to tell
The mighty trend of this world in which we all dwell,
And not only that, but to each thing that pertains
To earth and its people, and all else it contains.

Yea, ver'ly, yes, no hardship it is to portray
The fate of things earthly by the letters d k.

AND THE FOX JUMPS OVER THE DOG.

That we are living to learn as onward we jog,
Is today as correct as it ever has been;
That "a brown red fox jumps over the lazy dog"
Is, we're told, the key to a type-setting machine.
All which may be true in ev'ry letter and word,
Yet of that we can neither deny nor affirm,
But the fox and dog story is simply absurd,
And its concocter should be sent up for a term.

WATCH AND PRAY.

Wise indeed are the sinners who frequently pray
That by the light of His love, no flickering ray,
Our Lord in His wisdom will illumine their way
From bright youth to old age, from strength to decay,
And not only guide, but that in mercy He may
Vouchsafe to us all abundant grace ev'ry day
To shun temptation to sin, and never more stray
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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

A temporary detail sent over to the Spess.

R. H. Mayers is in charge of a detail down in alley 26.

All the temps. were furloughed on Saturday at close of office hours for a few days.

Another Indian chief—this time on two floor going out. Hungry Joe, I know—Big Indian.

Fred Berger, of the staff, was very bizzy-izzy recent days re-arranging, marking, and codifying the lockers.

Our sympathy goes out to our fellow-workman, J. T. Haskins, in the recent death of a loved sister in Raleigh, N. C.

Judge Underwood visited his home city, Baltimore, and had something to say or do concerning the Poe amendment.

C. T. Harding, the expert veteran timekeeper of the Fourth Division, left for Bellefontaine, Ohio, on Friday night.

Billy Lentz and Charlie Howle, of Oscar Bellinger's "repair gang," left on s. f. (slow freight) Saturday night for Columbus, Ohio.

The following members of this chapel have been on the sick list during the week: A. W. Sefton, V. B. Pinkston, Geo. J. Woodgate, and Thaddeus J. Coles.

Messrs. Woodward and Barton, "picture printers," with their cage and Jack Burnside's cage of "blocks" have been removed to the floor above, and located on G street side.

The daily newspapers of New Orleans continue to use praiseworthy words in speaking of Mr. James C. Spottswood and his Thespian efforts in the critical Crescent City.

Jim made himself "solider" during the week with his carload of friends—we mean "Brody," Col. Dickman's "near-end platform" father. He played Carlisle Indians for favorites.

The "burning question," when, oh, when will the twenty-seven alleys be numbered? Then, and only then, will we know "where we at," or which direction we are going. O, for a Jewett!

Geo. Schoeneman, owing to the painful character of the self-inflicted cut on his right hand, was compelled to lay off all week. All on account of a "chaw of tobacco." It comes high, but——.

Friends, a little more urbanity would be a very graceful adornment to some of the elevator conductors in the big big building. Courtesy, young gentlemen, costs nothing, but is one of the kingly traits.

There are few people in the G. P. O. who will not miss Mr. Dan Vaughan, recently resigned from the Proof Room, and wish for him that success for which no adequate measure can be devised. *Au revoir*, but not good bye.

Col. Tom Peter, the ever efficient and polite assistant doorkeeper, has charge of the telephone room in the slow hour of the day, from 30 minutes after 3 until the whistle calls us off from "labor to rest" at half past four.

We would sincerely and without reservation return our profound thanks to the numberless friends who have so voluntarily assisted to make our weekly message interesting. Without this generous assistance we would fall far short.

That we may ever speak pleasantly to our toiling brother is the earnest desire of our heart. A soft answer or tender reply costs nothing and makes one feel all the better for its utterance. Cheer up, boys, and act upon this proffered suggestion.

'Tis near the period when the delegate bee begins to hum. "How doth the little busy bee improve each shining hour." Frank Morgan intimates that he heard one buzzing in the bonnet of an inmate of alley 24 the other day. Let her buz.

Since our last letter, our silent friend, J. W. Cross, having recovered from his recent sickness, also his leave, has returned to work. By the way, in the years agone, this gentleman has done more for the benefit of his fellow-workmen than any other single individual within the range of thought.

J. M. Eggleston, of the War branch, was a welcome visitor during the week. Less than a quarter of a century ago Joe was among one of the most popular and talked of comps. in the G. P. O. But, as we advance in years, we get further away from the storm-center, and finally drop out, but the great workshop moves right along, and so it will be until time shall be no more. When in a sober, reflective mood, did you ever give it a thought?

The two busiest ladies in the G. P. O. are Mrs. Naomi Ellis and Mrs. Eugenia A. Yates, telephone operators. Then, too, they are not only exactingly proficient, but courteous to all patrons, which is an additional advantage. From the "hot-end" of the telephone in the busy hours, deliver us.

The wonderful "Story of Gettysburg," one of the decisive battles of the world, was the subject of an interesting lecture by Col. R. M. Calhoun, lieutenant of the watch, at Pythian Temple, recently. It has caused considerable sensation in Grand Army circles, judging from the daily papers.

The Apostle Paul writing to Timothy said, in effect, that the man who did not provide for his family was worse than an infidel. See to it, reader, before it is everlastingly too late, that you have a benefit certificate in the National Union for the protection of the loved ones when the summons comes.

With two divisions occupying the space heretofore filled by one, it is to be presumed there will be a few jams at 12 m. and 4 30 p. m. daily, "except Sundays and holidays. Shadows, like our esteemed friends, Col. Bill Bailey, of the Second, or Corporal Gray, of this reservation, will not be able to get in the squeeze.

Death, the white-robed messenger, has again invaded the ranks of the toilers in our great workshop and removed an aged and worthy employee, Mr. James H. Brady, of the Folding Room. Mr. Brady, late of Shelbyville, Ind., is survived by a widow and daughter, Miss Ora. A., private secretary and stenographer to the Chief Clerk. The many friends extend deep sympathy to the surviving wife and daughter in their bereavement.

Among those returning home to participate in last Tuesday's election were: T. E. McCardell, Hagerstown, Md.; Chairman Templar, Shiremanstown (on the back road going towards the setting sun), Cumberland County, Pa.; Col. E. H. Thomas, "brainery expert," to Mechanicsburg, nine miles behind Harrisburg, Pa.; C. E. Slentz to the capital of the Keystone State; L. H. Patterson to the "home-going" capital; Messrs. E. M. Wheat, and Nels. P. Moyer to Lebanon, of——; and the two Carlisle Indian braves—"Foreman Bentz and apprentice Leeds, of forty years ago," to the "garden spot."

The daily convocation of the seven (and more) wise men around the First Division lunch table will not be interrupted by the augmented number from the floor below. How about noonday prayer meetings in lieu of the usual noonday controversies? What say you friends? We have an excellent representative of the ministerial profession in the personage of Brother Steele. Did you ever sit beneath the benign influence of one of his masterly and all-powerful sermons? You should have attended Friend Beatty's church over in Georgetown last Sabbath morning and evening and confirm what we say.

During the week the re-arrangement of this room was perfected, looking to the accommodation of some of the compositors who will be obliged to vacate the fifth floor, consequent upon the introduction of the much-discussed "Lanston" machine. Two frames additional have been placed at the end of each alley from 1 to 13. Alley 14 up in the supply-end will accommodate 15 compositors; the "bill-end," on G street, remains intact until we reach alley 25, which has ten frames. Passing beyond the elevator we find alley 26 has superior accommodations, including light and heat for 14 compositors. Alley 27, the last on the schedule, has the six stars of Jake Lesher's "bunch." There are 16 members in Dick Richard's "supply-end," slugs ranging from 211 to 226.

ROUGH WRITER.

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Second Division.

Chairman McCardell was sick Tuesday.

Colonel Bill Bailey went to New York to vote.

S. M. Simpson went to Brooklyn to cast his ballot.

Fletcher Bowden went to Mississippi to vote. Billy Glenn went to Pittsburg for the same purpose.

Lambert Boyd, formerly a compositor, but now a clerk in the Interior Department, called on his friends in the room Wednesday last. He wears a wholehearted smile that won't come off.

An order has been issued prohibiting the use of departmental telephones by employees except on official business.

Any erroneous statements in this column will be cheerfully corrected when requested in a gentlemanly manner.

I have been informed that the Government Printing Office style-book is in use in the public schools of this city.

A straw vote taken in one alley gave Hearst 6 votes for, and 1 against. The dissentient voter then made it unanimous.

Silas Phelps, M. M. Mitchell, and F. T. Razey, with others, have been absent, some to vote, and some "on leave."

C. W. Sower has been troubled somewhat lately with rheumatism, necesitating a rest of a day or two to enable him to recover.

The temporary men furloughed from this Division Saturday of last week were Compositors Bane, Yates, Smith, Esmay, Race, and Whitman.

"Maud S." (Sutton) cannot resist the attractions of the checker games at noon time, and comes in regularly. We are glad to see him and his cheerful smile at any time.

Here's another Tagalog law-breaker: Pinalalagaylagay (the soldiers are leaving the town). It has a suspicious resemblance to Spess language. Mac nearly fell off his stool when he set it.

On Monday, Arthur Brown and J. B. Trudgian were detailed temporarily to the Patent Specification Division, and Compositors Davis, Lavalette, and Galvin to the correcting force of the *Patent Gazette*.

Allen, of the Aldines, was still in the lead, at last report, in the Bowling League games, with O'Connell second, and Beddow fourth. As they are members of the Second, we take pardonable pride in their achievements.

It happens occasionally that some recalcitrant gentleman objects to having his name appear in print. As a consequence the correspondent has to stand for a verbal dressing down. Not being gifted with mind-reading attributes, it is not easy to determine when to relegate a newsy item to innocuous desuetude lest wrath be aroused and a doughty gent take the war path in pursuance of gore and figurative scalps.

Mr. Tuite, who is a lover of books, possesses a curiosity. It is a history of the Turks printed 220 years ago in England when Charles the Second was monarch. It is bound in horse-hide, nearly an inch thick. Common nouns are capitalized, commas appear at the end of lines, and letter m's are occasionally laid flatwise. He was offered $300 for the volume by the Library Commission of Detroit, Mich., but declined to take it.

A friend of Colonel Semmes, Mr. Gillis, called on him Tuesday. The gentleman was at one time publisher of the *State Journal* at Alexandria. He has also held a position in this office, and now, I think, is proofreader on the New York *Times*. The Colonel says Mr. Gillis once offered him a five dollar hat if he could set an editorial of his partner, Mr. Whittlesey, which was very illegible, without an error. When the proof was brought and no error discovered, Mr. Gillis was amazed, and promptly bought the hat.

We are now, or shall be in another week, merged (not Merg-ed), as it were. That is, the Second and the Third Divisions are to amicably occupy the same room. Charlie Young, as master of ceremonies, appeared on the scene Wednesday of last week and forthwith there commenced a scene of dire confusion. There were shouts and tugging of banks, this way, that way, any old way. By Saturday evening, thanks to the good generalship of the genial Charlie and Mr. Heslet, assistant foreman of the Second, in charge during the absence of Mr. Shanks, order began to reign. A long double line of banks ranged like soldiers down the middle of the room. Little Mac, the rule-man, was duly deposited opposite the "cage," and finally, the order was given: "Everybody shift!" and shift they did from left to right, to give way to the incoming Third in charge of Mr. Lawson. After the two forces are duly domiciled, the next question will be: "How about the wash-room?"

HOMME VRAI.

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The Wrong Man.

The late Bishop Thomas L. Clark, of Rhode Island, was at a lecture in Boston one evening, when he saw, two seats ahead of him, a man whom he took to be an acquaintance. Seeing no other way to attract his attention, the bishop asked a stranger sitting next to him to punch the other man with his umbrella. This was done, and as the disturbed man began to turn his head, the bishop saw that he was not the person he supposed. The bishop immediately lost all interest in him, and fastened his gaze intently on the lecturer, leaving the man with the umbrella to settle with the man he had disturbed—an embarrassing and difficult task. At last the man with the umbrella turned rather indignantly to the bishop. "Didn't you tell me to punch that person with my umbrella?" "Yes." "And what did you want?" "I wanted to see whether you would punch him or not," was the reply.—*Ex.*

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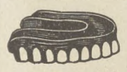

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Structural Building Trades Alliance of America, Washington Branch, meets every Tuesday at 8 p. m. Hall No. 3, Costello's Hall, Sixth and G streets northwest. John Pilard, President; James S. O'Hagan, Secretary, 507 S street northwest.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 333 I street s w.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

Bricklayers, No. 1, meets second and fourth Thursdays in each month at Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. Milford Spohn, Secretary, 1238 Eighth street northwest

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Joseph Hutton, Chairman, 809 F street southwest; H Burns, Secretary, 1960 Second street northwest; Wm Cronin, 1415 Thirty-sixth street northwest; Timothy Costello, 37 K street northwest; James French, 614 K street southeast.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5, meets every Friday night at 7.30, in Hall 1, Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. George W. Nyman, Secretary, 1253 Eighth street northwest.

Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

Electrotype Molders and Finishers, No. 17, I. S. and E. U. Meets Wonn's Hall, 721 Sixth street northwest, the first Thursday of each month. H. C. Poppe, Secretary-Treasurer.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, Amalgamated, No. 148, meets second and fourth Wednesdays at 922 Pennsylvania avenue n. w. Martin Hellmuth, Secretary, 609 D street southwest.

Plate Printers Union, No. 2, meets on second Sunday in each month at 2.30 p. m., at Typographical Temple, 425 G street northwest. J. Edward Beach, President; J. C. Staats, Secretary, Kensington, Md.

Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Union, No. 11773, meets second Tuesday in each month at 7.30 p. m., Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. Frank F Hartwell, Secretary, 810 Twentieth street northwest

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, First Branch, meets every alternate Monday evening at 610 G street northwest, Building Trades Hall. President, R. R. Rhodes. Financial and Recording Secretary, Fred Hook, 1034 Sixth street northeast. Business Agent, W. F. Gilmore, 624 Sixth street northwest.

Tile Setters Helpers, Local No. 12, meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month in Room No. 3, Building Trades Halls, 624 Sixth street northwest. J. Pettis, Recording Secretary, 3409 N street northwest.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Sixth Division.

In other words, do past events cast their shadows.

C. C. Barnes, of the *Record* Proof Room, deposited his ballot on Tuesday at Westerville, Ohio.

Imposer Charles Slentz, of this Division, was in dear old Harrisburg, Pa., Tuesday for the purpose of voting.

Never mind, dear Spess correspondent about the slate-makers. The real big chief of a tribe is the slate breaker.

The Sixth Division now numbers ninety—a gain of twelve over the standing before the recent wholesale transfer.

Gene Smith is back again in this Division from the Proof Room, his arm having sufficiently recovered to allow him to work at the case.

R. H. Clouser, machine helper of this Division, is absent. Bob went to the old Keystone State to enjoy that great American privilege of voting.

Chairman George Hayden remained in Alexandria (there's only one) Tuesday, where he completed the work of the recent Virginia primaries.

Word from Percy Reid, machine helper, has been received by friends in this Division to the effect that he is enjoying himself on a hunting expedition up in Canada.

There was only one lonely vote in the Sixth Division against the 50-cent assessment. But that is not surprising. Among Christ's twelve disciples there was one black sheep.

Somewhere up in the Cumberland mountains Bert V. Wolfe, of this Division, is at this writing enjoying himself in the hunting of quail, having departed on a hunting trip last Sunday.

One of the largest men who has so far tackled the Merg. in the G. P. O. is E. A. Hutchison, late of the Spess. When "Hutch" sits at the machine it takes a good eye to tell which is the bigger.

Foreman J. R. Berg returned to work last Friday morning. Mr. Berg has been absent since the installation of the present force, and expressed surprise at the progress made by some of the new beginners.

It will not be surprising if Maker-up Jerome Kendall gets a little stuck up now and then. During the days when Timekeeper Edward Moores is absent Mr. Kendall is pressed into service in that capacity, which means also the pasting of dupes.

Papers received in Washington last week from Missouri contain the picture of an Empire machine which W. J. Dow, recently assistant foreman of the *Record*, has placed on his newspaper in Missouri. By the way it is reported that Mr. Dow is now publishing three papers in Southwestern Missouri.

By the recent transfer of E. E. Richards from the Second to Merg. 20 in this Division, one of the best amateur photographers in the District becomes a member of the Sixth Division chapel. Mr. Richards has made some clever pictures of both city and office scenes and has taken several prizes for his work at camera exhibits.

H. S. Gunn, bankman in the First Division, has recently received a neatly printed greeting from the Pohle Printing Company, of Detroit, Mich. The concern is a recently organized affair with Mr. Richard Pohl, as manager, while the mechanical end is looked after by Messrs. H. E. Van Doren and A. L. Bowen, the latter well known as a recent G. P. O. employe.

Philip Steele, chairman of the Memorial Committee, tells me that arrangements are about completed for the services which will be held the first Sunday next month. Mr. Steele and his committee have labored hard to make the coming service of an exceptionally interesting nature. Mr. Henry Weber, leader of the Rebew Orchestra, has tendered the services of his organization for that day, which means that the orchestral part of the program will be of the highest order. Chas. H. Ennis, the well-known lawyer-proof-reader, has been selected to make the address. As an orator Mr. Ennis has been heard to advantage many times on the floor of the union, but on this occasion the opportunity will be presented for a more extended talk than has been the impromptu affairs in union meetings. Aside from these two features a number of talented singers will make their initial appearance before a printer audience. I predict an exceptionally fine program and a very large attendance for that day.

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Passing down F street the other day I stopped at a well-known tailoring establishment and began to look over the patterns on display. A blonde young man approached me and suggested that he be allowed to take my measure for a suit.

"What's a suit of this worth?" I queried, as I fondled a choice checked fabric.

"Make that up for you for $25," he replied. "Ain't another tailor in town that could duplicate it under $35."

"That's alright," said I. "It looks good."

"You'll be pleased with it," said he. "Step right back and I'll have you measured."

"But," said I, "before you measure me will you guarantee to put the Tailors Union Label on my inside pocket?"

Then the young man with blonde hair looked at me, asked me if I had lived in Washington long, and told me that no such an organization existed in the District as a Tailors Union.

"I'll bet you a five spot," said I, "it does exist, and that there is a straight-out union shop within three blocks of your place of business."

With that the blonde young man give me a sort of a frigid injunction look, departed for the rear of the store and left me standing alone.

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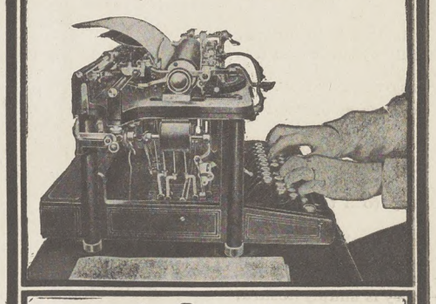

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday by Secretary Winslow.

In the absence of President McCarthy and Vice President Sprague, Delegate Roberts was selected to preside for the evening.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Grievance Committee made a partial report on Horseshoers and Retail Clerks grievances.

CREDENTIALS.

Interior Marble and Slate Cutters, No. 5: F. Nelson, J. Garvey, and D. Hartnet.

Steam Engineers, No. 99: Charles C. Collan, vice L. W. Locke, resigned.

COMMUNICATIONS

From Journeymen Plumbers Union, No. 5, requesting that Harry Wardman, contractor, be placed on unfair list. Referred to Grievance Committee.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Amalgamated Carpenters, Branch 1: Delegate Adams stated that they had been unable to get a conference with W. E. Shaw, manager of Glen Echo. The Contract Committee stated that they had been refused an interview with Mr. Shaw. A motion was made that the Secretary be directed to write Mr. Shaw and request a meeting with the Contract Committee. Carried. A motion to reconsider prevailed and the Secretary was directed to request Mr. Shaw to employ union labor.

Carpet Mechanics: Delegate asked if the firm of Saks & Co., of New York, and Straus Bros., of Baltimore, were union houses. The chair was not sufficiently advised to answer the question, and the Secretary was instructed to correspond with the International Secretary of Garment Workers and request that he furnish the information.

A delegate from Railway Express Messengers, Division No. 14, were, at this point in the proceedings, granted the privilege of the floor, and made a statement relative to their organization.

Horseshoers: Desired to thank the Central Labor Union, the Grievance Committee of that body, the Bakers Union, and the Plate Printers, for the good work done by them in behalf of Horseshoers Union. They also stated that they would give a concert and ball on December 7, at Odd Fellows Hall, for the benefit of their members who have been on strike. On motion, the Central Labor Union purchased $10 worth of tickets and returned same to Horseshoers Union.

Retail Clerks: Thanked the Grievance Committee for securing contract with C. Auerbach & Son. They also called attention to Dave Wolf being on the unfair list.

Grocery Clerks: That they had, with the aid of the special committee, secured several signers to their agreement.

Stationary Firemen: Requested that an arbitrator be named on the part of the Central Labor Union in the Heurich Brewing Co. case. The request was granted and Delegate Houchins, of Engineers Union No. 99, was appointed. They also presented a blank form of contract, which was indorsed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Entertainment Committee reported that they had secured talent for the entertainment to be given in Typographical Temple on December 11. The committee were instructed to invite all members of organized labor to attend.

The Secretary was directed to wire congratulations to the American Federation of Labor on its twenty-fifth anniversary.

Adjourned.

Prompt Remittance.

The widow of the late David Moran, who was an employee of the Government Printing Office, and a member of Pressmen Council, National Union, has received $2,000 in payment of a policy held by the late Mr. Moran in that organization.

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If we, forsooth, might simply touch the shrine
Where this sad worshipper of beauty knelt.

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But, ah, we find upon thy saintly scroll
Tear-stains of manly tenderness. Thou art
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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

J. J. Porter, of East Shop, who has been seriously ill with appendicitis, has recovered and is again at work.

Commander A. A. Ackerman has been elected by the Commandant to act as inspector of ordnance. He is well qualified to fill this position, being a man of exceptional mechanical qualifications and good judgment.

Col. John W. Bradbury, one of the oldest employees of the Yard, who has been absent for several weeks on account of illness, has recovered, and is again on duty. The boys gave him a rousing welcome when he reported for work.

Alexander Lyons, a boilermaker in the Yard, was buried last Tuesday. Mr. Lyons was seventy-five years of age, and worked to the day of his death, which came suddenly after his day's work was done. He had been employed in the Yard for a half century, and was a man who was much respected by all who know him.

It is with sincere regret that I announce the illness of my esteemed colleague, A. F. Bloomer. Without Flotsam and Jetsam THE TRADES UNIONIST is like a ship without a rudder, a doctor without a patient, and lawyer without a client. All the other scribes might drop out for a time and not be missed, but not so with my friend Pard. May he soon be restored to his usual health and to his host of friends.

Captain Reggie Persing, of East Gun Carriage Shop, who has been absent for several days, showed up on Saturday last. He looked like he had been through a threshing machine. He claims that while hunting in Southern Maryland he was attacked by a wild cat, but one who knows says the Captain was doing a little electioneering against the amendment and incidentally ran against a Charles County Democrat's knockers.

Captain Leutze has started a crusade against the money lenders in the Yard. Several are now enjoying six days leave without pay, at the suggestion of the Captain. There is not a Department under the Government that does not have its Shylocks, notwithstanding the fact that the heads of the several Departments are endeavoring to break up this practice. It will still flourish just as long as the Government exists, for the reason that as soon as the employees are prohibited from loaning to each other, the outside Shylocks will take possession and the game will still go on. It is this pressure that has started an active crusade against one employee loaning to another, simply because it interferes with their business. As I have nothing to loan, and have no occasion to borrow I am not interested enough to offer any remedy, except to say to the boys in the Yard that Captain Leutze is after you and the trail is hot.

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After three months of waiting we are happy to relieve the anxiety of the members of Columbia Lodge of Machinists, by stating that the official count shows the following officers were elected by the last referendum:

International President, James O'Connell; First Vice-President, Peter J. Conlon; Second Vice-President, A. H. Champion; Third Vice-President, John D. Buckalew; Fourth Vice-President, Thomas Wilson; Fifth Vice-President, no election; Sixth Vice-President, no election; Seventh Vice-President, Walter Ames; General Secretary-Treasurer, George Preston; Editor of *Journal*, D. D. Wilson, General Executive Board, Hugh Doran; Delegate to American Federation of Labor, A. E. Ireland.

A second referendum vote will be necessary to elect two more vice-presidents, four more members of the Executive Board, and three more delegates to the A. F. of L.

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The hypocrasy of the politicians before an election, and indeed after it, reminds me of a rat story.

"My dear children," said an old rat to his young ones, "the infirmities of age are pressing so heavily upon me that I have determined to dedicate the short remainder of my days to mortification and penance in a narrow and lonely hole, which I have lately discovered. But let me not interfere with your enjoyment. Youth is the season for pleasure, be happy, therefore, and only obey my last instructions—never to come near me in my retreat. God bless you all."

Deeply affected, sniveling audibly, and wiping his paternal eyes with his tail, he withdrew, and was seen no more for several days, when his youngest daughter, moved rather by filial affection than by that curiosity which is attributed to the sex, stole to his cell of mortification, which turned out to be a hole made by his own teeth in an enormous cheese.

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SUNBEAMS.

Universal justice is humanity's shield.

Custom is the plague of wise men and the idol of fools.

They who follow not virtue in youth cannot fly sin in old age.

Consider well who you are, what you do, whence you come, and whither you go.

There is in the world too much morality disguised under would-be religious sanctity.

Grace, beauty, and sunshine, preeminent satellites in the moral world, may they be the rubies worn by us all.

If one would follow in reality how much of joyousness and life-inspiring bliss there is in assisting the needy, let him practice the deed.

What is the use of a man's perplexing himself about the accumulation of riches more than his daily wants moderately require; knows he not that he must depart and leave all?

Good deeds pay themselves; Vice pays itself; Want and Wretchedness, twin brothers, receive their merited deserts; Pride, the inflated imagination of vain minds, receives too his hollow applause; Eternal Friendship alone is pure.

TIM TICKLE.

Personal Mention.

Mrs. Helen Nelson-Doocy, reporter, and Washington correspondent, and wife of James W. Doocy, of the Fifth Division, Government Printing Office, has been issued by the Library of Congress, two copyrights for musical compositions the past week. One is a classical composition, and the other a standard composition. They will be published by C. Ditson & Co., music publishers, of New York.

G. P. O. BOWLING LEAGUE.

The race in this League is the most interesting of any in the District and the contests are watched with great eagerness on the part of the supporters of each team. At the present time there are three teams tied for first place. The Reserves, by winning two out of three during the week from the Aldines, still retain first place. The Index during the week took two games from the Commercials and three straight from Cow Boys, and are now tied with the leaders. The Foundry, which was tied last week for first place by winning two from the Moroccos, still remain in in the same position. The Aldines lead in total number of pins, closely pressed by the Reserves, while the Index, by consistent rolling, is third. The Pressmen are still in last place, but gained on the Cow Boys during the week by winning two from them. The standing of the teams follows:

	W.	L.	T.P.	Av.P.	P.ct.
Reserves	18	12	24,250	808-10	.600
Index	18	12	24,074	802-14	.600
Foundry	18	12	23,673	789-3	.600
Aldines	16	14	24,293	809-23	.553
Moroccos	15	15	23,528	784-8	.500
Commercials	14	16	23,625	787-15	.466
Cow-Boys	12	18	23,456	781-26	.400
Pressmen	10	20	22,194	739-24	.333

In individual average McCarthy has dropped from first place to third during the week, while Allen, by not rolling, did not change his average and is in first place. Fitzwilliam is second and has the record at the present time for the high set, with an average of 209.1. Walsh is fourth, while Brown and Long are fifth and sixth, respectively. The individual averages are as follows, up to and including all games rolled until last Friday:

Name.	G.	T. P.	H.S.	Av.
Allen	27	4857	615	179.24
Fitzwilliam	21	3722	627	177.5
McCarthy	30	5243	562	174.23
Walsh	30	5164	545	172.4
Brown	30	5136	579	171.6
Long	18	3079	556	171.1
O'Connell	26	4394	604	169
Atkins	24	4055	554	168.21
Glade	21	3539	551	168.11
Carey	30	5034	553	167.20
Atkinson	21	3510	564	167.3
Richards	25	4152	535	166.2
Crass	30	4976	574	165.26
Addison	30	4955	548	165.5
Powers	27	4458	557	165.3
Clark	30	4895	566	163.5
Murray	12	1948	529	162 4
Dwyer	27	4367	539	161.20
Dohoney	21	3399	556	161.18
Williams (Com.)	27	4363	543	161.16
McFadyen	23	3717	556	161.14
Conroy	30	4815	514	160.15
Niehus	27	4331	543	160.11
Bunker	17	2720	512	160
Beddow	16	2546	507	159.2
Spaeth	15	2377	565	158.7
Duffy	3	475	475	158.1
Norbeck	28	4417	523	157.21
Herbeck	23	3615	527	157.4
McAloon	22	3447	503	156.15
Lednum	27	4218	580	156.6
Hoiby	30	4684	541	156.4
Childress	24	3745	508	156.1
Hope	21	3266	503	155.11
Holt	18	2793	553	155.3
Laframboise	23	3566	536	155.1
Deakins	2	310	...	155
Shawen	21	3148	541	154.14
Crump	17	2614	500	153.13
Schinnerer	14	2278	485	151.13
Nachman	9	1366	525	151.7
Textor	9	1359	481	151
Wuesthoff	21	3141	550	149.12
Spence	15	2244	518	149.9
Wolf	12	1779	477	148.3
Hoffman	12	1775	504	147.11
Bellinger	6	884	475	147.2
Schulze	15	2206	502	147.1
Beckert	9	1321	485	146.7
McDonough	6	878	460	146.2
Zook	6	878	446	146.2
Markham	5	730	475	146
Herbert	6	873	459	145.3
Briggs	6	870	455	145
Johnson	12	1725	459	143.9
Sturm	3	430	430	143.1
Arnold	9	1286	468	148.8
Splann	6	857	452	142.5
Sherman	9	1289	465	143.2
Nevils	11	1548	475	140.8
Mohler	3	415	415	138.1
Wear	3	414	414	138
Anderson	3	412	412	137.1
Heisler	1	137	...	137
Peed	2	277	...	135.2
Rowan	3	404	404	134.2
Burkhardt	17	2255	432	132.11
Hess	3	396	396	132
Webb	17	2216	446	130.6
Denison	2	260	...	130
Baxter	3	379	379	126.1
Kukart	7	882	397	126
Taylor	11	1346	425	122.4
Van Overmann	2	244	..	122
Saltzman	3	361	361	120.1
Sample	3	352	352	117.1
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Solomon	1	114	...	114
Williams (Pressmen)	3	339	339	113
Herrmann	1	112	...	112
Buckingham	2	219	...	109.1
Chamberlain	3	319	319	106.1
Christian	1	100	...	100

Good News From Philadelphia.

J. L. Rodier, special organizer for Philadelphia Typographical Union, is in the city to-day. He reports that negotiations are under way for a settlement of the *Inquirer* matter. He also reports that the eight-hour demand in book and job offices is progressing favorably. One J. Kelly Seagraves he says is looking up "rats" for Lippincott.

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A. F. OF L. CONVENTION.

Twenty-fifth Annual Convention in Session at Pittsburg.

The annual address of President Gompers to the Federation of Labor, aside from its characteristic directness and vigor, is of interest as dealing with a number of topics of exceptional public importance.

He calls attention to the keen opposition with which organized labor is confronted, materialized in a number of so-called employers' associations and citizens' alliances. In which connection he truthfully remarks that:

> We should all devote ourselves more thoroughly than ever before to organizing the yet unorganized workers, and endeavor to bring them within the beneficent fold of union labor and organized effort.

His remarks regarding the conservative power of labor unions in the industrial world are philosophic in scope; and, in keeping with his well known views, he refers forcibly to the socialistic labor movement, which he asserts in trying to undermine trade unionism.

The importance of the contest of the International Typographical Union's contest to establish the eight-hour workday is fittingly recognized in a strong statement winding up in these words:

> The printers have already gained the day; they can and must be crowned with absolute victory, and it becomes our solemn and binding duty to help them achieve it.

Regarding Chinese exclusion, Mr. Gompers is emphatic in his contention that the laws as they stand should continue to apply not simply to the "mainland," but to all the outlying dependencies of the United States.

With reference to the construction of the Panama Canal it is insisted that, not only in the matter of administrative control and general design, but like wise in the application of specific labor laws, it should be thoroughly American. As having especial interest from the trade union point of view, we quote the following passages from this portion of the address:

> Investigations have been made by government commissions, aided by representative trade unionists, and it has been clearly demonstrated that before it will be possible for the actual construction work to begin conditions more nearly conforming to civilized and healthful life must be inaugurated; that it then only will be at all practical or humane to ask, much less obtain, workmen to go there.
>
> Through labor's efforts the decision has been reached that the federal eight-hour law applies to, and will be enforced upon, the work of building the canal. Some carping critics, wholly misconceiving the climatic conditions, have complained that the eight-hour law's application will prove detrimental. Certainly if an eight-hour workday is deemed wise and economic, and all real students and practical observers are agreed that this is so, in a temperate climate, it must inevitably follow that longer hours of labor than eight in the torrid zone of Panama must be unwise, uneconomic and inhuman, unless there be a total disregard of the health and lives of the workmen who may be employed in the construction of this great inter-oceanic canal.
>
> Then, again, there are some who would have our government placed in the questionable and inconsistent position of regarding the canal and the canal zone as American territory, to which all other American law applies, and yet would hold that our American Chinese exclusion law does not apply. We insist that the Panama canal and its zone cannot be regarded as American in one particular and non-American in another. We are just as intensely interested as any others can be in the necessity for and the advantages that will result from the construction of the Panama canal, but we equally insist that it shall be the result of American enterprise, American genius and American labor."

Columbia Typographical Union.

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Despite adverse circumstances, the Second Division pulled off a neat little affair Saturday night. Mr. Schooler toasted the absent brother, Mr. Glenn acted in the dual capacity of chorus leader and toastmaster, and each one and all contributed to the levity of the occasion.

TRADES UNIONIST correspondents have been remiss in their duties. They neglected to mention, among other items, the detail of Mr. Otis to the Interior Department; the departure of Messrs. Vaughan and Weston for the Bureau of Commerce and Labor; the books of Almas Temple and Mitras Lodge, the product of the Wilkins Company; the framed resolutions of the Fourth Division Chapel on Foreman Roberts attaining his fiftieth birthday; the return of Mr. Alvord; the resignation of Mr. Lillard; and I might continue at length.

H. S. SUTTON.

Personal Mention.

W. E. Kennedy, of Local No. 26, I. B. E. W., is at Pittsburg attending the convention of the American Federation of Labor, serving as a delegate from International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

William S. Wier, of Atlanta, Ga., representing the Georgia State Federation of Labor at the A. F. of L. convention at Pittsburg, spent Sunday in this city. Mr. Wier is connected with *The Journal of Labor*, of Atlanta, and is a worker in the cause of labor in the South.

W. S. Waudby, of the Department of Labor, made a flying visit to Washington last week. Mr. Waudby is an old Washingtonian, having worked twenty years ago as a printer in the G. P. O., and is one of the few whose early ideas of trades unionism does not seem to have left him as he takes on years. Mr. Waudby was organized labor's candidate for Commissioner of Labor to succeed Carroll D. Wright.

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The following officers and clerks connected with the American Federation of Labor headquarters, are in Pittsburg attending the twenty-fifth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor:

President, Samuel Gompers.

Secretary, Frank Morrison.

D. F. Manning, representing Retail Clerks International Protective Association.

Joseph T. Sherier, representing Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Association, of this city.

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Scullin and Industrial Peace.

So we are to have an Industrial Peace Society in this city. A recent gathering of representative citizens decided to form such a society, and plans for a permanent organization was discussed. All the speakers, and there were several, wanted it distinctly understood that they were in sympathy with and in fact approved of labor unions, admitting that unions were absolutely necessary under our present industrial system, but the third party—the public—had a right to organize also. When they "organize" the public up to trade union principles there will be little left for unions to do in that line. Of course, the organized public will then refuse to patronize an unfair store; will refuse to be shaved in a scab barber shop; will boycott scab cigars and buy only union label clothes. It is a big undertaking and when it is accomplished we will all rejoice.

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REAL prosperity has never existed in any land where a long workday has been the rule.

IT LOOKS as though the printers will not have to go the limit to win the eight-hour workday.

THERE is some likelihood that the 1908 Presidential bee will enjoy a record breaking jag.

IT IS to be hoped the Russian government will get in working order before it reaches its WITTE'S end.

MR. HEARST seems determined to prove that the Tiger's stripes are as yellow as he has painted them.

THE JAPS will establish a protectorate over Korea, which means her obliteration, the not uncommon fate of the innocent bystander.

IT IS in accordance with the eternal fitness of things that Governor DOUGLAS should relinquish the gubernatorial shoes in good condition.

CHAIRMAN SHONTS wants to let down the bars to cheap labor on the Isthmus of Panama. If he has his way the coolie will follow the flag.

THE political bosses are not very devout Christians as a rule, notwithstanding which they have borne a good many double crosses recently.

IT doesn't seem to be exactly certain whether Governor HERRICK of Ohio wants to pour oil on the troubled waters or on the smouldering embers.

GROVER CLEVELAND went hunting the other day. But he only bagged small game and made no attempt to bring down any standpat bobcats or rebate lions.

IF THE short workday increases the number of prosperous consumers, we fail to see where there can be any material loss to the producer resulting therefrom.

OPEN shop writers are much given to citing the law of demand and supply in opposition to organized labor. And yet the material welfare of modern civilization has been brought about through more or less judicious modifications of that much misunderstood law.

The New Public Printer.

An article in Tuesday's *Post* on the possibility of opposition on the part of the printing trades to the confirmation of the new Public Printer was considered unfortunate and untimely by the majority of the trades represented.

The president of Columbia Typographical Union promptly stated the position of his Union in the matter and subsequently the *Post* published a statement from Mr. STILLINGS, in which he says:

> The duties of my new position do not bring me in contact with unions; but I am not an open shop fanatic. I never have been. The fact that a man belongs to a union is nothing against him; nor will the fact that he is a non-unionist be a guarantee that he will be considered favorably. The merits of the man, so far as his character and ability are concerned, is the only consideration with me.

This statement is a fair one, and will go far toward making the way smooth, both for the organizations interested in the office and the new Public Printer.

The unions control the skilled trades and in seeking employment under the Government all that they ask is that their members be given an opportunity to demonstrate fitness and competency for a position.

What Shonts Wants.

Chairman Theodore P. Shonts, of the Isthmian Canal Commission, has placed himself on record as opposed to the applications of laws regulating the employment of labor to the construction of the Panama Canal. Before the American Hardware Manufacturers' Association, which met in this city last week, the distinguished expert in question said:

> In my opinion, it is a mistake to handicap the construction of the Panama Canal by any laws save those of police and sanitation. I want to go on record here that the application of the eight-hour law, of the contract labor law, of the Chinese exclusion act, or of any other law passed, or to be passed by Congress for the benefit of American labor at home, to labor on the Isthmus, is a serious error. Over 80 per cent of the employes of the canal will be aliens. A majority of the other 20 per cent employed will be in a clerical or supervisory capacity. The application of these laws on the Isthmus will benefit a very small number of American laborers, but will enormously add to the cost of construction, and American labor at home will have to pay its share of the consequent increase in taxation. As business men, you will understand the force of the statement.

The attitude of Chairman Shonts is quite natural in one holding his position. At the same time we think his statement too sweeping. He is but a specialist after all, and in his desire to serve the Government efficiently and in perfect good faith and incidently make his reputation solid as a money-saver, his view of the situation is entirely too narrow.

One of the chief ends of organized labor is to meet just such situations as confront us on the Isthmus today. We believe the sentiment of virtually every laboring man in the United States is voiced in the assertion that the ordinary laborers on the Panama Canal should not be left at the more or less tender mercy of more or less humane superintendents, contractors, and petty bosses, subject only to arbitrary regulations made and provided by Chairman Shonts and his Canal Commission. We believe likewise that no great body of American citizens, workingmen or otherwise, desire to take any unfair advantage of alien labor, should the employment of such labor be necessary, simply because they will have to pay their share of "the consequent increase of taxation."

In truth the idea advanced by Chairman Shonts may be and has been advanced and elaborated with reference to great undertakings, and small undertakings as well, within what, for the sake of convenience, may be called the Constitutional portion of the United States. It has been applied to common laborers who were citizens of the United States as well as to aliens. The unsavory principle involved is always the same, namely, that the industrial hireling should work for wages as low as he can be forced to accept by the thumb-screw of necessity. Fortunately organized labor stands opposed to this principle, with its specious appeal to the self-interest of the thrifty and well-to-do, and on the Isthmus of Panama it will insist upon a "square deal" for the commonest alien who toils for the United States Government no less than for those who labor in the mines and workshop beneath the flag "at home." In defense of its fundamental principles organized labor can not do otherwise, and all good citizens, whether business men or not, "will understand the force of the statement."

ROBERTS REFLECTIONS.

There's many a sad heart behind a smiling face.

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There is vast difference between a union man and a trades unionist.

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Let the various writers on political economy advocate a universal eight-hour day. Give it a fair trial and see if it does not settle in a measure, the question, "what to do with the unemployed."

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The *Iron Age*, a publication issued in the interest of men in the iron industry, is having trouble in getting enough men to get out their publication, they having declared for the open shop. In apologizing to their subscribers for the delay in issuing (and only in half form at that) they conclude by saying:

> As we have always been a strong advocate of the open shop, and have done all in our power to assist the manufacturers to maintain the same, we would be very inconsistent if we had not refused the demand of our printers for an eight-hour day.

The *Iron Age* will find out ere long that the best way to get along with the printers is to let the manufacturers open shop policy alone and deal with their own men. I dare say that the average manufacturer cares very little whether the *Iron Age* is a union or nonunion publication. What they want is the news bearing particularly upon the iron industry of the country.

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In the local press of last Sunday appeared a half column editorial lamenting over the condition of the poor overworked Department clerk, claiming and almost demanding that the Executive order issued in January, 1904, which added a half hour to the day's work of a clerk, should be rescinded. "Why should men and women who have ability to fill these places be compelled to be taxed with additional labor, etc."

Every now and then the public press weeps, so to speak, over the overworked and under-paid Department clerks, but seldom, if ever, do they say anything about the poor under paid and hardworking mechanics employed by Uncle Sam right here in Washington. Why don't the press advocate giving the men employed in the Navy Yard an increase pay? Besides being deserving of a $4 day, such a raise would help the merchants of this city. Again, why don't they take up the cause of the hundreds of women employed in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing? Women employed in that Bureau work harder and receive less than any of Uncle Sam's employes. These employes are not asking for shorter hours, but a fair day's pay, and that is something they do not receive now. The article went on to say that Congress had never been niggardly and had repeatedly granted by legislation the request of labor' Talk about being niggardly when it comes to legislating for the mechanics. How long did it take the employes of the G. P. O. to have their wages restored to $4 per day? And how? How long have the employes in the Navy Yard (many of whom are receiving less than paid by private shops right here in Washington) been knocking at the door of Congress asking and begging for what they are justly entitled to? How long have the women in the Bureau of Printing and Engraving been asking Congress to raise their salaries to what the women in other bureaus receive for similiar work? Let the public press stop mourning over those who have never tried to help themselves and give aid and encouragement to the men and women who are not afraid to organize and stand up for their rights.

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Don't take the clerk's word for it when he tells you the article is union made; insist on the union label.

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At the age of forty a man is either a fool or a moral philosopher.

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The discharge of the twelve men who have been good and faithful employes of the Southern Express Company simply because they formed a union shows clearly the stand the big corporations have taken against labor unions. If the express teamsters were organized here like in Chicago and other places the company might be forced to reinstate the men. But in lieu of that let the city press take up the fight of these men. But will they do it? Let's see.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Echoes From The Proof Room.

Mr. John J. Pepper, the genial, able, and handsome copy collator of the Main Proof Room, is temporarily sojourning in the purlieus of the *Record* Proof Room. Mr. Pepper, who is popularly known as "Hot Stuff," is also the artistic manipulator of the copy numbering stamp, and in the performance of this duty has developed his muscle considerably—to such an extent, in fact, that at times he quite innocently disturbs people unaccustomed to sleeping near a boiler factory. Last week he started in on the job of folioing the Blue Book index cards with his usual vim and vigor. The first ten thousand cards met with good-natured toleration; the second ten thousand brought a worried look to the faces of a few whose nerves are not what they were before the appointment of a new Public Printer; the third installment had every comma chaser on the sixth floor in fear of the dippy house, and when John had pounded the folios on forty thousand cards, with several hundred thousand still in sight, he was banished to the outskirts of the *Record* Proof Room. Here, among the slam-banging of the freight elevator door, the rattling of flat-tired trucks, the swish-slamming of the linotype strippers, the pounding of the type pages on the banks, and several other nerve-racking noises (in which we might include the Lanston casters and Clair Barnes's shirts), John Pepper is now pounding away to his heart's content, unnoticed and uncussed. And yet they say a proof room ought to be a very quiet place.

Bindery Notes.

The sudden closing of all symposiums may lead to the bad.

Union working card is a very necessary traveling companion.

Joe Meehan has returned from an extended visit through Ohio.

Thos. Crowley has moved into his new home out Bennings way.

Mrs. Maggie Miller, of the stitching section, has returned to the office.

Philip Felds has gone to St. Louis on account of the death of his mother.

The Bookbinders will probably raise their monthly dues from fifty cents to one dollar.

Our genial exponent of the remark abbreviated, 'Gene Huss, is back again at work after a short illness.

B. O. Sievertson has been speculating on an extra large trunk recently. Has this anything to do with his prospective visit to Minneapolis this fall, and why?

A new twenty-four signature gathering machine has been installed in the folding room. This makes four of those labor-saving machines now in operation.

The folding room is well represented in the Bowling League. Long and Textor of the Reserves are as good as they come, while Rumhilt and Sir Louis of the Grasshoppers can't be beat.

At the Sovereign Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows meeting, recently held at Philadelphia, W. J. Hope of the Bindery was awarded the grand decoration of chivalry, the highest honor in Odd Fellowship.

One of our budding disciples of Esculapius, it is rumored, is about to divorce himself from that "$4 per diem" bond and establish himself in a profession in which he is fast succeeding. Good luck to you, Dr. Gunning.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

[A paragraph in these notes last week referred to the late Mr. Jewett, the G. P. O. painter. As the paragraph was written it needs some further explanation. "Oh, for a Jewett!" might be taken as referring to anyone of that name in the G. P. O., and as Miss Hattie Jewett, of the *Official Gazette*, is the only one at present bearing that name in the G. P. O., the sigh of our correspondent was for the Jewett of other days.—EDITOR.]

Do unto others—and he did it.

We are off—Thursday, November 16.

E. S. Wild (Little Root) is on the sick list.

When, oh when, will the temporaries be "called in."

There is but *one* Boss in the Second Division. See P.

A son of A. N. Goebel met with an accident on Saturday.

H. C. Hayne and Charles Wilhelm have returned from their leave.

Commodore Danenhower has been on the sick list during the week.

Geo. H. Alburtson has had his leave extended w. o. p. (without pay).

N J. Lillard has applied for and obtained thirty days' leave without pay.

We regret to announce that our temporary men have not yet been "called back."

Everybody was delighted to see A. L. Huss, who reported for work on Monday.

"Heidey" returned to work on Monday, after a delightful visit to New York City.

James R. Alford, having been transferred from Manila, has been assigned to this Division.

After thirty days and nights passed out in the open air, C. W. Henry took out a time-card on Monday.

B. L. Fowler and P. M. McCallum performed on the "Y" during the week. Excellent workmen.

One of our hustling compositors, A. W. Sefton, has a very sore index finger which incapacitates him from setting type.

Are you in the buckwheat trust? For further particulars inquire of any old bill hand. How about dead easy persons? Sure.

The rumor committees are working overtime. The several backcapping committees are enjoying a temporary respite from their labors.

On Friday morning Guy W. McCord, D. W. Corkins, Frank Burnside, Chas. S. Dennison, and L. J. Runyan were transferred from the Sixth.

The "Big Four" imposers—Messrs. Burnside, Garrette, McFarlane, and Dunn have the "boss" locker, nicely papered by Scotty on Monday.

The life of the symposium is drawing to a close. It is now gasping for breath after life's fitful fever. Rest well, friend of the past. *Requiescat in pace.*

Only two out on leave—B. H. Pratt, of the "Cage" staff, and James H. Brodnax. Order your venison early, Brody is going hunting in the wilds of Virginia.

As it should be. Foreman Bowen has had a new desk telephone introduced during the week. A fine instrument, of course. Official business only. Perfectly proper.

Major C. M. Robinson, of the Main Proof Room, exerted himself to make everybody feel "at home" last Friday evening on the occasion of the G. P. O Council reception.

Certainly it was a mean trick that the Wapakoneta Indian played on Brody, prior to his departure on a turkey hunt. Presented him with a neat package of table salt.

Chairman Templar made his introductory collection of the fifty cents strike assessment fund on Monday—our pay-day. Strictly a man-to-man canvas. Result, satisfactory; why not?

With two Divisions in the space heretofore occupied by one, the rush for the elevators at 12 and 4 30 will be suggestive of the historic charge at Balaklava. Remember, ah, remember, two by one.

"Billy" Lentz, a voter in Tim MacMahon's town, must be spending all his money for illustrated postal cards, judging from the avalanche that swept down upon the ring alley repairers. Oh, Donnelly, why were you hung? For nothing.

The late snowstorm in Pennsylvania has not perceptibly chilled the warm spirits of some of the voters of the Keystone State who went thither to cast their ballots. A witty representative of the Quay State insists that it was only a reform spasm.

From the Second Divison on Tuesday were transferred the following compositors: T. W. Howard, T. J. Alleger, H. A. McPike, and C. C. Semmes. Veterans in the service, and we most heartily welcome them. God bless our "grand old men."

That was certainly a measly trick perpetrated on a habitual gum-chewer the other day, who laid his quid on his slide for a few moments, when a quinine capsule was imbedded in the chewed gum. A hideous valentine was lovely compared to his face when he began to "chaw."

No better lunch, as regards quality and quantity, is served in the big building, than that spread daily in the Sixth Division by Mrs. Silvey. The service is first-class, while her trusty assistants are the busiest persons in the building during lunch-hour, serving her numerous patrons.

The "I told you so" club, of large and varied membership, has been little heard of lately, but it is expected, with the abundant available material now on hand, that some, if not many of the members, will "get busy" and so continue during the approaching session of Congress.

All who attended the entertainment of G. P. O. Council of the National Union, on the 10th inst., will unite in the verdict that a more complete, artistic, and enjoyable affair of the kind was never before seen in Washington. Perfection is one admirable, warranted term to use in describing the character of the reception. There was not a dissonant note of voice or instrument, and the guest of the Council who went away dissatisfied is a being of strange, peculiar mould.

Over in the Second Division, among the many excellent members in that Chapel, is one that we have specially in mind, highly cultured, unassuming, Christian gentleman, ever on the alert to assist and encourage the less fortunate, a kingly man, Ex-President Joseph Colton, of New Orleans Typographical Union and Worthy President of G. P. O. Council, No, 211, National Union.

As a result of the recent election over in Northumberland County, Pa., Col. Tom M. Lawler was elected Prothonotary by 1,300 majority. Salary, $2,500 per year, and a three years' term. Col. Lawler is well-known in this city, having held cases on the *Post*, and was employed in this office for a number of years, and during Public Printer Benedict's administration was elevated to a foremanship. Congratulations, old boy.

Last Saturday evening, November 11, will be long and pleasantly remembered by some of the cheery spirits in the Second Division, who assembled at 9 p. m., that date, in Yates' Cafe, and enjoyed a banquet of viands and a feast of mental food. There were reminiscences of the olden days and narratives of the newer times, anecdotes of fact and fancy, personal points that were not winged to wound or harm, and songs and exchange of repartee, that made the hours pleasantly, yet too swiftly, pass. Those who were not present were large losers. Geniality, kindness, and laughter abounded. There will be another reunion of the kind at an early date and many more thereafter.

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M. M. Peace returned from a three weeks' leave Monday.

Foreman Milo Shanks assumed the charge of his Division Wednesday.

From the Second McPike, Alleger, Semmes, and Howard were transferred to the First Division.

Tommy Dougherty, who was injured by a fall, came in Saturday and reported improvement in his condition.

W. N. Goldstein, a former printer of this Division, but now a successful salesman for a New York clothing house, came in Wednesday, on his way through the South.

The following members of the Second have been transferred to the Third Division: J. B. Trudgian, W. H. Davis, Thomas J. Galvin, W. A. Lavalette, Arthur Brown, Wm. G. O'Connell, and O. W. Humphrey.

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THE BANQUET.

On Saturday evening last a number of the printer craft assembled at the Yates Cafe, 808 Twelfth street northwest, to partake of liquids and solids, and to indulge in a feast of reason and a flow of soul. The various Divisions were represented, more especially the Second, but members from other Divisions served to enforce the principle of fraternalism, whether from the North, South, East or West.

William G. Glenn was toastmaster, and presided with that characteristic dignity and suavity of manner he displays toward all men.

T. A. Bynum indulged in a few statements of fact tending to lessen the feeling existing between the compositor and proofreader.

Wm. F. Schooler delivered an able address in which he dwelt on the hardships of the early Kentucky pioneers. He said that it was to the credit of the newspaper man that Kentucky had succeeded in building up its schools and churches.

Col. Wm. Bailey spoke in a brief and pointed manner regarding the status of the old-time printer contrasted with the present.

J. E. Colton addressed the company present in an able speech, in which he advocated fraternalism among printers.

Chairman McCardell, with the native characteristic wit of the Celtic race, replied to Colonel Bailey, and at a late hour the assemblage dispersed, having thoroughly enjoyed the spirit of the occasion.

It is the purpose of those who were present to hold similar banquets, in order to promote the social welfare of printers. Anyone wishing to join may address William G. Glenn, T. J. Arrington, or Wm. F. Schooler.

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At this writing L. D. Wheeldon, Merg. 27, is off duty on account of illness. Chas. Travis fingers the keyboard during his absence.

The regular stated meeting of the Union occurs next Sunday. Come out, everybody. If promises are kept, there will be something on the program of interest.

H. C. Town arrived from the Third Division on last Friday morning, and took possession of Merg. 3. Mr. Town was one of the members of last winter's day force.

Fred W. Moore, once of the Fourth, has been assigned to Merg. 3. Mr. Moore is the son of the well known manager of the Law Reporter Company, Mark W. Moore.

The transferring of a number of employes from this to other Divisions on last Friday morning came with some suddenness. Even the chairman of the rumor committee expressed surprise.

Gentle reader, is this thy own paper thou art reading? Nay? Then hike thee swiftly to Johnnie Stowell, of this Division, and give him thy name (together with ten cents) and become a regular subscriber.

A number of extra magazines and several fonts of black-faced matrices have been added to the equipment of this Division, which makes it probably the most complete machine composing room in the world.

The following named gentlemen have been transferred from the case to the machine: Ansley C. Martin, to Merg. 8; Bert S. Elliott, to 9; W. I. Reid to 10; Louis C. Vogt to 23; A. A. Davis to 24; and Chas. O'Connell to 33.

Mr. George Judd, of the old-time printing firm of Judd & Detweiler, was a caller at this Division last week. This firm is having installed six of the latest pattern Mergenthaler machines, and it is rumored, intend to run a night and day force.

Louria E. Smith, late of the Fourth Division, has taken up winter quarters on Merg. 7, this Division. Mr. Smith is known among his intimate friends as "Cherokee Bill," the reason for which is probably due to the fact that his home is in the Cherokee Nation.

On the 22nd of this month the Ninth Street Christian Church will give its annual turkey dinner, which means that about everything that is good to eat will be dished up for the small sum of 35c. Hubert Newsom, Merg. 5, of this Division, will supply tickets to anyone wishing the same.

Bert. S. Elliott, who was transferred from the case to the machine last week, is a musical composer whose work is rapidly winning for himself renown. Mr. Elliott has set to music a number of songs which have been pronounced by experts as gems and are being sung by well known artists in theatrical companies.

Among the talented ones of the Sixth Division the name of Bert V. Elliot is entitled to a place. Mr. Elliot is a musical composer whose productions have received the highest commendation from musical critics, and some of the songs for which he has furnished the musical air are being sung on the road in first class theatrical organizations.

Wm. H. Francis, of this Division, has in his possession a curio in the shape of a land deed with the original signature of William Penn. The copy is written with ink on sheepskin in the year 1682, and the thirty-third year of the reign of King Charles II. It is a well-preserved specimen and the beautiful pen work shows that our forefathers knew a few tricks with the quill and the ink pot.

I never knew until I read in *Truth* that my friend Harry Templar, of the First Division, was a tenor singer of note. Ofttimes on the floor at a Union meeting I have heard him speak eloquently, patriotically, pathetically, and otherwise, but until I read last week's article in the aforsaid rag I never knew that he could sing. It adds one more to my list of talented G. P. O. printers.

There is no use denying the fact the spirit of "retrenchment all along the line" is the air. The contractor for the board sidewalk which runs along the high grade from North Capitol street up Massachusetts avenue is a bird at the business. Instead of building the walk on a sand foundation, he had a large space left between the boards, piled the sand on top, and left it to the pedestrians to kick into the cracks as they walked over. Economy is the watch word now-a-days.

I met Charley Peake, of the First Division, the other day, and he unfolded to me a scheme whereby a few printers with a small amount of capital can make a barrel of money. Mr. Peake knows of a piece of land within easy walking distance of the G. P. O. which can be secured, subdivided, and resold at a handsome profit, but nobody seems to take to the scheme. In this respect I feel a good deal like my friend Peake—"a damned fool printer don't want to make money honestly no how."

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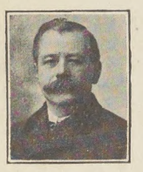

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Structural Building Trades Alliance of America, Washington Branch, meets every Tuesday at 8 p. m. Hall No. 3, Costello's Hall, Sixth and G streets northwest. John Pilard, President; James S. O'Hagan, Secretary, 507 S street northwest.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 722 Sixth street northeast.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

Bricklayers, No. 1, meets second and fourth Thursdays in each month at Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. Milford Spohn, Secretary, 1238 Eighth street northwest

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Joseph Hutton, Chairman, 809 F street southwest; H Burns, Secretary, 1960 Second street northwest; Wm Cronin, 1415 Thirty-sixth street northwest; Timothy Costello, 37 K street northwest; James French, 614 K street southeast.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5, meets every Friday night at 7.30, in Hall 1, Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. George W. Nyman, Secretary, 1253 Eighth street northwest.

Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

Electrotype Molders and Finishers, No. 17, I. S. and E. U. Meets Wonn's Hall, 721 Sixth street northwest, the first Thursday of each month. H. C. Poppe, Secretary-Treasurer.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, Amalgamated, No. 148, meets second and fourth Wednesdays at 922 Pennsylvania avenue n. w. Martin Hellmuth, Secretary, 609 D street southwest.

Plate Printers Union, No. 2, meets on second Sunday in each month at 2.30 p. m., at Typographical Temple, 425 G street northwest. J. Edward Beach, President; J. C. Staats, Secretary, Kensington, Md.

Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Union, No. 11773, meets second Tuesday in each month at 7.30 p. m., Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. Frank F. Hartwell, Secretary, 810 Twentieth street northwest.

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, First Branch, meets every alternate Monday evening at 610 G street northwest. Building Trades Hall. President, R. R. Rhodes. Financial and Recording Secretary, Fred Hook, 1034 Sixth street northeast. Business Agent, W. F. Gilmore, 624 Sixth street northwest.

Tile Setters Helpers, Local No. 12, meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month in Room No. 3, Building Trades Halls, 624 Sixth street northwest. J. Pettis, Recording Secretary, 3409 N street northwest.

Washington Feeders and Assistants No. 42, meets the first Thursday in each month at Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Miss Josephine Mulcahy, Secretary, 29 N street northwest.

Steam Fitters, L. B. No. 10, N. A., meets the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. S. D. Zea, Secretary, 2108 G street northwest.

GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Specification Notes.

There are also smiles that won't come off.

Issue of patents this week, 656; trademarks, 129; designs, 8.

A good-sized rat daily gathers up the crumbs around the lunch counters.

Miss Ethel M. Fenner, of Iowa, is the latest acquisition to the temporary force.

According to a recent decision l. c. may stand for "little caps" as well as lower case.

Twenty of the forty temporaries of this Division were furloughed for one week on Saturday last.

J. C. Gaulden recently received the sad intelligence of the death of his aged mother at her home in Louisiana.

Billy O'Brien voted in Peunsylvania, and is authority for the statement that Brumm is defeated beyond a doubt.

Miss Jennie Grace Johnson has temporary leave of absence and is now receiving treatment at a hospital in Boston.

Miss Sarah E. Stimpson, of the claims section, has been appointed copyholder to succeed Mrs. Stagge, resigned.

It is confidently expected that this Division will occupy its new quarters next week or next month or next month thereafter.

Specification work shows some strange combinations, as, for instance, John ("Jack") Frost invents a steam and hot-water heater.

The wife of H. F. Wilson, of the Proof Room, returned the 7th inst. from the Printer's Home, Colorado Springs, with health much improved.

D. J. McCarty paid his two weeks' assessment to the eight-hour fund, gathered up his fishing tackle, and promised to get out of town for a fortnight.

Earl Count Courtney, of the Bindery, the prospective candidate for President in 1908, was given an audience in the lobby about lunch hour yesterday. The Count has has some ideas which he claims are entirely his own, and it is well that they are.

Mr. Thomas, messenger to Patent Office from this Division, picked up a dollar bill while crossing Pennsylvania Avenue last Sunday morning. In the afternoon while passing along Massachusetts avenue he found a nickel and a penny; and this is no dream.

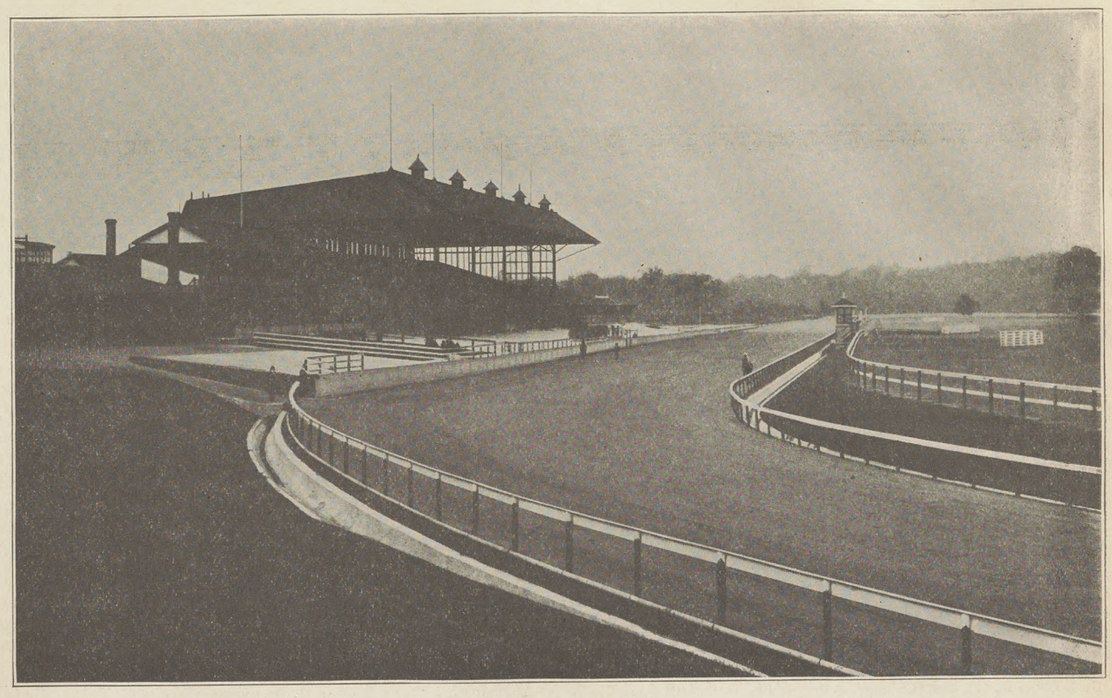
Walter C. Thornley, who back in '99 worked in the Specifications Division, and while so employed took a course in civil and construction engineering at the Columbian College (now George Washington), has met with brilliant success in his chosen profession. He has had charge of construction work in several large cities and Panama, and at present is located in Toledo. He recently declined a $15,000 position and is recognized as the leading authority of the United States in concrete work.

Charles Hartman, of the law firm of Sumner, Tucker, Mullholland, and Hartman, of Toledo, Ohio, was the guest of W. F. O'Brien, of the Document Proof Room, last week. Mr. Hartman stopped over on his return from New York where he had been on legal business for the firm. He came here from Detroit in 1896 and worked in the Specifications Division for some four years, studied law at the Columbian University, and in 1900 was discharged and immediately began the practice of law in Toledo. His firm is one of the prominent ones of Toledo, engaging largely in corporation practice. Mr. Hartman took his union card with him and he informs us that they are the legal advisers of the Central Labor Union, the International Association of Machinists, and several local labor organizations. He states that there is not a position within the gift of the Public Printer that he would accept.

Low Wages and Religion.

The Rev. Dr. S. M. Small, in an article in the *Christian Advocate*, says it is a sin to exclude the Chinese from this country, who, if given an opportunity, "would slowly come to a better life in a pure air and a free condition; and they would give in return for these benefits of a moral and spiritual character the best service at the lowest wages. Dr. Vernon talks like an enthusiast whose brain has been fired by over-indulgence in Gripe Nuts and Ghostum Coffee. He should be elected chaplain-at-large of Parry's low-wages aggregation. Their digestive organs seem pretty well suited to stand a hash of low wages and snide religion.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.



BEAUTIFUL BENNING.

The autumn race meeting at Benning opens to-day. Superintendent Strahan has the track and all appointments about it in first-class shape. The accommodating assistant secretary, S. T. Walton, reports that the best horses in the East will participate in the many events at this meeting, and a successful season of racing is assured. The standard for good, clean racing maintained in the past by the Washington Jockey Club will characterize this meeting, which will end the legitimate racing for the season in the East.

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

The regular meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday by Secretary Winslow.

In the absence of President McCarthy and Vice-President Sprague, Delegate Roberts, of Columbia Typographical Union, was chosen to preside.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Retail Clerks Union, No. 262: Chas. F. Parker, W. P. Powers, and T. J. Pollock, vice Bachrach, Ehrlich, and Shannon removed.

Electrical Workers, No. 148: W. E. Meadfourd.

Delegates present were obligated.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Columbia Typographical Union stating that the request of the Central Labor Union to place Samuel S. Gain, horseshoer, on the unfair list, had been complied with. Placed on file.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE.

The Grievance Committee made a report on the *Evening Star* controversy with Firemen Union No. 63.

Mr. Weber, from the committee, asked for the reading of a communication from Mr. Noyes, of the *Star*, in which the position of that paper was fully stated.

The communication was read and a letter from Mr. Weber, also bearing on the case.

On motion, the Central Labor Union directed its Contract Committe to insist on a written agreement between the Publishers Association and Firemen's Union No. 63.

The committee reported progress in other cases in its hands.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The special committee having in charge the matter of railway express messengers recent dismissal from employ of Southern Express Co. reported that the committee had interviewed one of the agents of the company here and that another effort to secure information would be made. On request, Delegate Lewis, of Painters Union, No. 368, and Delegate Ring, of Columbia Typographical Union, were added to the committee.

ROLL CALL.

Amalgamated Carpenters: Delegate Adams reported that their attention had been called to a member of Columbia Typographical Union employing nonunion men in remodeling a house. The matter was referred to delegates from Columbia Typographical Union.

Columbia Typographical Union No. 101: Delegate Dickman called attention to lack of knowledge of members of organized labor as to the unfair list, and moved that 2,000 copies of the list be printed for distribution. Carried.

Engineers No. 99: Delegate Snellings stated that they had succeeded in securing an eight-hour day with the Evening Star Co.

Musicians: That they would furnish such musicians as they could get to volunteer their services on the occasion of the smoker, Monday, December 11, 1905.

Plumbers: Delegate McDonald reported that Philip J. Roche, 1335 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, who conducts a saloon and bowling alleys that many newspaper printers and other craftsmen patronize, was employing nonunion plumbers and tile layers, and asked that union men refrain from patronizing that place.

Retail Clerks: Delegate Moser called attention to Dave Wolf being on the unfair list.

Retail Grocery Clerks: Delegate Pfau requested that a delegate be chosen to go with him and visit grocers in the northwest section of the city. Request granted and Delegate Feeney appointed.

Sheet Metal Workers: Delegate Considine called attention to N. S. Jenks, stove dealer, 717 Seventh street northwest, being on unfair list, and that he had been unfair to his organization for past twenty-three years.

Stationary Firemen: Delegate Bland reported that the Firemen would give an entertainment in this hall on the 28th inst.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Delegate Feeney, from the Auditing Committee, made a final report on the Labor Day outing, which shows that total receipts were $1,758.20, and expenditures $598.85, showing net receipts of $1,159 35.

On motion the report was received and the thanks of the Union extended to the Labor Day Committee for its promptness in making a report.

Adjourned.

The Voice of Peace.

Oh, man, why shouldst thou turn aside
To woo my sister War,
When I would gladly be thy bride,
Thy faithful comforter.

And is it love of fitful fame
That kindles thy desire?
Ah, she will fill thy heart with flame,
Thy veins with wasteful fire.

Those lips grow vocal with despair
By my swart sister kissed;
The masses of her tangled hair
Are dank with bloody mist.

Nor is it true that manhood springs
From battle-harrowed soil;
That honor loves to trail her wings
Where death repays thy toil.

Ah, give not heed unto the lie,
Howe'er it make thee thrill,
Though it be brave to nobly die,
It is not brave to kill.

So count of human strife the cost,
And let me sing to thee,
Till senseless pride is bravely lost
In high humility.

WILLIAM TIPTON TALBOTT.

Steam Fitters Win Out.

At the convention of the A. F. of L. at Pittsburg this week the long drawn out contest of the Steam Fitters Association for a charter was decided as far as the convention was concerned by a vote of over 2 to 1 in favor of issuing a charter to the Steam Fitters.

The settlement of this question is practically a stand for trade autonomy as opposed to industrialism, and there is no doubt that the Executive Council will issue the charter.

Hod Carriers Union.

Hod Carriers Union, No. 21, has decided to send but two delegates to the fourth annual convention of the International Hod Carriers and Building Laborers Union of America, which will be held in the Labor Temple Hall, 76 Hotel street, Utica, N. Y., beginning January 8, 1906.

The Union decided to send but two representatives, owing to the demands made on its treasury for the past two years.

The election of the two delegates will be a special order of business at the meeting on Monday, December 4, 1905, at 9 o'clock p. m. At the same time nomination of officers for the ensuing year will be made.

All members are requested to be present.

Death of Ernst Kreft.

Ernst Kreft, a printer of national reputation, died last Sunday at his home in Philadelphia, death being caused by erysipelous superinduced by an attack of grip. He was buried on Wednesday.

Mr. Kreft has been in charge of the campaign against the Philadelphia *Inquier* and the eight-hour fight in the book and job offices. He served his Union (Philadelphia Typographical Union No. 2) as president and as delegate to the I. T. U. represented Philadelphia at Detroit in 1899, at Washington in 1903, and at Toronto in 1905 He was also a delegate from the central body at Philadelphia to the Boston convention of the American Federation of Labor two years ago, and received a good vote, mostly from Socialists as a candidate for president of that body.

Complimentary.

An entertainment complimentary to children of parents of Columbia Typographical Union will be given on the afternoon of Friday, December 1, at 2 o'clock.

The entertainment will be given under the auspices of Women's Auxiliary, No. 13, and tickets may be secured from the chairmen of chapels.

As the entertainment is a complimentary one, admission can be by card only, and children under fourteen years are invited to be present.

The committee in charge have spared no time or expense to make the affair a success and only hope that their efforts will be appreciated.

A Strike 310 B. C.

While rummaging in ancient books for some special information about the Roman Republic, I happened on a passage from Livy which gives an account of the first strike recorded in history, as far as I know. The strike was engineered at Rome, 310 B. C., and the account referred to will be found in Book 9, chapt. 39. The story runs as follows:

The public pipers or flute players, a part of the religious establishment, called a strike and then left Rome and went to Tybur, a near-by town, because the censor had forbidden them to feast and carouse in the Temple of Jupiter, which had always been their prerogative. There was now nobody to furnish the music at the sacrifices and festivals. The people, with pious concern, feared that the wrath of the gods would fall upon them. The Senate sent messengers to Tybur to try to prevail on the musicians to return. The strikers held out. Then the Tyburites tried to persuade them, but with no more success. The astute citizens, however, knowing the weakness of the Roman pipers, hit on a plan. They feasted them and plied them with old wine until they were as drunk as lords. Then they bundled them into carts and sent them back to Rome. When they woke up next morning they found themselves in the forum. The people flocked around them and welcomed them with delight; for no pipers no religion. The citizens urged them to go to their usual duties. The pipers agreed to do so if their old privileges of carousing in the temple and masquerading on the streets nine days in the year were allowed them. Their demands were granted and the strikers returned to work. There is no mention made of a walking delegate, but it is gratifying to know that the first strike recorded in history resulted in a victory for the strikers. This lesson from ancient history is respectfully recommended to the Typothetæ in its bungling strike-breaking tactics.

CHAS. W. PAFFLOW.

Try oyster pan roast, 10c. Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, North North Capitol and G street.

Japanese Exclusion.

The A. F. of L. convention, in session at Pittsburg, has voted strongly in favor of restrictive measures to ward off Corean and Japanese immigration to this country. The labor press are aiding in this work.

COLUMBIA UNION MEETING.

The regular weekly meeting of Columbia Typographical Union was called to order at 2.30 p. m. on Sunday, President Berg in the chair.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved.

Traveling cards received since last meeting were read and accepted.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.

The Membership Committee reported favorably on transfer of Virginia Johnson from the passive to the active roll, and on motion it was so ordered.

A favorable report on reinstatement of Newton S. Cologne being presented, the Secretary was directed to cast the vote of the Union for his readmission.

On request of the committee, further time was granted on application of J. T. Cowen.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to cast the vote of the Union on admission of Ralph H. Prescott, G. L. Malcolm and————Hunt for apprentice membership.

Candidates in waiting were obligated.

Bills for supplies and printing amounting to $71.50 were read and ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From C. W. Dickson, president of Detroit Typographical Union, calling attention to determined stand of that body in its fight for the eight-hour day. Placed on file.

From Pressmen, Feeders', Bookbinders', and Paper Rulers' Unions of Cleveland, Ohio, regarding the attitude of those Unions on the present eight-hour movement. Referred to officers of the Union.

From *The Progressive Printer*, asking for a subscription. On motion, the Union subscribed for one copy.

From Secretary - Treasurer Bramwood, of the I. T. U., stating that the Admission Committee had reported adversely on application of W. F. Talbott for readmission to the Home.

Mr. Brockwell presented a letter from Mr. Talbott bearing on the case, and asked the union to take an appeal to the Board of Trustees of the Home. Referred to Membership Committee.

The application of Charles E. Sikkens for admission to the Home was presented, and being indorsed by the proper committee, was ordered sent to Secretary Bramwood.

A communication was read from Retail Clerks' Union, asking support in their fight against Dave Wolf, shoe dealer, 432 Seventh street northwest. Referred to Grievance Committee.

A delegation from Horseshoers' Union was given the floor and stated conditions in regard to their fight with the master horseshoers, and asked that fifty tickets be taken by the Union for an entertainment to be given for the benefit of the strikers. A motion to purchase tickets was adopted.

T. Frank Hall, from Allied Printing Trades Council, read a letter from an employing printer protesting against a refusal to issue a label to his firm. He also reported the taking of a label from another firm that did not comply with the rules governing the label. He also reported the alleged use of a label bearing the number of another printing house than the one doing the work, but that the case had not been made out.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE.

The Grievance Committee reported concurrence in Central Labor Union placing Samuel S. Gain on the unfair list.

In reference to request of Sheet Metal Workers' Union No. 102, to place W. S. Jenks on the unfair list, the committee recommend that action be deferred until official notice be received from the Central Labor Union.

The Relief Committee asked for appropriation of $100. Granted.

The Memorial Committee reported all arrangements were completed for services on December 3.

EIGHT-HOUR COMMITTEE.

T. C. Parsons, from Eight-Hour Committee, reported the conditions and progress made by the committee in securing signatures for an eight-hour day after January 1, 1906. He reported further that the Sudwarth Printing Co., *The Trades Unionist*, aud Pearson were now working eight hours, and that nearly all the independent shops had signed the agreement for an eight-hour day next January. He also stated that The National Publishing Co., a Typothetæ office, had signed the agreement.

In order to terminate a provision in the agreement between the Union and the Typothetæ of Washington, which requires thirty days notice, the committee presented the following resolutions, and asked their adoption:

In accordance with a provision in the agreement now existing between the Typothetae, of Washington, and Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, made and entered into on January 2, 1904, and effective on January 4 of said year, which requires that thirty days' notice shall be given by either party prior to January 1 of any year to effect a change in said agreement, notice is hereby given that it is the will of Columbia Union, No. 101, that on January 4, 1906, said agreement shall terminate.

Resolved, That the secretary of Columbia Union be, and he is hereby, directed to communicate with the President of the Washington Typothetæ and express the desire of the Union to arrange a meeting between a committee of the Union and a committee from the Typothetæ with the view of negotiating a new agreement.

The resolutions were adopted:

The President reported no deaths since last meeting.

The Secretary reported the result of the vote on the 50-cent assessment, as follows: For, 1,187; against, 352.

J. M. Kreiter offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

Whereas the loyalty of the members of the International Typographical Union, in the contest for the eight-hour day, is most gratifying; and

Whereas the excellent conduct of the men who are now resenting the open shop proposition and the nine-hour edict of the United Typothetae is a commendable factor in the struggle; therefore be it

Resolved, That Columbia Typographical Union, as a body, is most proud of the unswerving devotion to union principles as shown by those who have withstood the alluring promises and bribes of the Typothetae employers, and it requests its individual members to send congratulatory messages to their friends or acquaintances among those on strike, commending their loyalty to the union and urging them to continue their heroic stand against the long-hour day, open shop methods and low wages.

Mr. McCulloch, on a question of personal privilege, stated conditions in Richmond, Va.

On motion, the publication of financial condition of eight hour assessment fund was ordered discontinued.

The President, having reported action of officers in the Union in scaling amount to be paid on 50-cent assessment, the Union indorsed action of the officers

Under good of the order Sam DeNedry addressed the Union, and asked that support be given the Bakers Union in its fight against John Bender.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to write to Mr. Bender.

Adjourned.

G. P O. BINDERY NOTES.

Ed. Gunning resigned from the office last week.

Mike Harris is a frequent visitor at the new building.

From having once slept in a stable, Tasker Polk now considers himself an authority on horse raceing.

John McClane returned from Providence, R. I., where he had been attending the funeral of his mother.

The Convention Committee are meeting with great success, and the outlook for a big time at the coming convention is very good.

We have not decided yet whether we will continue our symposiums or not; the last meeting of the year, will be the first pay day in December.

Henry Hoiby and several other binders attended an oyster roast Sunday over at Baltimore. Hoiby had a very good time; the rest haven't got back.

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NOTES FROM NO. 4'S MEETING.

The regular meeting of Local Union No. 4 was marked by an unusual large attendance.

Those members who attended for the purpose of hearing President Feeney deliver his farewell address met with a surprise.

The amendment offered to raise the dues to one dollar is meeting with hearty approval.

The nomination of Joe McManus for president of Local No. 4 is certainly a compliment to Georgetown University.

From all accounts Jim Stockman appears to be the man wanted by the members of Local 4 for Recording Secretary. Frailey and Spellbring are both good fellows, but Jim has the goods most needed.

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NOMINATIONS.

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JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

Daniel McCallnan has returned to the city. During Mr. McCallnan's five years' service in the Weather Bureau in Richmond, Va., he was for four years president of the Typographical Union, and in addition president of the Central Labor Union and the Virginia State Federation of Labor.

With the occupancy by the Henry E. Wilkins Company of the building now being erected at Eleventh and E streets, this establishment will be the center of a Printing House Row of no mean proportions—Adams, Sudwarth, McGill & Wallace, Judd & Detweiler being in proximity, and the *Star*, *Post*, and the new *Times* structure not far distant.

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BEN-HUR NOTES.

Washington Court, No. 1, Tribe of Ben-Hur, will give an excellent entertainment to its members and invited friends during the latter part of December—the date has not as yet been settled on. This will be a great treat to all those who are fortunate to be present. An excellent committee has the matter in hand.

This is how quick the Ben-Hur settles a claim: At the last meeting of the Court, held on November 7, the proofs of the death of Mrs. N. H. Tutty were presented, and the Scribe, Voler V. Viles, was directed to place the seal of the Court thereon and forward to the home office. Just nine days thereafter Mr. Viles received a certified check for $1,300, and handed the same over to Bro. N. H. Tutty.

Those desiring to do so can become charter members of a new Court that will be instituted in the near future by filling out an application.

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Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

The Discharged Messengers.

The messengers recently discharged by the Southern Express Co., probably on account of being members of the Railway Expressmen Union, have failed, through a committee from the Central Labor Union, to secure a hearing with the company. An attempt will be made to take the matter up with the general manager.

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HIGH wages develop good citizenship.

IN SOME respects JAMES HAZEN HYDE seems to be a raw one.

PROSPERITY can not permanently exist where wages are low.

THE MIKADO omitted to state whether the assimilation of Korea is benevolent or otherwise.

THE "false emperor" who wants to oust the Czar is probably a believer in the strenuous life.

HENRY M. WHITNEY has discovered that the President doesn't like left-handed apologies.

The world has little use for deep thinkers whose thoughts don't glitter brightly on the surface.

THE CZAR is not certain at present whether he feels like the author of The Hague Tribunal or not.

AND freedom shrieked when the insular pride of those Isle of Pines Americans broke forth.

IT IS rumored that Chauncey Depew is writing a book entitled "How it Feels to Keep Solemn."

IT IS worthy of note that the Russian people failed to secure recognition until they adopted football tactics.

ALTHOUGH the Typothetæ believes in a long workday, it will hardly enjoy working overtime in a losing contest.

THE secret of political success sometimes consists in being able to look wise and let somebody else do your talking.

THE divine right of kings has received some hard jolts recently, and in this country the malign right of rings has been somewhat jarred.

IT IS still undecided whether the Panama Canal will be of the tidewater or the lock type. As a hot-water waterway it is already a great success.

LAST year's output of gold in the United States was $80,000,000. About $1 a piece for each man, woman, and child, which some of us probably didn't collar.

THE recent convention of the Citizen's Industrial Association left us still in doubt as to its attitude in reference to the employment of children at hard labor.

ONE of the most ridiculous sophisms of open-shop writers is their reference to the consumers as belonging to a class entirely distinct from the wage-earners.

IT IS stated that the old-fashioned brass knocker is to become a fashionable fad. In the meantime the base plebian knocker will keep up his lick as usual.

A DELEGATION of shoe and leather men called on President Roosevelt last week. They took advantage of the occasion to let him know where the tariff shoe pinches.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN'S political efforts have not been an unqualified success, but as a man of letters he has at last become distinguished at the rate of $1,000 per letter.

THE REV. WASHINGTON GLADDEN asserts that the question of tainted money has been settled to his satisfaction. Perhaps he has discovered that it is not as tainted as it has been painted.

THE Government clerks, who labor seven hours a day, think they should be allowed a shorter workday. And yet, strangely enough, some of them have no sympathy for the printers and others who are struggling to secure an eight hour stunt.

Education of the Typothetæ.

In dissolving the injunction against the striking printers of Richmond, Judge GRINNAN, in the Court of Chancery, said with reference to the chief complaint of the employers that strikers have enticed away some of the employees, though never by intimidation:

"I do not find that courts of equity enjoin such peaceful enticement, even when accompanied by money rewards."

We are glad to see the Typothetæ thus adding to its knowledge of the law as well as some other things with which it should be a little bit familiar if it is to assume a respectable position in the world of industrial thought and action.

A Striking Contrast.

The so-called Citizens' Industrial Association met the other day and, under the direction of CHARLES W. POST, its aggressive and interesting president delivered itself of the usual statement in advocacy of the open as against the union shop. Of this organization it may be said that all of its members are not selfishly narrow. Many of them are simply misled by the hypocritical claim that the union shop interferes with the liberty of the honest but weak-minded workingman, and that organized labor is tyrannical in its methods and generally speaking a menace to civilization.

It is a few utterly selfish business men of narrow intellect who strive to keep this idea alive, and the sole purpose of their organization is to secure and maintain a low wage scale. Neither directly nor indirectly does the so-called Citizens' Industrial Association stand for more than this. Nor, as a mere business proposition, can objection be made to this policy on their part, except on the ground that it is short-sighted and impractical.

The trade union itself is maintained by those who have labor to sell, with the purpose of securing as high a price for that labor as possible, just as the primary object of the so-called open-shop organizations is to cheapen labor for the supposed benefit of those who wish to buy it.

As necessary incidents of trade unionism it seeks to extend the sphere and increase the permanence of lucrative employment and is bitterly opposed to child labor, to the employment of women at starvation wages, to the sweatshop, and to all material impediments to the manly development of the toiling citizen.

In the nature of things it is impossible for the so-called Citizens' Industrial Association to make even a perfunctory plea for the hundreds of thousands of little ones whose lives are still wrecked physically and mentally in the factories of this country. The so-called Citizens' Industrial Association is very far from being opposed to an increase in the army of poorly paid working women. The so-called Citizens' Industrial Association would, if it could, return to the ten and twelve and fourteen-hour industrial day, leaving the dearly beloved workingman but a few minutes daily in which to enjoy the priceless open-shop freedom of which we hear so much. In no respect does the so-called Citizens' Industrial Association rise above the miserable level of low wages.

The contrast is indeed a striking one, and it is not easy to understand how anyone who views it from the standpoint of good citizenship can fail to side with unionism and progress as against the open shop and retrogression.

JOTTINGS BY JOHN JOTTINGER.

Good morning. Have you settled with the "sym.?"

Consternation has reigned in the *Record* Proof Room since the disappearance of the "Flotsam and Jetsam" column. Ye gods and little fishes! Is this unparalleled bunch of brains and erudition to go unrepresented in THE TRADES UNIONIST galaxy of literary stars? *Aber nit.* This chapel, the finest aggregation of gentlemen that ever worried a chairman, can boast of more first-class union timber than any chapel of its size in the country, and it needs a correspondent to properly keep it before the public. Therefore I have nominated myself for the job until the benign countenance of Pard Bloomer again looms above the horizon. In the meantime, be cheerful and try to bear it.

As to available union timber, it may be a little early yet, but the *Record* Proof Room will be right on deck next spring with a few popular and deserving candidates. We have the material to fill any office from that of president down. About one-third of our members have been delegates and the rest of us are anxious to be—that is, with the exception of the writer, whose political aspirations were mashed flat several years ago. Never again!

The Allen and Belcher cases are most deplorable from every point of view. Aside from the suffering and humiliation they have brought on their families these men have done much to weaken that spirit of confidence that has flourished among union men in recent years and that ought at all times be displayed and fostered among fellow-employes. The old adage that opportunity makes the thief seems to be again verified, and the symposiums, established for the convenience of borrowers, have already proved stumbling blocks to at least three men. Opportunity, which beckons strong men on to greater things, only too often proves the rock on which weak men shatter their reputations.

"There's many a sad heart behind a smiling face," remarked F. C. Roberts in his "Reflections" last week. That may be the case when a man's heart jumps into his mouth, but as a general thing the sad heart can be located a whole lot nearer an empty stomach.

Mr. Stillings has promised us all a "square deal," but from the stuff the daily papers have been printing it appears that every mother's son in the G. P. O. is watching the bottom of the deck.

I have very little patience with labor writers of the lugubrious school. Column after column is written and printed every line of which breathes defiance, fight, and turmoil. Only the dark spots in labor's history, past, present, and future, are dwelt on, embellished, and paraded for our edification. Has the struggle between capital and labor become so bitter and vindictive that we have no time or space in our labor papers for an occasional cheerful or friendly word for the employer? Are there not here and there capitalists who treat their employes as men and brothers and practice the gospel of the "square deal" without mouthing the phrase day in and day out? And are not these men worthy of an occasional friendly word, or must they be crowded out by the hot shot aimed at the Posts, the Parrys, and the Otises?

Press dispatches have announced that David Belasco, the playwright and manager, canceled the engagement of the "Sweet Kitty Bellairs" company at the Lafayette Theater in Detroit this week because the local manager had employed nonunion stage hands. Mr. Belasco has a contract with the union and refuses to depart therefrom. Is not that worthy of a line in our labor papers? Surely such things are calculated to revive our faith in the honor of business men and the future of our cause. A little thing in itself this incident may be, but it carries to the heart of the union man more cheer than a column of bombastic logic and railings aimed at the men who are opposing us. The average union man is well enough informed as to his enemies, but needs to learn the names of some of his friends. The sound of the word "boycott" becomes monotonous from frequent repetition and loses its power.

For one I would like to see our writers handle topics that tend to carry good cheer to the union toilers instead of continually and everlastingly harping on the bass string. Victories can be won just as well with a song on our lips as with a scowl on our brows. One W. Shakespeare (or was it Col. John A. Joyce?) has well said that "the Lord loveth a cheerful scrapper."

I. Walter Sharp has been greatly misrepresented to me. He has always been spoken of as a great disciple of Isaak Walton, and quite naturally one would expect from him an occasional good fish story. But there's where I got the wrong dope. Walter recently spent three weeks of his annual leave in camp at McCall Ferry, Pa., with his wife and mother, and upon his return I looked for something pretty fair in the way of a yarn. This is what I got and the way I got it:

"Have a good time, Mr. Sharp?"

"Well, just middling."

"Catch many fish?"

"Just a few."

"Some pretty big ones, I expect."

"Not very. Largest one weighed only two pounds."

"The big ones slipped off the hook, then?"

"Nope. They never came near my bait."

"Well, at any rate you find fishing great sport, don't you?"

"Well, I don't know. I have had more fun painting the roof of my house on a hot day."

And all this time I have had him classed with the piscatory prevaricators. Now, what are you going to do with a man who throws you down like that?"

The typothetæ are gradually learning that broken promises win no battles, even if the promises were made to strike breakers and rats, who are not generally overburdened with a sense of honor.

The resignation of Joe M. Johnson, on the 20th instant, took the *Record* readers completely by surprise. Mr. Johnson has accepted a position as proofreader on the *Post*, and his associates in this chapel bade him farewell with genuine regret. While with us he won the friendship of all by his courteous, gentlemanly, manner, and in whatever field he may venture in the future he may count on our sincere wishes for his success.

The Lanston people claim that the Monotype "runs like a watch." Who ever saw a watch that could "make a noise like a thrashing machine?"

Secretary Taft has returned from his recent inspection of the work on the Panama Canal and reports that the hole in the ground and the hole in the appropriation are both becoming noticeable.

From the looks of things the recently organized strike-breakers' union ought to have enough work in sight to keep its members busy for some time. The wise fowl, however, will continue to roost out of their reach if possible.

In *Scribner's Magazine* for November a Mr. Lawrence Laughlin makes the assertion that in the last fifty years wages have risen about 100 per cent "for the higher grades of work." The gentleman must have had access to the pay rolls of the big life insurance companies, whose officers have been making the most expert second-story worker look like a cheap clothes-line thief.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

O. ber Holt, *see* Monday's dispatches.

Yes, sir, our old friend, Temporary Fletcher, was a visitor the other day.

"Rapid-firing" guns ain't in it with "rapid-disappearing" printers. What did you say?

That well-known printer, Jno. A. Onyun, we regret to announce, is on the sick list.

With the exception of Karl H. Baker all of the temporaries in this Division have reported.

Yes, there are two details. The Indian and we "don't care a Continental Congress" detail.

After a protracted holiday, Geo. H. Albertson, maker-up on the "Y," reported for work on Monday.

Yes, that's exactly what the Burnsides (father and son) Frank E. and Jack said—"a Jim Crow elevator."

Back again, and mighty glad to see him—Imposer Chas. F. Garrette. Beg pardon, Captain, if you please.

That prince of good fellows, Dan Vaughan, of the Department of Commerce and Labor, called in Saturday.

Well, what did you say when interrogated as to night work? Of course you don't need to incriminate yourself.

Did you ever speak a cheery word to the elevator conductors? A pleasant answer is a longer shot than 100 to 1. Try it.

Well, well, on leave one day and came in to see us togged out in a twentieth century suit. Yes, there can be only one Brody.

Regular monthly meeting of G. P. O. Council 211, National Union, next Saturday evening, in Pythian Hall, on Ninth street, at 8 o'clock.

No, not "Back to Baltimore," but to the First Division from the Spess, our ten representative "specifiers." Welcome; just in time for the rush.

Jake Lesher having "made good" on his rush work, the two busy bees—Brewer and Burnside—have been "fired off" the job. Tell it not to Lil.

"Benzoine" is an indispensable article in all well-regulated printing offices. Just same as Philadelphia cough-drops, except that it is applied externally.

There is comparatively little real sickness among the army of workers in the big shop. An occassional case of "nervous prostration" caused by——

Glad hand; yes, all hands up. The temps. are with us. May they be kept busy and remain with us until the cherry blossoms come again. They are all right.

All bets are off. That bunch of Colonial Beach left-overs lost out by reason of an adverse decision by the court, 'Twas ever thus. See Frank Burnside for details.

Don't you know, of course you do, that Wm. G. Glenn, everybody calls him "Billy" over in the Second, is another one of the many popular compositors in that chapel.

This week it was ex-Secretary Lillard, of Alabama, who has deluged the office with illustrated Sunny South postals. Come back, "Lill," and all will be forgiven and forgotten.

Quite busy, thank you. We mean the Rumor Committee fixing up the night force and selecting the "cage staff;" even gone so far as to name the compositors. But wait and see.

And now we learn that Oscar Nelson, recently of the Fourth Division, has embarked in the raising of poultry in his new home at Los Angeles, Cal. Here's wishing you all kinds of prosperity.

A progressive euchre party for the benefit of the Christ Child Society in St. Stephen's Parish, will be held at Carroll Institute, on Wednesday, December 6. A most excellent and worthy cause.

Another easy example in our copy-book in the long years ago, "Truth is mighty and must prevail." No reference whatever to the specimen of ghoulish *Truth* the newsboys seek to sell on Saturday.

A handsome table, with indispensable shelving, drawers, etc., was delivered in this Division on Saturday—the latest production of Foreman Bundy's first-class carpenters. Right; always encourage home industry.

Our jovial neighbors over in the Second are talking of another banquet at a date not remote. Let some of us in the big First know about it in time and we'll swell the number at the festal board—if we receive an invitation.

Did you get a "bill-take" on Monday? First of the season, blowed in with that miniature snown-storm. As usual, the job was delivered to Mr. Dierken, of the office of Foreman of Printing, by J. Frank Morgan ahead of schedule time. O, I tell you.

That unexcelled quartette, Messrs. Alleger, Howard, McPike, and Semmes are "as to the manner born" in this great big Division, and apparently have eight short hours of pleasureable contentment. The loss of the Second is the gain of the First.

"Delays are dangerous" was a well-known example in our copy book after the Mexican War. Heed the force of the old axiom, intelligent reader, and if you are not a member of the National Union annex yourself to the great, growing and popular order.

Oh, why should the spirit of mortal be proud? Give it up. Well, then why not number the alleys in this large Division before the night-force is inauguated, else our friend big Chris. will not understand which way "Johnnie Green" was coming back.

Gifted Brother Finley S. Hayes, down in the pressroom, on the first floor, is ever on the lookout to be obliging and helpful to someone. Saturday last he most delightfully entertained a gathering of Southern people with popular, up to-date humorous recitations.

Our old friend of bygone days, Mayor Chas. G. Covert, of the city of Evansville, Ind., writes: "I have just recovered from the election, and while I was not a candidate, my party got a severe trouncing." In passing, we might add that Uncle Jake Covert is the Mayor's father.

The man who starts on a downward path (we regret to confess that we have some starters) will always find plenty of people to grease the course and rush him along to destruction. But few hands are stretched forth to pull him back to the high land—throw out the life-line, as it were.

Jack Burnside's face was a picture the other afternoon while surrounded by a bevy of handsome young and old ladies, in charge of Guide Neuer. 'Tis the truth (no Ananias) when we say his mug was as red as Tom Dailey's red necktie that he purchased down at Colonial Beach last summer.

A liberal collection was taken up by Chairman Templar during the week for a turkey dinner for the Central Union Mission. There is not a more liberal set of people in the Government employ than the representatives of the "art preservative." Generous to a fault, with an unbounded liberality.

A subscription paper for the benefit of the deserted wife and three boys of the absconding J. W. Belcher, late treasurer of the Third Division sym., approved by the acting Public Printer and passed around by Chairman Templar, was very generously signed. When will these glaring scandals cease?

That Virginia buckwheat delivered to the syndicate, at a nominal cost, by that prince of good fellows (of which we have so many) T. Frank Morgan, was pronounced "all right" by W. E. Crump, a native, not only of Richmond, but a resident of Boston, Mass., for nine days in June, 1891—delegate to the International Typographical Convention.

Our friends over in the North Capitol M. E. Church, opened a successful Bazaar of Nations on Monday evening to continue two weeks. So far it has been most liberally patronized; howsomever it could not be otherwise under the efficient and courteous management of Colonel "Bill" Reed and a delightful galaxy of lady assistants. Drop in and patronize the noonday lunch. Hope they will clear not less than $1,000.

Some unknown friend has mailed us a marked copy of the *Express and Westbote*, the leading consolidated German daily, published at the "storm-centre" of Republican politics in the Buckeye State, Columbus, Ohio. The article, blue penciled, is under the head of "police items," and states that "a fellow got drunk, got a ham bone sandwich, when the owner was absent and got arrested." O, come back and all will be forgiven, Billy.

There are a number of good vocalists on ever floor of the office. Why not occasionally, or even daily, have a singing service of a few minutes duration. Get leaflets containing some of the old hymns that are blessed memories of boyhood and a solace in maturer years. Such pastime would be enjoyable, generally inspiring, and certainly helpful; without doubt more profitable than backcapping wayward brothers or discussing trite symposium matters.

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THE WAPAKONETA TRIBE.

The following Indians (not Wahnetas) in this Division have a red-hot engagement on the Indian Dictionary, which has had an unprecedented run. Those Carlisle red men are green with envy that they were not selected for the detail. The following *personnel* of the bunch, nicely composed, has been handed us by one of the red skins:

Buc'-kin-gham'i sig.: He who loves to see the horse jump.
Rho-et'to-des, prob.: Likes to see dog-geral.
Dic-ska-kman'-te, sig: Never weary of skating.
Ra'-st'dley-qua, sig.: He who never pulls teeth.
Bur'ste-net-ti-que, sig.: Man afraid of his proof.
Brod-qua-na-xi, sig.: One who talks much; hunts turkeys.
Bar'-et-reng-er'k, sig.: He who ties his whiskers with a string.
Tow'-qui-ner, prob.: Gets the water early.
Mu-ll-en-ska, sig.: He works with onions.
On'sti-yun, sig.: The man who howls with rasp.
Ski'-wat-kins, Git-ski'-len, Ski'-fli-lli-ps, Cam'-ski'-bell, off, Otis, the *ski* prob. meaning in doubt, "up in the air." This quartet of chiefs is chiefly engaged in marking, erasing, and remarking; their specialty being the making of "rings."

ROUGH WRITER.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

Sixth Division.

Johnnie Stowell, stole away from his labors in this Division last week on account of illness.

Last Sunday's Union meeting was largely attended. A few drops of rain and a little cool weather is the stuff that makes the attendance large.

On account of continued illness L. D. Wheeldon has been transferred from the machine to the Proof Room.

Machine Helper Percy Reid returned to work in this Division on Monday, after an extended hunting trip up in Canada.

Frenzied finance on the part of some of the frenzied secretaries of frenzied symposiums has put the minds of the stockholders in a frenzied condition.

Daniel Clark has forsaken the beauties of Williamsport, Pa., and taken up his lot in the G. P. O. as linotype machinist. He came to work on Tuesday.

For the first time since his occupancy of the chair, President Berg's report showed no deaths occuring during the time intervening between the October and November meeting.

This year's *Record* mail list will be looked after by C. C. Brodie as foreman, with A. W. Emery as worthy assistant. This is a good team and it is safe to say the mail list will get the proper attention.

Chairman George Hayden *did* attend last Sunday's Union meeting. Chairman George Hayden came up from Alexandria for that purpose alone. Chairman George Hayden knows his duty when he sees it, Chairman George Hayden does.

Ruch C. Johnson was assigned to a frame in this Division on Monday morning. Mr. Johnson has spent the past six years in Manila, P. I., three of which were in the Government Printing Office at that place. He is a native of the State of Texas, and comes to this office on a transfer from the Manila shop.

In his monthly report to the Union last Sunday, Chairman Joe Stelle, of the Relief Committee said: "I have used all the funds on hand, and twenty-two cents of my own money. I would therefore ask for an appropriation of $100." Evidently good friend Joseph proposes to get those twenty-two cents back.

A resignation which caused no little surprise was that of Joe M. Johnson, on Monday, who quit the *Record* Proof Room to take a similar position on the Washington *Post*. Looking backward for a few weeks we find some of the best known men in the G. P. O. leaving Uncle Sam's printery for other fields. With such men as Chas. W. Otis, Dan C. Vaughan, and Joe M. Johnson leaving for other fields, it is not flattery to say the G. P. O. sustains a loss.

Chas. E. Leighton, compositor, Fifth Division, has on exhibition at his frame one of the finest pieces of photographic work it was ever my pleasure to behold. The scene is a rural one, representing the village blacksmith at work shoeing a horse. Very few who see it believe it possible to be the work of a camera, having much of the steel engraving effect. Photography is one of Mr. Leighton's hobbies, which fact is not to be wondered at when one sees the productions of his camera.

Acting Public Printer Ricketts, if the *Times* is to be believed, has decreed that whenever it is discovered that a man and wife are employed in the G. P. O. one or the other must go; also that a married woman passing herself and signing the pay roll as a being single must also bid adieu to the big shop. This order will certainly meet with the heartiest approval of all but those affected. Its the proper thing, and to my way of thinking the order should have been issued several years ago.

In the last two issues of a local renegade publication called *Truth* there have appeared articles over the signature of some one singing himself "Foxy Gunn," and in which about one-half of the employes of the G. P. O. were "knocked" upon. There are but two people named Gunn employed in the G. P. O.—Mr. H. S. Gunn, the well-known First Division bankman, and the writer of these notes. I do not believe the articles in question were written by the former gentleman, and quite positive not by myself. To my personal acquaintances a denial of this sort I believe to be useless, and only do so now in order that those who may know me as a TRADES UNIONIST correspondent only may not think me guilty of such contemptible work.

That appearances are sometimes deceiving was fully illustrated one day last week when a young man, one of the recent beginners on the machine, came to me, and with a display of pride and the statement that he was getting to be pretty nearly all right when it come to setting clean proofs, exhibited a proof sheet on which but four errors were marked. After a glance at the proof I called his attention to the fact that he was displaying a revise, and for which he would be credited with four pink slips. When I saw the effect the discovery had on the young man I felt real sorry. However, as my friend W. H. Anglin used to say: "When you get twenty pink ones you get a blue one," there is every possibility that the young man will soon be entitled to a change of color.

No little amount of gossip was caused last week by the defalcation of two symposium secretaries. Without wishing to comment on the merits or demerits of the symposium question, I will add that I feel sorry for both Allen and Belcher—sorry for any man who takes that which is given to his keeping as a trust. At the same time very little sympathy can be found for the organization which takes up a comparative stranger, who has hardly been in the shop long enough to warm the seat of his stool, knowing nothing of his past and places him in charge of its funds. After another jar or two like the past two events, those who do not wish to handle their own money will think twice before they give it to another' keep.

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Women Must Use Husbands' Names.

An article published in last Sunday's *Times*, under the above heading, setting forth Acting Public Printer Rickett's intentions in the matter of the married women employed in the G. P. O., will no doubt create consternation in some quarters.

When a woman seeks employment for the purpose of helping a deserving husband to meet the burdens incidental to an expensive, not to say extravagant, family; when she correctly represents herself as a married woman; or, if the husband be not deserving and she is forced to leave her home and children to earn a livelihood for herself, she should be given credit and commended.

On the other hand, it may be said that the place for a married woman is in her home, and if she is content to have that home the abode for husband, wife, and their children, leaving out the mother-in-law, or other relatives on either side, it is a poor man, indeed, who cannot support his family in a proper way, providing the wife and husband use necessary economy and the two work in perfect harmony in the conduct of their affairs.

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Harry Jones, of E. G. C. Shop, and member of Columbia Lodge, No. 174, is seriously ill with typhoid.

The latest bulletin issued from the Navy Department shows the *Connecticut* one month nearer completion than her sister ship, the *Louisiana*. If this is not a practical and positive proof of the advantage of union workmen over nonunion, then I will stop advocating trades unions.

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Secretary Bonaparte, during the recent campaign in Maryland, in speaking to the citizens of Frederick at a meeting of the Square Deal Club, said: "I want every man to be measured by the same yard-stick, and weighed in the same scales."

I think my good friend, the Secretary, was perfectly right, and for once at least I am in perfect accord with him in the sentiments expressed. Such an expression as that should not be wasted and cast aside as simply a campaign document, but should be retained and carried into effect in real life. The opportunity is at hand. The Secretary fully knows that the machinists in the Naval Gun Factory are not getting in wage for their labor what the Government pays its machinists in other Departments, nor as much as the individual concerns on the outside pays its mechanics. He is also aware of the fact that no manufacturing plant in this country has a corps of expert mechanics like the Gun Plant. This being an established fact, would it not be proper for Secretary Bonaparte to carry into effect the beautiful expression used before the Square Deal Club, by placing the machinists of the Naval Gun Factory on the same wage plane as in other Departments, thus proving to the world at large that he says what he means and means every word he says?

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There is nothing that pleases me more than when an opportunity occurs to speak well of a shopmate. When he is happy I rejoice with him; when he is downcast my smypathies go out to him, and when he casts aside his shop clothes as a mechanic and dons the dress of a professional I am more than pleased and am always ready to bid him Godspeed on his upward course. Two of our shopmates have shed their overalls and are now known to the world, not as M. H. Prosperi and Geo. H. Camp, machinists, but as doctors of medicine, having recently graduated with high honors from the George Washington University. In their new calling we wish them a successful career, examples for others to follow in a profession that is in need of men of knowledge and understanding—*doctors born, not made.*

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.10 p. m. on Monday, President McCarthy in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, and after correction as to the name of W. S. Jenks was made, were approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Steam Engineers, No. 94: John W. Stockton, John W. Ross, A. H. Ransome, John McIlvaine, and Greenwood Johns.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Metal Polishers, Buffers, Platers, Brass Molders, Brass and Silver Workers Union of North America, stating that the Wehrle Stove Co., of Newark, Ohio, was unfair to that organization, and that Sears, Roebuck & Co., of Chicago, Ill., a mail-order house, handled the entire product of the Wehrle Stove Co., and asking that both firms be placed on "We Do Not Patronize List." Placed on file.

From Trades and Labor Assembly, of Quincy, Ill., detailing action of two corporations of that city in suing eight members of local unions for conspiracy, and inclosing five tickets for a ball, to be given for the purpose of securing funds to aid in the defense. On motion, the tickets were purchased.

From Central Labor Union, Paducah, Ky., calling attention to street car men lockout in that city, and that Joseph L. Friedman, of Friedman, Kieler & Co., whisky distillers, is president of the street car line. and asking that the product of that distillery be left severely alone. On motion, a committee consisting of Delegates Peoples, Walz, and Considine were appointed to look up firms that may handle the product of that distillery.

From Coopers International Union, asking for assistance in organizing coopers in this vicinity. Referred to organizer.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Columbia Typographical Union: Delegate Dickman reported that on investigation it developed that the complaint made by the Amalgamated Carpenters against a member of Columbia Typographical Union having unfair work done in remodeling a building, was an unwarranted attack on said member.

Retail Clerks: Delegate Moser called attention to Dave Wolf being on unfair list.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE.

The Grievance Committee reported favorably in case of Plumbers Union against Harry Wardman, builder, and recommended that he be placed on unfair list. The recommendation was concurred in.

The committee reported progress on other cases.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Special committee to whom was referred the case of the railway express messengers discharged from Southern Express Co., apparently on account of joining Railway Express Messengers Union, reported that they had been denied an audience with the representatives of the Southern Express Co. The committee was discharged.

Committee on Smoker reported that they had a specialty for the smoker, and warned all members that they would miss a treat if they remained away.

The special committee to visit T. Hollander, North Capitol and H streets, in the interest of union-made goods, reported that they had visited the Hollander store and were promised that a full line of union goods would be placed on sale.

NEW BUSINESS.

The secretary made several recommendations relative to printing of proposed list of firms "We Do Not Patronize," which recommendations were adopted.

The secretary presented the published draft of a child-labor law, as submitted by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia. The matter was referred to the Legislative Committee and the secretary directed to write to the Commissioners commending their action.

The Label Committee asked that Sam DeNedry be employed to visit the various Locals and urge members of organized labor to insist on the union label and to refrain from patronizing firms on the unfair list. The point being raised that it required a nine-tenths vote to adopt the recommendation of the committee, after much discussion the recommendation was voted down.

Adjourned.

The A. F. of L. Convention.

The twenty-fifth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor adjourned sine die at Pittsburg last Saturday.

In the election of officers there was but two changes in the complexion of the Executive Council, Seventh Vice-President Spencer, of the Plumbers, being defeated for re-election by Wm. D. Huber, of the Brotherhood of Carpenters, and Joseph F. Valentine, of the Molders, being elected Eighth Vice-President to succeed a vacancy caused by Thos. I. Kidd's withdrawal.

The questions taken up by the convention were many and varied.

As usual the trade jurisdiction fights occupied a great deal of attention, the most stubborn one of the lot—that of Brewery Workers claiming the Engineers in breweries—going back to the Executive Council.

The practical indorsement of the convention of the Steam Fitters to have a charter granted them by the Executive Council seems to have been an indorsement of trade autonomy, and to be consistent the Brewery Workers will be asked to relinquish the Engineers.

The proposed plan of settlement of jurisdiction between the Amalgamated Wood Workers and the Brotherhood of Carpenters contemplates a conference to be held next January at Indianapolis, where that much-discussed matter will be settled finally.

The convention also went on record in favor of stringent enforcement of the child-labor laws in the various States.

Another matter taken up was the prevention of tuberculosis in the home and factory. A representative of the New York Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis addressed the convention and made a deep impression on the delegates.

The eight-hour controversy now on between the I. T. U. and the Typothetæ was indorsed, and the action of the Executive Council in calling for an assessment for that purpose was approved, the convention further instructing the Executive Council to give aid as long as needed in the judgment of the Executive Council.

Minneapolis was chosen as place for next convention.

Japanese Exclusion League.

The following are extracts from a speech bs O. A. Tveitmoe, president of the Japanese and Korean Exclusion League, delivered May 7, 1905, at San Francisco, Cal.:

The statistics in the Immigration Bureau of the last three years and a half show an alarming increase in the ratio of Japanese immigrants. They continue to come in numbers ranging from 500 to 1,000 on every steamer, until we today have over 50,000 Japanese in the Hawaiian Islands, and the equal number within the borders of the United States. * * * * *

It is true that the statesmen of the Japanese Empire would have taken note of our protests and objections to this menacing invasion of our country, its industries and commerce, but, it is also true, that if we are to solve our industrial and commercial problems, we must do the solving and not allow it to be done by the doubtful manipulations of Japanese diplomacy. * * *

You all recognize the dangers that threaten our people and the very existence of our beloved republic from unrestricted Japanese and coolie immigration. If there perchance should be a person within the hearing of my voice, or an American citizen who does not understand that unlimited coolie immigration to this country means its ultimate downfall, we desire to hear from him, because he is sadly in need of education. * *

If we are to wait for the ripening of Japanese diplomacy to solve this problem, the solution will not be to our liking or our interest. We are not afraid of Japanese competition in work. We are afraid they will underlive us. They will reduce our standard of living and Mongolianize it. The tides of time will be reversed and we will be thrust back four thousand years.

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

George Lawrence, a worthy brother of Columbia Lodge, in seriously ill.

George Holt, who has been connected with the Yard as fireman, has gone to his reward, faithful to the end.

P. H. Wilkinson, who for several months has been in a sanitarium down in Tennessee fighting to regain his health, has returned to work looking fine and much improved. There is not a man in the Yard better liked or more respected than Patrick Henry.

General Foremen M. A. Lynch and Charley Robinson have been away for a couple of weeks examining the different Navy Yards and large private plants for the purpose of looking into their working conditions, and to gather such general information as to improve conditions in the Naval Gun Factory. This move by the Navy Department is right and proper. If there are new ideas we want them and no better men could be selected than they to secure them. Old ideas in mechanics are now a thing of the past; be up-to-date if you want to win.

I spent an hour with the editor of the *Machinists' Journal* a few Sundays ago. To me it was an intellectual treat. It was a visit that I will remember all my life—a visit to one, though physically weak, was mentally strong; a giant brain controlling an emaciated frame. Like unto the late Alexander Stephens, through the suffering of the body, the brain power had more fully developed. I would advise any trades unionist desiring such an intellectual treat as was afforded me to pay him a visit at his home in Brightwood Park. You will be welcome. He will appreciate your visit and you will be benefited thereby.

Recently I had occasion to purchase some shirts. To my surprise I discovered that in visiting the several stores in the Navy Yard a shirt with a union label attached was an unknown quantity On being informed that the Elgin Shirt Manufacturing Co. were now producing shirts in all grades, bearing the label, that enterprising and up-to-date firm of Bieber-Kaufman & Co. immediately ordered samples, which proved so satisfactory that they at once placed a large order with the firm. I am informed that the first consignment will arrive before the holidays. Bear this in mind, boys, when buying Christmas presents.

Arthur E. Holder, assistant editor of the *Machinists' Journal*, is spending a few weeks in Newfoundland, using his persuasive powers to adjust certain grievances between the employer and the craft. As an adjuster he has no superior, as a speaker few equals, and as a thorough up-to-date trades unionist—no, I won't say what I intend, as Bro. Holder is not susceptible to flattery. Anyway he is the right man in the right place wherever he may be. You can't hook him up wrong. The only regret I have to make is that the machinist craft is not composed as a whole of such men as Arthur E. Holder.

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Sunday work has again started in several of the shops, owing to the pressure of work. The faithful are now casting goo-goo eyes at the foreman as he passes to and fro, thus slyly intimating that while a few Sundays from church will not affect their spiritual welfare, the extra allowance for Sunday work would materially increase the coal pile, etc. Now for the annual grand visit to the President and Secretary by the Ministers' Association to protest against the desecration of the Sabbath.

There is one strange thing about the Sunday work—the men who do not want to work are the men who are not classed as church people, and vice versa. I guess the reason why the faithful wish to labor is that they can contribute that day's pay toward the debt of the church. If this be true, it is indeed commendable.

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DUTY.

When you have done your duty, what is it to you if carped at by those who may deem their interests affected by your conduct? The field of opinion is neutral ground in which you have a right to fight. If you have had the independence to act from principle, you lose half your honor if you can be affected in this world without giving offense to somebody.

He who cannot endure scorn and malice ought never to take a track which diverges from the beaten road. If duty calls you act fearlessly, boldly, honestly, and you will triumph in the end.

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Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. of M., were entertained for a time on Wednesday evening by a committee from the Central Labor Union, who were there to talk not only trade unionism incidentally, but particularly the union label.

John G. Schmidt opened up the program, and in his own quiet way fully demonstrated the fact that he was a master trades unionist.

The next speaker was Sam DeNedry, who captured the boys in a body by completely surrounding them before he had concluded his introductory remarks, by stating that he was not only the most handsome man in the Southland, but that he had at one time to accept a jail sentence to protect himself from the fair sex. Before he had concluded his remarks every one agreed with him that he was not only a thoroughbred, but that he was thoroughly familiar with the subject he had had in hand. I think it would be a good idea for Columbia Lodge to invite Bro. DeNedry to pay us an occasional visit, if for no other purpose than to draw out some of the vinegar that seems to take possession of some of our members, and insert some of DeNedry's sunshine.

I had almost forgotten F. C. Roberts, as I was so wrapt up in DeNedry. Now everybody knows Roberts; that is, every trade unionist in the city does, and I am not bothered about the others, as I believe that while every member of a union is not a good trades unionist, every trades unionist makes a good, worthy member of whatever trade he represents in his Local.

Now, I well knew that Bro. Roberts was a good speaker as well as a scribe, I was not prepared for the eloquence that fell so gracefully and so fittingly from his lips as he portrayed the many blessings resulting from the use of the label, as against the suffering that existed in the many sweatshops where the label was unknown. Long before he had concluded his remarks I felt that I had done him an injustice when writing about the dean of the corps I stated that the rest of us might drop out and not be missed. I wish to retract that statement and include with Bro. Bloomer his colleague in the G. P. O., Bro. Roberts. This apology on my part I trust will be perfectly satisfactory to both. Come again Bro. Roberts when you have something good. You and your colleagues will be welcome.

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A STUBBORN FACT.

If the Naval Gun Factory where you are employed is all wrong, and the Commandant is a curmudgeon, it may be well for you to go to him and tell him so. Explain to him that his policy of government is absurd. Then show him how to reform his methods, and if necessary you might offer to take charge of the plant for a few days, simply to show him how to cleanse it of all its faults. Do this, or if for any reason you should prefer not, then take your choice of these:

Either get out or get in line. If you work for an individual, a corporation, or for Uncle Sam, work, and do not be an idler. If your employer pays you wages that supply you your bread and butter, speak well of him, think well of him, stand by him, and stand by the institution he represents.

If put to the pinch, an ounce of loyalty is worth a pound of cleverness or a ton of knocking. If you must villify your employer, why resign your position, and when you are outside the gate, damn to your hear's content. But I pray you, so long as you are a part of an institution do not condemn it or its management, for when you disparage the institution of which you are a part, you not only disparage yourself, but disgrace the craft of which you also are a part. Think this over, boys.

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YELLOW JOURNALISM.

The Washington *Times* is fast developing into yellowism, not from old age, however, but evidently from a *desire* to attract attention by the sensational instead of the ordinary plain daily grind of facts. The latest move in this direction appeared on Thursday, the 16th inst., under the following headlines, in large type, so as to attract attention:

NAVY YARD STRIKE

MAY BE OUTCOME—MACHINISTS AT THE GUN FACTORY ARE DISSATISFIED. WILL REVISE WAGE SCALE.

The *Times* continues:

At a meeting of Local Union 164, of Machinists, to be held at their rooms, 1204 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, a committee from Local 173, the Navy Yard Union, will report as to the condition of affairs at the Gun Factory.

At this meeting, which it is said will be in the nature of a joint conference, questions of great importance to the trade in the city will probably be decided upon. It is reported that the question of how many of the 1,700 machinists now employed in the Gun Factory can be placed in outside shops on short notice will be ascertained. This move is claimed to be taken, in view of the increase in the wage scale that the factory machinists' are going to demand from the Government.

If the iridescent rainbow chaser of a reporter, who no doubt had been indulging in rarebits, had for a moment wrote one word of truth he might have been forgiven for the balance.

In the first place Local No. 164, is in Quebec, Canada, and No. 173 is in Eau Claire, Wis. No doubt he meant Nos. 193 and 174.

To show to the public and the Navy officers that there is not even a semblance of truth in the statements of the *Times*, I will state there was no meeting of the two bodies, not even one contemplated. If so, it would have been held in Naval Hall, where a large audience could be accommodated, and not in a room that could scarcely hold an even hundred. The only semblance to truth in the statement was in the fact that Local No. 193 had invited a committee from No. 174 to meet a like committee from No. 193, to discuss certain matters relative to the auditing of the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Machinists. Nothing less and nothing more, and how the *Times* from such a tiny thread wove such a cloth I am at a loss to determine, unless it was a desire on the part of the *Times* to place the machinists in the Yard in an unenviable position, being as antagonistic to the Government of which they are a part.

The position I hold as a correspondent necessarily compels me to read all the daily papers for such items that might benefit our craft. I can say, with truth and all fairness, that the *Star*, with few exceptions, never prints such fairy tales without first investigating, and I have for the first time to record the fact of the *Post* entering into dreamland and publishing statements today that must be denied tomorrow. I scarcely miss a meeting of Columbia Lodge of Machinists, and in the several years of membership I have as yet to hear one word spoken that might be construed, even by the gossip, as intimating such a thing as a strike. As President Adams has said, Columbia Lodge works along lawful lines to secure justice to its membership. Any information that the daily papers request of the doings of Columbia Lodge will be furnished promptly by President Adams, Secretary Brennan, or by the writer, as we have no secrets that we cannot divulge to the press. Therefore I say to the *Times*, don't indulge in any more rarebits, but ascertain the facts before publishing fairy tales, that only have its origin in the brain of a fun-making reporter, thus making the *Times* appear ridiculous.

TIM TICKLE.

Death of J. H. Peake.

J. H. Peake, a brother of Millard F. and Chas. P. Peake, the well known printers, died yesterday morning at the residence of his father-in-law, Richard Rothwell. Mr. Peake left this city in 1899 for Cody, Wyo, being one of the pioneers in establishing that town. He was editor and proprietor of the Cody *Enterprise*, and was also interested in various business enterprises there. He was a member of G. P. O. Council, No. 211, National Union, the Masonic fraternity, and several other organizations. He came to this city last June to try and regain his health, but the improvement was not permanent. He will be buried with Masonic honors.

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

That newsstand and boarding house story will not down, that Messrs. Thomas Walsh and Scott Bone are to issue a penny daily. The latest phase is to the effect that the *Star* will print the new paper until the *Times* moves into its new quarters, when it will occupy the present *Times* building, at Tenth and D streets.

Director North, of the Census, says that the Secretary of the Interior has decided that vacancies occuring in other bureaus are to be filled by transfer from the Census Office so far as may be practicable. Following this line of action, it might be possible, in framing the prospective printing law, to incorporate a paragraph therein to the effect that vacancies in the several Departments, so far as practicable, be filled by Printing Office talent. A goodly portion of the paring and preparation of the publications for the current year is the handiwork of graduates from the G. P. O—two notable instances being Willis J. Fowler in the Treasury and Lloyd Prather in the Interior Department.

Everybody is not bad in this town. This fact I learned on Sunday afternoon last by attending for the first time the "men's meeting" under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A., at the Belasco Theater. At least half of the audience rose at the call of Evangelist Smith and said they were good and at the second call nearly all the remainder expressed a desire to travel in the same direction. I was pleased to note a pretentious sprinkling of printers among the audience.

Imagine first of all an aggressive, positive, stocky example of Americanism. Then blend with this the voice of a tragedian and the face of a bishop, and you have Gompers—Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor. He has a dynamic personality, one that grips and holds you, and when you see and hear him you know in an instant why he is the foremost union craftsman of the continent of North America.

He is short, wears a frock coat—at least he did yesterday—but you forget the detail of clothes when you look into those fighting eyes. These eyes have a setting of spectacles, but glass or gold cannot hide the aggressive glint cannot hide the touch of softness that comes when the bishop in him succeeds the militant.

To hear one speech is to know that he understands men. When he begins, as he did yesterday at the meeting of the machinsts in the Old City Hall, there is little to suggest the forceful oratory which he has at his command. His mouth is not small and there is a fascinating study in the play of the lips. In his talk he reveals himself as something above the general public estimate. He is not alone a champion of an eight-hour day. He wants men to work and to work hard, not only to support themselves and their families, but to earn an honorable leisure whereby they may deepen and broaden their lives. It is the life that Gompers wants to improve. His ideals are high and pure if his speech is any criterion. He is of that rarest and most effective combination in humanity—a man of dreams and action.

His delivery is deliberate and his enunciation, if anything, almost too precise. He says "par-tic-u-lar-i-ly." He does not glide over sounds and just the slightest touch of the British creeps into his pronunciation.

But it is not all idealistic, nor benedicitory, if there is such a word. He can snap the whip of scorn and the sting of his words smarts. It is impossible to reproduce the effect of a little sentence from the Sunday talk, which ran:

"Some eat to work, some sleep to work, some dream to work, and it seems that some are born only to work." In cold type this is fairly rythmic, but in the mouth of Gompers it is a sardonic trumpet call.

Yet the bishop in him will not down. He is then the shepherd of the flock, the leader of the thousands who look to him for inspiration and guidance. Deeply religious, he preaches the brotherhood of man and, as he told his hearers yesterday:

"Carry the gospel of good will as preached by the great Nazarene; make mankind better; make life better worth living; become imbued with higher conceptions and loftier ideals, and with hope, struggle, and prayer move to establish the brotherhood of man."

It is so seldom that I turn in reprint copy that I may be pardoned for presenting the above word painting from the Pittsburg *Dispatch*.

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THE crafty statesman shouldn't get too grafty.

AS A KEY to the situation the President has decided on a lock canal.

IT WOULD appear that Turkey and trouble were looking for each other.

ROCKEFELLER is doubtless glad that his money is not as tainted as some people's.

KOREA objects to being assimilated either benevolently, malevolently or otherwise.

PERHAPS those Isle of Pines Americans thought they were remembering the *Maine*.

AND nobody thought to shout "Holy smoke!" when that big whisky warehouse burned down.

ODELL insists on capering nimbly into the limelight whether it wants to stay with him or not.

AFTER they have idealized foot-ball the reformers might turn their attention to the street car jam.

THE classics are losing ground in American colleges, with the exception of the gladiatorial course.

TO JUDGE from recent trade statistics the Chinese boycott was also something of a buy cotton affair.

ORGANIZED labor has reason to give thanks for the auspicious progress of the printer's eight-hour movement.

THE woman with the bird-ornamented hat can compromise with the Audubon Society by carrying a cat-skin muff.

NO COUNTRY can contain too many prosperous consumers. Therefore let the workday be shortened and wages raised.

LOW wages and low living among the toiling masses would result from the general inauguration of the so-called open shop.

IT IS possible that the palpitating patriots o the Isle of Pines would fare better if they possessed more of the ile of ROCKEFELLER.

BY THIS time next year it is to be hoped that printers will be forgetting that more than eight hours ever constituted a workday.

IT IS rumored in sporting circles that the Washington *Post* is trying to arrange a match between the Monroe Doctrine and the Kaiser.

THE Russian deficit amounts to the tidy sum of $250,000,000. The officials have not yet learned to view it with the optimistic eye of our Secretary SHAW.

Mark Twain and Thanksgiving.

We are inclined to protest against MARK TWAIN'S reference to Thanksgiving which appeared in the Washington *Times* last Monday. Therein the celebrated humorist, with characteristic ingenuity, pointed out that while we might have something to be thankful for through the newspaper columns and from the pulpits of the land, "the Deity's Thanksgiving Day is not as rosy as ours will appear." But after all MARK only voices the cheap fling which is so frequently heard on the approach of every Thanksgiving Day. While his criticism of the special shortcomings of particular nations and particular classes of men are true, nevertheless Thanksgiving is not the proper time for such criticism.

It would be just as appropriate to make ourselves miserable on Washington's Birthday bemoaning the fact that Benedict Arnold disgraced his country, or give the Fourth of July over to the mournful discussion of national shortcomings and prophecies of national destruction, or spend Christmas in rumination over the divers and sundry reasons why we have no business to look cheerful. Such occasions should be taken advantage of as breathing spells free from the petty affairs of practical existence. There is plenty of time during the other days of the year in which to pick ourselves to pieces morally and profit by the picking. But on Thanksgiving Day especially the American citizen should rise to the broader spiritual outlook in search of the things which make life and human aspirations and strenuous effort worth while. It is a day, in fact, when we do well to consider the development of civilization and the land in which we live in their entirety and not piecemeal. It is a far cry from the cave man to the man of the skyscraper, not only in the matter of time but mentally and morally. And those who care to make a broad and fair comparison will probably find that the American of to-day averages well up to the standard of the days when our population was approximately homogeneous and the problem of existence was less complex both as regards the republic and the individual.

Indeed, we think that the desire for better things is stronger to-day than ever before, in spite of the purblind pessimist. But pessimism is a sign of arrested soul development. It saw things through a glass darkly in the beginning, just as it does in the present, and as it will world without end. It never had a Thanksgiving and it doesn't care if it never does have one. As for MARK TWAIN we do not like to believe that he is quite as pessimistic as he talks. We prefer to view him still as the laughing philosopher, furnishing a tonic for the care and worry of everyday existence and shedding the light of his glowing genius over Thanksgiving Day as well as over the other three hundred and sixty-four.

Berger Goes on Record.

At the convention of the American Federation of Labor at Pittsburg last week, VICTOR L. BERGER, a representative of the International Typographical Union, asked to be recorded as voting in the negative on the unanimous re-election of President GOMPERS.

This is the second time Mr. BERGER has done this. He "went on record" at San Francisco last year, and if the I. T. U. should re-elect him next May he would do so again, for Mr. BERGER is consistent in his love for Socialism and his hate for anyone who has the courage to combat the theory that a number of very able men endeavor to foist each year before the A. F. of L. convention.

If there was a time when the I. T. U. should feel grateful to the A. F. of L. it is the present, while the struggle for the eight-hour day is on. And a convention that has extended aid and moral support deserves nothing but well wishes from the I. T. U. But what cares BERGER for all this. He gets in the limelight, and if the cause of Socialism is allowed a brief spell during the discussion of the questions coming before the convention he is satisfied. We have had enough of the BERGER and MAX HAYES type of representatives. Let us weigh our Socialistic trade union friends next May and find how much they assay Socialism with pure trades unionism, and grade them accordingly.

THE clergyman who nominated THEODORE ROOSEVELT President of the United States of the World meant well enough, but so far he has failed to get the new republic into working order.

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JOTTINGS BY JOHN JOTTINGER.

Good morning. Can you stand a few more columns of this stuff.

One night last week the hoodoo was camping on the trail of John Huston and his family. Early in the evening Robert, the son and heir, was sent to the grocer for some needed article, and on his return trip he concluded to make a short cut by running through an alley in the rear of the house. Here some repairs were in progress and a wire had been stretched on which to hang a lantern. The wire caught the youngster right on the nose. Result, a badly skinned smeller. Later Mrs. Huston attended a meeting of a ladies' aid society, and on her way home she made a misstep that precipitated her on her face with considerable force. Result, a badly damaged nasal organ. John escaped by staying in the house that night, but since then he is careful not to get into an argument and is seriously thinking of wearing a catcher's mask when he goes out in the dark.

Recently Proofreader Frank Smith went home to cast his vote, and as soon as he stepped on Pennsylvania soil the reform tide rose several inches—but that has nothing to do with this story. Some years ago Frank's father was the proprietor of a drug store in the bustling city of Punxsutawney, and when the old gentleman retired from business he stored away in the cellar or wood shed quite a supply of useful drugs. On his recent visit to the old homestead Frank bethought himself of these, and as the *Record* Proof Room boasts of two physicians, Drs. Atkinson and Schildroth (the latter at one time coroner of St. Clair County, Ill.), he conceived the idea of furnishing them with a little stock of "first aid to overworked proofreaders." On his return he proudly presented his plunder to Dr. Atkinson, who, after an examination thereof, gravely informed him that the drugs were undoubtedly valuable—in female troubles. As those are the only ones the *Record* readers are not liable to suffer from, Frank will endeavor to make a better selection the next time he goes home, and in the meantime his fellow-readers will continue to buy bronchial troches and bromo-seltzer as they need them.

About two months ago E. L. Russ, a veteran copy holder of the Main Proof Room, was so unfortunate as to dislocate his knee, and was removed to the home of his son at Lancaster, Pa. He writes that while he is still confined to bed he is improving and hopes to be able to report for work about the middle of December.

The poor old proofreader! His eye is growing dim; his brain is not as quick to grasp the little niceties of that changeable and fickle thing known as the "office style;" his trigger finger is slower on the comma, the hyphen, and the deadly semicolon, and no doubt the typographical error glides by unobserved. At times, perhaps, the eyelids droop from sheer weariness long ere the day is done. Like a piece of worn-out machinery he must needs give way to the younger, more vigorous man, whose life lies before him in the bright sunshine of health and strength. The best years of his life have been given to his country—in many cases both on the field of battle and in the proof room. His conscientious work with the pencil has made for him enemies among men at the case and the machine who cannot be made to believe that he is not vindictiveness personified and does not take ghoulish delight in marking up a proof till it looks like a Japanese war map.

Among this class his passing to the obscurity of less exacting and naturally less remunerative labors will be noticed, if at all, with scoff or jest, but we who have known him at closer range and appreciate his condition, his natural kindness of heart, and his readiness to give the younger men the benefit of his experience, will not withhold a sincere word of regret should the powers that be remove him from our midst.

Fate has dealt harshly with some of these veterans and lightly with others. There are some whose three-score years are lightly borne, but the frost of time has touched them all to some extent, and in the strenuous days ahead of us they will drop out one by one, both by the natural process of elimination which reaches us all in time and by changes in the interest of greater efficiency, demanded by that unsentimental taskmaster the merit system.

We who are as yet lightly touched by the finger of time may be looking with equanimity on the threatened reduction of our older fellows, but the rising and setting of the sun will not be stayed, and long ere we are ready to admit it the strands of white in our hair and "the deep, deep track that sorrow wears and time can not efface" will advertise to the keen gaze of the men in authority the fact that we too are lagging behind and find it hard to keep up with the pace set by a strenuous leader. And in that day we too shall see and dread the beauties of the the merit system.

The extra half hour the poor clerks are howling about may not have increased the output of work, but it has undoubtedly caused a decrease in the consumption of cigarettes.

James Lacoste Rodier has contributed to the *Trades Union News* a strikingly able personal tribute to the late Ernst Kreft, of Philadelphia. Mr. Kreft's untimely death was a great shock to his many friends in Washington, who admired him for the good work he was doing for the cause of organized labor. That a man with his powerful physique should succumb in the very prime of life is proof that one who labors in behalf of his fellows is not engaged in child's play, and it is well on the passing of such a soul to devote a few moments to the consideration of virtues to which we were hitherto blind or which we were too busy to appreciate.

Fred Weston has been transferred to duty with the Panama Canal Commission and will have supervision of the printing of that body. For some peculiar reason which would tax the erudition of a Philadelphia lawyer the Commission's printing is being done outside the G. P. O , so the down-town men, and especially those who sign the pay roll at Byron S. Adam's, will get the benefit of that work.

Another institution that will prove of some benefit to the down-town contingent is the "Carnegie Fund." The printing to be paid for from this fund—and it will be considerable—will also be withheld from the Government print shop and will help to relieve the condition down town, brought about by the fact that the temporary force in the G. P. O. will be much smaller than usual this winter. The writer is credibly informed that the editing and proof reading on this work is being done at night by a former proofreader who is at present employed in one of the Departments—a sundowner, as it were. In these days of graft this may be all right, but it smacks too much of penuriousness.

Here's a hot rumor right from the committee room: The *Times* people are going to put a new plant into their new building, and Washington is to have a new morning paper which will make use of the old *Times* plant. A number of prominent business men of this city will be financially interested in the venture. The first issue will appear about the middle of December, and Mr. Scott Bone will be the editor. A whole lot of this may be hot air, but I'll bet it's truer than most of the stuff printed in the *Post* nowadays.

Harry Watkins, of the Main Proof Room, was about the last of the vacationists to return to his desk and take up the proofreader's burden. His popularity was attested by his enthusiastic reception, and he has been a little more chesty in consequence. In his efforts to spend his leave money, Harry traveled quite extensively through the South and got as far as Texas. He reports trade conditions flourishing and good men, especially proofreaders, in demand. He received a flattering offer from one of the prosperous dailies, but with the proud disdain which is a characteristic of Government employees he turned it down. When asked his reason for so reckless an act in these "parlous times" he stated that he had the good of the G. P. O. too much at heart.

"It's like this," he said. "You see, if all the good and competent men insist on resigning there will be none to read this snakeology and bugology stuff from the Smithsonian, and rather than see the whole burden of it fall on Pete Ellis and Bill Dorsey I will sacrifice my own interests. Yes, sir; the paper must come out, and I feel that they need me."

This may all be true, but I have known Harry to tell some awful whoppers, and this sounds like one of them.

The difference between a rat and a strike breaker may not be apparent to the casual observer of events, but it exists nevertheless, although it may only be clear to the analyst gifted with a keen sense of smell. The rat we have had with us for centuries, and while heartily despised by the toiler who will not permit his allegiance to his union to be shaken by the storms of adversity, he is or ought to be several degrees higher in the scale of decency than that product of our latter-day civilization, the professional strike breaker.

One can at times find deep down in his heart just a little pity for the rat, who perhaps in a moment of stress or weakness yielded to the soft words of the employer who promised much in the hour of trouble and put the screws on a little harder when it was safe to do so. One can even have a little respect for the man who sincerely believes in the right of every man to work when, where, as long, and for as little as he pleases. It is not given to every man to have a feeling in his heart for the welfare of his neighbor, and the doctrine of "every man for himself" will have adherents as long as the earth revolves. But the strike breaker is a product of modern conditions. He has no interest in either side of the controversy. He is not worrying about the "inalienable right of every man to work." His business is simply to break a strike and to defeat the object of that strike, and when that is done he moves on to other communities and other strikes. He is simply a battering ram of flesh and blood used by his employer for the purpose of breaking down opposition that perhaps has grown out of intolerable conditions among the toiling masses. When the chains of servitude are once again firmly riveted on the flesh of his fellow human beings he cuts another notch in his staff and offers his valuable services to the next capitalist in trouble. And this is what he calls earning an "honest" living; but in the last analysis it will be found that by no one is he despised more than by the man who employs him.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

Good morning, Public Printer Stillings.

Rumor Committee seems to have lost their bearing this week.

Regret to report our pleasant little friend, C. W. Henry, on the sick list.

On Tuesday Geo. W. Shaffer, having been retransferred from the Treasury Division, was assigned to Slug 185, alley 25.

Smooth sailing now. The Ohio wonder, Billy Lentz has returned from his "home-going." O, Donnelly, why were you hung?

Don't let the filthy water stand in the basins in the toilet room. Show the new Public Printer that we are a cleanly set of gentlemen.

Our sympathy and the sympathy of the Chapel go in to our friend Latham, who has been called upon to mourn the loss of a sister.

The happiest man in the Division, Imposer Burnside, and all because they have a fine baby boy out on R street—grandchild, however.

Do not forget to attend the memorial services, under the auspices of Columbia Union, No. 101, in Typographical Temple, next Sunday afternoon.

In the absence of Bank-man Harry S. Gunn, who was detained at home owing to sickness in his family, Voler V. Viles was subbing on the job.

Messrs Williamson and Persinger have been transferred from this side, to alley 25 on the G street side, one remove from the Indians. Mighty close call.

Say, do you know that Mac (we mean Wm. McFarlane) is extremely grouchy, and all because Chris Auracher has gotten a Scotch plaid suit and necktie to match. Cheer up, Mac, your turn will come next.

Everybody was delighted to see our former official messenger, Bruce Bielaski. Pleased to add that our young friend has sometime since received his first deserved promotion. Keep your eye on A. B. B.

Thos. L. Jones, of the Second, was on the sick list a few days this week. His hosts of friends all over the big building will be pleased to learn that he was not long confined to bed. Can ill afford to spare our sweet singer.

After a consecutive run of several hundred days and nights as an imposer, Capt. Chas. F. Garrette was transferred to the Proof Division as a reviser on Tuesday. While we sincerely regret to chronicle the first break in the Big 3, we would congratulate Chief Robinson upon the acquisition of a most excellent workman and companionable gentleman. A worthy recognition of a veteran of the civil war. Our loss, etc.

Senate Secretary Myers, of the National Union, was a "front office" visitor last Friday, stopping off between trains upon the earnest solicitation of President Wm. Briggs, visited McKinley Council, and witnessed *forty-eight* new members being initiated. Friend Myers has hosts of friends in Washington, not confined exclusively to the Government Printing Office, who are always pleased to give him the glad hand.

On Saturday last, Col. Tom M. Lawler, of Sunbury, Pa., and prothonatary-elect of Northumberland County, paid the G. P O. a visit. Notwithstanding the county has frequently been carried by the Republicans, Tom won easily "hands down." The pay per annum equals the salary of the Public Printer, and a three-years term, with a re-election to a second term. Tom was time-keeper on the First Division night, during Charlie Holmes engagement, during Hon. Thos. E. Benedict's administration. Always glad to learn of the prosperity of our fellow-craftsman of whatever political complexion.

The three lucky men who attended the regular monthly meeting of the G. P. O. Council, No. 211, National Union, in Pythian Temple last Saturday night, were Messrs. Le Bufie and Lee, of the G. P. O., and John H. O'Brien of 4-11-44 F street northwest. Each drew a winning card that called for a ten-pound turkey delivered at his residence on Thanksgiving eve. Didn't cost a cent. The Council paid for the sport. A similar pleasurable evening will take place in the same hall the last Saturday night in the old year. Go early and secure your seat. This is the second time that Mr. O'Brien won out on the turkey incident.

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Lest you forget it, there will be "something doing" at the December meeting of the G. P. O. Council, No. 211, National Union. Sure enough turkeys are to be distributed, along with cigars and receipts for quarterly dues—all as free as the air we breathe.

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In the bivouac of life,
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ROUGH WRITER.

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Sixth Division.

"Star Bad Boy" is the name of an employer of Uncle Sam, as noted in the Blue Book Index. He is probably a "Star Bad Boy" in name only, as the real star bad boy of Uncle Sam's aggregation has just been convicted of unlawful practice in a court in St. Louis.

Alex. M. Allison, formerly of the G. P. O., who went to Manila some few years ago as a printer in the Government service, but who was later transferred to the customs service, has resigned and is now engaged in the electrical business in the Philippine capital. Post cards recently received by some of his friends in the G. P. O. show that he is touring China and Japan on a pleasure trip.

At her studio, 73 Rhode Island avenue northwest, on last Saturday night, Bessie N. Wild gave the first of her monthly musical recitals, which is reported as being very successful. Mrs. Wild, who is the wife of E. N. Wild, of the First Division, will be the accompanist at next Sunday's memorial service, and among the talent who will be heard on that occasion are a number of her pupils, the children of G. P. O. employees.

Governor Montague, of Virginia, has ordered the superintendent of printing to investigate and report on the cost of establishing and maintaining a State Printing Office. Virginia also has a judge who does not believe there is anything in the Constitution to warrant him to forbid men from holding a conversation with each other, no matter for whom they may work. Virginians have reason to be proud, even if they do live in Alexandria.

The newspapers announced last week that "Pink" Hilton, a local printer of prominence, and Lanston operator, had brought suit against the Lanston Monotype Company for $500 damages. Mr. Hilton was possessed of a Lanston machine some few months ago and doing work for the trade, but through a legal maneuver on the part of the company the machine was taken from him. Theo. Rupli and the well-known printer-lawyer, Chas. Ennis, are his attorneys.

Among the callers in this Division on Saturday were Chas. Glenn, of Allegheny, Pa., and Mrs. W. G. Glenn, of this city, father and wife of William H. Glenn, of the Second Division. Mr. Glenn, sr., is a printer of the old school, and his print shop reminiscences go back to sixty years ago when the candle dip and the hand press were the printer's crude implements used in the display of his talents, and when the talk of a future Hoe or a Mergenthaler would have been considered as foolish as was Jules Verne's "Two Thousand Leagues under the Sea" at the time of its writing. Foreman H. W. Bowen, of the First Division, acted as guide.

Glancing over Sunday's newspaper, I discovered that Richard Powers, a recent Sixth Division operator, and a very likely member of the next *Record* force, has been awarded a prize as a shoot artist in the District Guard. In fact, in two events he was a prize winner—one the beginners' match, and the other for a prize donated by the merchants. Another member of the Sixth, Will Mattox, is mentioned as winning the title of expert marksman. But I am not surprised at Mr. Mattox's record, for he is an ex-Rough Rider, hails from Arizona, and is said to be excellent on "long shots." The battery is not without its famous ones, and the following members and ex-members of this Division are mentioned: E. M. Nevils, C. E. Pendarvis, Louis Vogt, and C. F. Mullen.

Tom M. Lawler, an ex-downtown printer, and a one-time assistant foreman on the Night Bill Force during the Benedict administration, visited the G. P. O. on Saturday. Mr. Lawler is now a prosperous business man of Sunbury, Pa., and holds the office of prothonotary with a salary of $4,500 per year attached. Although not engaged in the printing business, on his arrival at Sunbury, Mr. Lawler interested himself in the printer's condition and organized the Sunbury Union, which he now claims as his own. One of the obstacles he struck while at work organizing the union was a proprietor who insisted that a lady employed in his shop should not receive as much pay as a man, but Lawler insisted and gained his point. Mr. Lawler also rented his residence from this same proprietor, and when the latter finally consented to pay the girl the same as the men, told Lawlor he would have to stand the increase in salary by a similar increase in rent. Mr. Lawler still stands the increase, but the girl gets the pay.

CHAS. S. GUNN.

A Correction.

In the minutes of proceedings of the Central Labor Union, published in the last issue of THE TRADES UNIONIST, a delegate from Plumbers Union, No. 5, reported Philip J. Roche, 1335 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, as having his saloon and bowling alleys refurnished, and using non-union plumbers and tile layers. On further investigation the business agent of Plumbers Union, No. 5, discovered that the repairs were being made by the owner of the building and that Mr. Roche should be held blameless in the matter.

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In a communication to this office, Mrs. Gitterman says:

My Dear Editor:—Last year you were kind enough to publish a list of Free Lectures to the People in full in your paper. I shall be very glad if you will give this year's first course space in your columns.

I take pleasure in enclosing to you copy of my first annual report on Free Lectures to People, extracts of which I should be very grateful to you if you would print in your paper. I also desire to show you how splendidly the working people, in proportion to the entire population of the District, responded to the Free Lecture Movement by the following comparison of figures:

Initial year—
New York: 1888-1889, total attendance.. 22,149
Washington: 1904-05, total attendance.. 15,788
Number of lectures—
New York.... .. 186 Washington 66
Number of centers—
New York..... 6 Washington 6
Initial amount appropriated—
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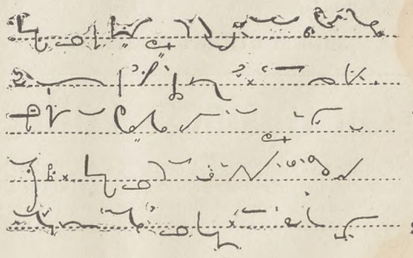

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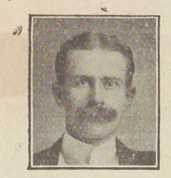

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It does seem strange indeed how tight society draws the line between man and woman. Recent disclosures in the business and society world has only again demonstrated that the man may be guilty of every offense that the decalogue forbids, and society will forgive him without any show of repentance on the part of the offender, forgive and welcome the offender with all the marks of sin fresh upon him, but the woman who sins through confidence and love, and who fails in hiding her shame and sin from the world is condemned and scorned with a bitterness as pitiless as hell.

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Reserves	39	23	16	.590
Index	36	20	16	.556
Aldines	36	18	18	.500
Commercials	39	19	20	.487
Moroccos	36	17	19	.472
Cow Boys	39	17	22	.436
Pressmen	39	14	25	.358

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Walsh	36	6249	173.21
Atkins	33	5677	172.1
Carey	36	6140	170.20
Brown	36	6123	170.3
Glade	30	5053	168.13
O'Connell	32	5377	168.1
Williams (Com.)	36	5968	165.28
Powers	36	5967	165.27
Long	27	4474	165.19
Crass	36	5958	165.18
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Kukart	7	882	126
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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

Smoker Next Monday—John Lynch, Master Horseshoer, Now Fair.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.15 p. m. on Monday, President McCarthy in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Musicians: James C. Callan, vice Wm. Huntress.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5: Wm. Marston, R. V. Frankhousen, Wm. Carpenter, and S. J. Bryan.

Bill of THE TRADES UNIONIST was ordered paid, and on recommendation of Auditing Committee that the advertisement of Grogan and Artz as unfair and the Union Label Goods advertisement be discontinued, it was so ordered.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Local No. 413, Boot and Shoe Workers Union, Mayaguez, Porto Rico, reciting the trouble encountered with the employes in endeavoring to build up a union, and asking for financial aid to help establish a co-operative shop for the discharged members of that Local. Referred to Boot and Shoe Workers International Union.

From A. Drouin, late secretary of Cooks Union, No. 767, stating that that Union had passed out of existence. Placed on file.

From Atlanta Federation of Trades, Atlanta, Ga., calling attention to fact that the Blue Ridge Marble Co., of Nelson, Ga., an unfair firm, is furnishing marble for a proposed new bank building in this city. Referred to Stone and Marble Cutters Union.

From F. C. Roberts, a member of the Label Committee, stating that as he is now employed at night he can not attend sessions of the central body, but volunteers any service that he can perform during the day. Placed on file.

INDORSEMENTS.

The following Unions have indorsed action of central body in placing Dave Wolf, shoe dealer, 432 Seventh street northwest, on the unfair list:

Columbia Lodge of Machinists, No. 174.

Theatrical Protective Union, No. 22.

Beer Drivers and Stablemen Union, No. 234. Fine, $5.00.

Bakers Union, No. 118. Fine $2.00.

The following Unions, have indorsed the action of the central body in placing Winfield S. Jenks, stove dealer, 717 Seventh street northwest, on the unfair list:

Theatrical Protective Union, No. 22.

Beer Drivers and Stablemen Union, No. 234. Fine, $5.00.

Bakers Union, No. 118. Fine $2.00.

Relative to placing Samuel S. Gain, master horseshoer, rear 1448 P street northwest, on unfair list, Beer Drivers and Stablemen Union, No. 234, requested all its members to observe whether any union drivers took horses to that shop for shoeing.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Amalgamated Carpenters, Branch No. 1: Delegate Adams called attention to the report made at last meeting by a delegate from Columbia Typographical Union, relative to the charge of Carpenters Union that a member of that Union was using scab labor on remodeling a building, and on motion the secretary was directed to refer the matter to Columbia Typographical Union. with a statement of the case.

Amalgamated Carpenters, Branch No. 2: A delegate also reported another member of Columbia Typographical Union for employing a nonunion contractor, and, on motion, the case was also referred to Columbia Typographical Union.

Bakers: Delegate Weber reported that on complaint of Retail Grocery Clerks Union some members of Bakers Union were requested to observe the early closing rules of Grocery Clerks Union or forfeit their membership in Bakers Union.

Horseshoers: Delegate Hessen, on behalf of Horseshoers Union, expressed the gratitude of that Union for assistance given in the fight of that Union for increased pay and for purchase of tickets to their entertainment and ball. Delegate Hessen also reported that John Lynch, master horseshoer, 3219 Prospect avenue, had unionized his shop, and asked that he be taken from the unfair list. The request was granted.

Musicians: Called attention to their union label card and requested that members of organizations call for same when employing musicians and attending places of amusement where music is used. Also reported that music would be furnished for smoker next Monday evening.

Retail Clerks: Called attention to Dave Wolf and S. Rosenberg being on the unfair list. Also, that the report that C. Auerbach & Son had signed a contract was an error.

Grocery Clerks: Delegate Pfau, for that organization, thanked the central body for its aid in assisting the Grocery Clerks Union to sign up stores.

Sheet Metal Workers: That W. E. Speir was constructing a bank building at Fourteenth and U streets northwest, and was employing nonunion labor. The secretary was directed to communicate with Mr. Spier and request that he employ union labor.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Smoker reported that all preparations had been made for the smoker next Monday. They request that the Union convene at 7.15 on that night and adjourn for the smoker at 8 p. m. The request was granted.

Special Committee on Standard Sewing Machine reported progress.

Delegate Colpoys submitted the following amendment to the Constitution, which was read and laid over to subsequent meeting:

Amend Article II to read: No money shall be appropriated for any purpose, other than legitimate expenses, except by a two-thirds vote.

Hod Carriers' Union, No. 21.

At the last regular meeting of Hod Carriers' Union, No. 21, held at 708 O street northwest, the election of two representatives to the International Convention was the special order of business for 9 o'clock.

A good attendance of about 269 members were present, all anxious to elect their candidate. As Thomas Johnson and Moses Peyton received the highest number of votes they were declared elected delegates, after which some talk was indulged in under good and welfare of the Union.

Brother Squire Gilmore read an interesting paper, which enthused every one. It was decided to go into detail next Thursday night at the special meeting when all members are requested to be present.

Brother Moses Peyton read a paper, and it was agreed that it should be given to the press. He said:

Brother Members of Hod Carriers' and Building Laborers' Union, No. 21: There is one economic question that concerns us most. Some of the thinkers of our city as well as in other places contend that the colored or unskilled laborer has no right in the ranks of Organized Labor; that their introduction would result more in harm to the skilled workman than good to the cause. I have come to the conclusion that the colored or unskilled men, especially the hod carriers and building laborers of Local Union No. 21, are most desirous of being good Americans. They stand ready to do their share in the great task of helping to emancipate the workingman from the bondage of that slavery which causes a constant decrease of wages and an increase in living. This can only be stopped by a strong push all together, shoulder to shoulder, without regard to skilled, unskilled, race, color or creed. Brethren, we may be considered zero, but we are a factor in this great problem of Organized Labor just the same. No problem is complete if a single factor is left out, even if it is zero. No woman can be a successful housewife without a dishcloth, though it is an insignificant cloth, yet it is as necessary as the sheet, quilt, or table cloth, and without it housekeeping is not complete.

A foreman who has charge of a good job in this city said to a committee a few days ago: "Gentlemen, I can not treat with that black man as a Unionist, because I am from the South." I suppose he thinks like the woman at the well, when she said: "The Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans." But she found out that the time had come for but one Lord and one Christ. Let me say for No. 21 and all other colored and unskilled laborers, that we do not care and will not ask of our white brother to drink with him of his wine; smoke with him of his cigars; nor do we even want to dine with him and his guests at their banquets. But there is little or no question about our willingness to do our little mite with him in helping to further the cause of Organized Labor.

Brethren, you have had success in the past. If you want success in the future you must continue to be conservative and honest men to yourselves, your God, your family, your country, and your employers. Continue to do whatever duty is at your hand carefully, correctly, and willingly and then you can continue to demand respect, hours, conditions, and wages.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Newsy Notes of Interest to Workers in the Naval Gun Factory.

Foreman M. A. Lynch's trip did not do him much good physically. As soon as he returned he was compelled to take a vacation owing to sickness.

Sir William Winklemann, the comedian of the E. G. C. Shop, has tendered his resignation as an employee of the Naval Gun Factory to accept a position on the police force in Panama.

Master Mechanic Sam Bates is sitting on the lid, using all his might to hold the general foreman's place down which he is temporarily filling. Sam is not classed among the heavyweights, but in my opinion he can hold anything down in the mechanical line.

W. F. Brown, one of the trustees of Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. of M., is seriously ill, suffering with bladder and kidney affection. He is to be operated on shortly, and I know that I express the wish of every member of the Lodge that the operation will be successful and he be restored to health.

The boys in the Yard, at least the most of them, enjoyed their Thanksgiving dinner after 4 p. m., as there was an urgent call to work that day. Uncle Sam was very generous, however, as he allowed them time-and-a-half, besides their pay for the holiday. There is nothing mean in the old gentleman, particularly when he is feeling good himself.

Trades unionism and the label are spreading out. Even down at Indian Head, the Naval Proving Grounds, the merchants are endeavoring to secure everything bearing the label. Mr. F. E. Mattingly, who conducts the largest store in that vicinity, is very enthusiastic as regards the label and will handle no goods without it. I think some of our city merchants might draw a lesson from that enterprising merchant way down in old Charles County. It seems to me that some of our country stores are leading our city friends in progressive ideas.

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International First Vice-President Conlon was a visitor in the Yard one day this week. Pete was all smiles as the boys congratulated him on his reelection for the sixth time. He is always a welcome guest, either in the lodge room or in the shop.

I have a joke on Pete which is too good to keep from the boys. We were walking up the Avenue the other evening when our attention was called to four bootblacks, who were huddled together in a doorway eagerly discussing something of great importance, which, upon investigation, proved to be a much handled "chunk of taffy."

In astonishment, Pete inquired what they were doing. Close questioning elicited an explanation that "de one dat tells the biggest lie wins de chunk."

"I am ashamed of you," said Pete, "when I was a small boy like you I never told a lie."

A ray of intelligence crossed the face of the one who was holding the "chunk," and, turning to his companions, said, "Boys, youse all lose," and extending his hand toward Conlon remarked, "Take de chunk."

I promised that I would keep the matter a secret, and I have kept my promise.

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One of the most potent reasons for municipal ownership is found in the gas bills for the past month. The great majority of householders will wonder at the excess, forgetting the fact that the season is at hand to provide for the semi-annual dividends. What else can one expect from a monopoly when the honorable Commissioners will not allow a competitor in the field. When municipal ownership wins this state of affairs will be changed and not before. To this end let trades unionists use every effort to advance its growth.

I am informed that a prominent politician in New York city, who is also a collector of coins, is sorely grieved because some unscrupulous person had the audacity to purloin one of the sacred (God save the mark) coins that at one time was found in the pocket of the late Judas Iscariot as his reward for the part he played in a certain transaction some years ago. This should be a warning to certain gentlemen on the "Hill" who claim to possess an inheritance from another biblical personage of note by the name of "Ananias," at least you would think so when they are approached on a labor question.

Commencing with the beginning of the present year several landlords on the east side of New York formed a combine to raise the rent fifty cents a month every time there was a visit of the traditional stork to one of their tenants. When four families that have each been adding an additional member at the rate of one a year refused to submit to the raise and appealed to the law, the learned judge, who no doubt was coerced by his capitalistic supporters, decided that the visit of the stork being legal it necessarily carried with it the baby's rent, and that it must be paid or the premises vacated. Was there ever a more obnoxious decision tendered by a Russian autocrat. And this in enlightened America in the twentieth century of its advancement toward civilization. When workingmen vote right and see that their vote is counted right, then and not till then will such men as Judge Worcester and such decisions be a rarebit dream and not a cruel reality.

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Fred Smith, the eloquent speaker of the Y. M. C. A., and Commissioner Macfarland were the orators at the noonday open religious services in the Yard last week. There was a large attendance of the workmen at both meetings.

Both gentlemen gave some good and wholesome advice to the boys, particularly that part which referred to the wasting of their money, unnecessarily spent in the rum mills outside the gate.

Whether the appeals made by the two temperance advocates found only a temporary lodgment in the breasts of their hearers I am not in a position to state. My only wish is that it will be a permanent one, as I am a strong believer in the doctrine of temperance.

We were of the opinion that, as we have several ministers with us in the shops working as craftsmen, that we were well provided with spiritual advice, but it appears by the visit of Bro. Smith and my esteemed friend Parson Macfarland that we are not. All I can say is that we will welcome them any time they chose to come, provided that Commissioner Macfarland trains a little more in the materialistic, and leaves the sentimental to Bro. Smith, while the spiritual welfare is left to the ministers. I say this confidentially as I very much fear that a committee from the Ministers' Association will have him indicted before the Chief Magistrate for interfering with their trade when he does not carry a working card in that association.

A word to the wise is sufficient.

TIM TICKLE

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

Were the Public Printer's knowledge of the inhabitants of the big building and its branches limited to that gained by reading the "ability" articles of the city papers he must perforce entertain the idea that the members of his happy family were "sharks," "grafters," "bunco steerers," and the like. Comparison is the only means mortals have for making deductions and drawing conclusions. If the day before the Public Printer makes that promised inspection tour of the premises he should devote his noon hour to a walk through any of the down-town departments he will find the flaunting, high-heeled Corridor Trotter in evidence, with each nook a trysting place. He will discover a lot of men, old enough to know better, endeavoring to la da de la with the ladies, after the style of Captain De Wellington Boots. Next day he will walk through the corridors of the establishment over which he presides. He will meet a few mature matrons, whose whitened temples proclaim a passing into the stage of the withered leaf and upon whose tympanum the endearment "Grandma" falls with more grace than "Sweetheart." The male bird has flown. He may be smoother than his higher salaried brother and does not care to play so close to base. Comparisons may be odious; in this case they will be creditable to the institution visited last.

H. S. SUTTON.

A THANKSGIVING "HUNT."

The True Story of How Clothes Set Price, But Didn't Make the Man.

[W. N. Brockwell, in Greensboro (N. C.) *Daily Industrial News.*]

It happened more than a dozen years ago, but it requires very little "conjuration" to bring up the actors to my mental vision this frosty night. I was still quite young, though I had successfully passed that dangerous time known as the "vealy period." However, I still had lots of faith in human nature, and it was quite often that I actually believed things that were told me without demanding proof. But the incident about to be related made great holes in my human faith department and considerably stiffened my proof-demanding proclivities. I am digressing, though.

It was Thanksgiving Day. I had a holiday; so did my room mate and boon companion, for we worked for the fine old employer called Uncle Sam. We were both bachelors, and, like hundreds of sojourners here, we rented a couple of furnished rooms and got our meals wherever our convenience dictated—now here and now there—when we had the price. We were dissatisfied with our quarters, and for some time had contemplated a change. So we decided to utilize this Thanksgiving in room-hunting explorations. With our list of "For rent—elegantly furnished rooms" clipped from a daily paper we started on our memorable hunt. I was neither a Congressman, nor even a second cousin of one of that well-fed tribe. Ditto my chum. We were not even private secretaries or third assistants to the 'Steenth Secretary of the Ulsterior. We were just ordinary everyday printers who had been fortunate enough to connect with Uncle Sam's pay roll. But we did wear pretty good clothes. Hence these tears.

The first rooming house we called at was in situation much to our liking, though the landlady who ushered us in and proceeded to "show the goods" did have a rather fishy eye and there was a faint odor of cabbage and onions lingering in the hallways. The rooms were all right, though, and both of us at once mentally resolved to clinch the trade, cabbage or no cabbage.

"How much for the two rooms, madam?" I asked.

The fishy eyes started a tour of inspection at the plug hat on my head and placidly continued till the tips of my shoes were reached, halting a little suspiciously as my forty-cent diamond and plated chain came in range. Then the eyes traveled a bit proudly over the room and settled on my companion for another tour of inspection. This concluded, she told us of the many advantages of the place—and some of them were sure thrilling—ending with the statement that we could come in at forty dollars per month—marked down from fifty. The latter concessions, she told us, was because she had sized us up as "first-class people," at which I blushed a rosy red, but inwardly developed a financial panic which was equal to Black Friday and the "Crime of '73" rolled into one. As our limit was about fifteen simoleons, my chum's ruddy color at once turned a hue so ashy that I feared the "elegantly furnished rooms" were about to be turned into an impromptu morgue, and visions of the dead wagon and the coroner took possession of my mind. With a supreme effort I pulled myself together, admired the rooms with an extravagance that only those fishy eyes could have invoked, told the lady that she would doubtless hear from us in a few hours, and then, with a bow that would have made old Mr. Chesterfield bump himself in his coffin, I backed out of the house and escaped. Dear old sister, she hasn't heard from us yet, and that was so long ago that it makes me feel old to recall it.

As we started for the next rendezvous, my companion began to "come to," although still breathing very hard and occasionally clutching at the fence and things for support. I, too, was greatly stirred, but I am one of those heroic souls who generally suffer in silence.

"Well, Nat," I said as quietly as possible, "what do you think about it? Shall we take them?"

"Shall we take them? Why, Buck, are you crazy? Forty dollars a month for a place to sleep in! Forty dollars a month!" he screamed with a maniac gleam in his off eye and a vengeful glare at me from the other. "Why, great God, man, you can buy a young farm for that much money in North Carolina, especially in Randolph County."

It took a whiskey straight, two beers, and a big black cigar to quiet his nerves, and then we went at opportunity number two, which proved another nerve shaker, but we were bracing ourselves with fortitude—and other things—and the second collapse was not so bad. The forty dollar scale were the terms offered—I should more properly say "condescended," for these people were of the "quality." You stumbled over pedigrees in their halls and rooms; they had ancestors to burn and distinguished connections to throw at English sparrows. But they wanted the coin, and forty plunks was too big a deal for us. So we again departed, the last thing that we heard being that those were the cheapest eligible rooms in Washington—any Congressman would tell us that. Somehow all of these room keepers keep lugging in Congressmen—a thing which I marveled much at.

By this time Nat was again fuming. "What in thunder has a Congressman to do with this thing? And why in the world did you stand there for a mortal half hour listening to the twitter of that old dame about her family?"

I endeavored to sooth him, and to cool his fierce Southern blood I suggested that a gin ricky might not be amiss. It was not, and he took it, along with another black cigar.

"Now," said I, "at the next place you are to be the spokesman." He was, but the game was pretty much the same; prices ditto. At this place, however, the lady of the house offered as a special inducement the free use of the piano and also volunteered to donate a table "which your secretary," she said, "can use for his typewriting machine." That sounded funny to me, because Nat had no secretary, no typewriter, and was never guilty of being able to play a jews-harp, much less a grand piano. I never could play but one thing, and I've played that so persistently and so insistently and so often that I don't like to think about it, for it commences with a big black "D"

It was fierce work, but we were a rather game pair in those days, and besides we were determined to get new quarters that day if possible. At the end of a dozen examinations—and I might add financial flutterings—I suggested that we call it a day's work and go in search of our thanksgiving dinner.

"No," said Nat, "we'll tackle one more, and I think we'll get results, even if thirteen is an unlucky number." So once more we took up the room hunter's burden. It was a stately old house that we approached, located on one of the lettered streets of the beautiful northwest section of the city, and thoughts of ante-bellum grandeur flashed through my mind as I took in the surroundings and the house, both of which showed unmistakable signs of past wealth and refinement and present poverty and neglect. A very ancient lady of African lineage answered our ring and we were soon in the presence of the lady who wanted to rent the rooms. She was of the distant past—of the past pasty, I might say. But the ante-bellum grandeur and refinement was all on the outside of that establishment, though the rooms offered were comfortably furnished. The landlady's business idea certainly did not comport with her appearance, for her money-getting faculties were as keenly alive as any Baxter street merchant this scribe has ever met, and he has encountered several. When she named her price for the two rooms Nat's face once more assumed that ashen hue, but he was entirely capable of talking, and talk he did.

"Madam," he said, "we are not capitalists seeking to buy this property; neither are we members of the President's Cabinet. We are——"

Here the lady broke in most pleasantly with the remark: "I presume not, but you are gentlemen, and you want good rooms, and surely you do not object to paying a fair price."

Nat stood and looked at her, and a sudden thought seemed to flash into his mind. Then, in his most suave manner, he said: "Pardon me, but whom do you presume me to be?"

"Sir," she said, "I do not presume in this case. I know you to be a newly arrived Congressman, and this young man, (pointing to me) "to be your secretary. Am I not correct?"

"No, madam, you are not. I am an employe of the Government, a printer by trade, and so is this man with me, and we want a place to do our sleeping in at about the rate of fifteen dollars per month."

I still remember the withering look that dear old woman cast upon Nat and in due turn passed down to me as she turned us over to the African lady to be "shown out." But her withering looks were lost on me. My troubles were all over and my fun had commenced. The feline was out of the sack. All that blessed Thanksgiving Day Nat had been taken as a new Congressman and I had been billed as his secretary. Hence these top-notch prices, it being the way of the landlord tribe in this corner of the vineyard to put on all the traffic will bear. I laughed so much that I was sore-chested for several days. Nat took the matter rather grouchily, but I do not think he should have done so, for was he not featured as the Congressman, while I was cast in the role of the secretary—the fellow who does most of the work, gets none of the credit, and has to take most of the cussing of Congressional life?

"Well," said Nat, testily, as he sat before the fire that November night, "if it hadn't been for that d—d plug hat and fake diamond of yours, along with your outrageously good clothes, we might have accomplished our purpose today."

"Yes," I replied, "but how about those loud kid gloves of yours? Don't you ever go back to Randolph County and carry those things with you, for if you do you'll be lynched."

And then the lights went out.

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JACK LONDON is a queer name for a man who has not a fog about him.

LOW wages engender discontent and impair the civic health of a community.

IT IS always fly time in Panama, and yet we are still waiting to see the dirt fly on the Isthmus.

A SEARCHLIGHT of about $20,000,000-graft-power should be turned continually in the direction of Panama.

IT WOULD be a relief to know how welcome the Presidential Bee is to the aroma of Speaker CANNON'S cigar.

THE Russian ship of state just now seems to resemble the black hulled rakish-looking craft we used to read about.

MR. MUDD has introduced a bill to provide for dredging the Eastern Branch. There's something in a name after all.

ALTHOUGH somewhat discredited as a warrior in recent years, the Sultan appears to think that diplomacy is still spelled with a big D.

IN CONNECTION with the construction of the Panama Canal it is to be hoped that the expression "dirt cheap," will have no twisted significance.

THOSE who strive to maintain a long workday in this age of machinery are held in contempt by most thoughtful men outside of their own mercenary circle.

REPRESENTATIVE WILEY of New Jersey wants to have a bill passed providing for clean money. Yes; that's it. Give us clean money, but money by all means.

RATE-REGULATION is still under consideration by the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce, and it is still predicted that "some sort of a bill" will be passed.

THE Baltimore *American* remarks that with the coming of Congress Washington becomes for awhile "the hub of the United States." Our esteemed contemporary probably intended to say "hubbub."

WE WOULD like to insist and keep on insisting that the modern unionist does not think to change conditions in the industrial world without regard to the welfare of the community at large. What labor organizations desire is that the growth of the workingman's prosperity shall keep pace with that of the civilization of which he is a part. In the case of the work-day, for instance, we consider it barbaric ignoraunce to apply any cast-iron limitation. As the hours of relaxation of other classes increase let those of the workingman increase also. This is simple justice, and besides it is the best kind of public policy.

Concerning The Hired Man.

When the various open-shop organizations have insisted that the workingman should have unlimited freedom to work an unlimited number of hours per day, we have been wont to become real angry and answer them without any special endeavor to conceal our contempt for the position. They are products of a material age and their arguments are founded, as we believe, in the rankest selfishness, so that no sentimental weakness need actuate the union writer in dealing with them. But recently an open-shop pronunciamento has appeared, which touches a minor chord and claims the passing tribute of a pensive sigh.

At Atlantic City the other day the National Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry adopted a resolution declaring "that we as American citizens believe it is every man's privilege to work as many hours as he wills for pay; that energy, thrift, and activity are entitled to encouragement and should command rightful compensation for services rendered."

The Patrons of Husbandry are entitled to polite attention and decent consideration as a musty but picturesque survival of a time when the term "truly rural" really meant something and didn't suggest wired whiskers and gold bricks. Without very much strain on the intellect it is possible for any real bucolic Patron to trace himself back to the days when "Adam delved and Eve span," and it is easy to understand the spirit in which the Patrons as a body have spread themselves upon the record in opposition to restrictions on the time-honored privilege of working from sun to sun, with an hour or so of daybreak and gloaming thrown in for good measure. It is the spirit of a time when the pastoral poem soothed our forefathers with the bleat of young lambs on grassy slopes and of babbling brooks in dusky dingles, and before luxurious mechanics and pampered factory hands and coal miners had interfered with the natural order of things.

As an illustration of the simple life of that day, the rural "hired man" of New England is instructive. With their thoughts fixed on the passing figure of the hired man, blithely working as many hours as he darn pleases, it is no wonder that the Patrons of Husbandry resoluted as they did.

To begin with the hired man was an early riser. Often before the birds had begun to twitter he was afoot and had drenched his whiskers in a tin basin of clear cold water from the old oaken bucket which hung in the well. The stars were not all quenched when he commenced his jocund round of toil, and so his spiritual nature had a chance to expand and glow in the seraphic radiance of the dappled dawn—a point to which the Patrons have no doubt given due weight in their consideration of the workday question. But the hired man didn't waste time in thoughts about the subtle influence of the stars. He merely let it ooze promiscuous into his soul and, with the gay abandon of unlimited freedom and a pair of rawhide boots, clomped right merrily to the cow barn and milked the lowing herd. Then, ere the sun had plucked the dewdrops from the grass he ate his breakfast, watered the stock, and attended to numerous other tasks preliminary to his work afield. Here he passed the day, with an interval for the midday meal, until well on toward nightfall, engaged in services for which he "should command rightful compensation." After supper he split a cord or so of wood, again milked the cows, and repeated the other chores with which the happy morning hours had been whiled away. And, then, for fear he had not shown proper appreciation of the privilege of working "as many many hours as he willed for pay," he sometimes made good use of the early lamplight mending a broken harness or dutifully attending to other accidental details of bucolic industry. By this time he had developed a good old healthy tired feeling and ascended to his bed room, where he read a chapter in the Bible, oiled his boots, and, with a prayer of thankfulness for the privilege of working as many hours as he would for pay, hit his feather bed and the sleep of innocence at one and the same time.

Nay, nay, gents; we do not propose to break in upon this scene of pastoral beatitude with undue levity and words of raucous scorn. The hired man, as we knew him, will soon be as negligible as the buffalo. He was a likeable and in some respects an heroic individual, although it is true that the soulful repose of his Sundays was sometimes more or less broken up by the abnormal constraint of a boiled shirt. Let the Patrons dream their dream. Amid the hard conditions of modern life, it is touching to find them throwing out the life line in what we fear is a futile attempt to rescue their faithful friend and servitor from unholy thoughts which probe into the more material aspects of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

The paper has been so well supplied with good stuff during my rest that I have almost determined to ask Editor Ring for another thirty days. But it is as easy to break in at one time as another. Mr. Flourney Catesby Roberts has been indulging in some ripe and rich reflections. Tim Tickle was never in better form. Rough Writer weekly demonstrates that he is really a smooth article. Sonny Gunn effervesced and scintillated in every issue. "Jottings by John Jottinger" alone were worth the price of admission. "Homme Vrai," though not to be entirely relied on, was the real stuff when he did get in. "Maude S" was the pepper, salt, mustard, and other condiments so necessary to the salad. Of course it is a sweet sorrow to realize that you are not missed, but none of us make a hole in life's sea that endures any longer than we occupy it.

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I recently received an invitation for myself and ladies to attend the annual reception and ball of Chicago Typographical Union, No. 16, which took place yesterday (December 6). Among the committee I find our former associate and ancient college chum, John M. ("Circus") McGowan, as chairman of the Social Features Committee.

Some weeks ago I received cards of the marriage of Dr. J. L. Smith and Miss Jessie Mill, daughter of my old friend Billy Mill and Mrs. Mill, at Chicago, November 15. Mrs. Smith is a beautiful girl and inherited her father's quick-witted and sprightly spirit. I wish them all happiness, though a little late.

Early in November I received the honor of being elected a corresponding member of Chicago Proofreaders, having had my name presented by my friend Henry Rush Boss, ex-president of the society. This is a society that meets once a month for mutual benefit and sociability, and is composed of the best of the proofreading talent of that city. I appreciate very highly the compliment of being elected a member.

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The rot that has been printed recently in the city papers about the Government Printing Office was enough to "make one sick to his stomach" who knew anything about the facts, but it is not a patch to what the Texas papers have been printing, according to a correspondent of mine, Billy Wilkinson. "Graft" has been the burden of their song, when there is about as much "graft" and as many opportunities for that industry as there are in a country school district If there is an institution of the Government where the employees earn their money it is the Government Printing Office, as some have learned who have come here for a "snap." They find on arrival that they have nothing to do—but work. By the way, Wilkinson recently heard of a new way of silencing the hoots of an owl, which he practiced on one who was telling his troubles to the moon in too close proximity to his open window for comfort. Going out to "shoo" it away with the aid of a few small stones, he met an old colored "aunty" of the neighborhood.

"Sho! Mr. Wickson," said she, "yo' want to git that ole crow outen dat tree? Dat's easy! Yo' jes' tu'n yo' pockets inside out an' he go right off and won't pester yo' no mo. Yo' jes' try!"

Says Wilkinson: "As the pockets were empty, this seemed easy enough and worth trying; so to please the old girl I turned my coat and trousers pockets out just as the owl had emitted what seemed to be its masterpiece. Now, you may believe it or not, but that vocal effort was its last; I have heard no more of it since. Whether its vocal chords were strained or it went away in disgust at the spectacle of me standing there in the moonlight with my pockets transposed I have no means of knowing; but I am not concerned as to the cause—the effect was all right."

He suggests that, by way of imitation, we might turn our pockets inside out as an answer to the owls who are hooting "Graft!" at us. But owl hoots have no permanent ill effect and never make a lasting impression.

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Never use the term "closed shop." "Union shop" is the only appropriate antithesis of "open shop," of which "scab shop" is the proper name.

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It is not often that a proofreader is promoted. Therefore the greater pleasure in announcing that Charles B. Buchanan is assistant foreman and copy cutter of the *Record*.

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The World's Work (Doubleface, Rage & Co., New York), in a recent advertising card, offer the following as one of the attractions for December and the year to come:

THE FIGHT FOR THE OPEN SHOP.

After a riot in labor excesses for several years, the working world is regaining its freedom and its common sense. The report of the victories recently won for the open shop in every part of the country, made by Mr. Isaac F. Marcosson in the December issue of *The World's Work*, will be followed by other articles. They will be written in sympathy with the men who themselves work both employers and employed.

The original had a dash before the last four words, but it is so manifestly unnecessary that I have omitted it.

"The open shop" is a fair-sounding term to those who have no knowledge of the intention of its advocates, but it means the non-union shop, the unfair shop, the "scab" shop—the "rat shop" in printers' parlance. It is only advocated by those who are opposed to all unionism in order that they may oppress their employes individually, being unable to do it collectively. It means the abolition of union shop rules, which preserve equality; it means the destruction of union wages and reduction; it means the disruption of the union itself, and it is intended to mean that alone, though seeking to hide its purpose.

Trying to push back the sea with a broom was a sensible undertaking compared with attempting to stem the tide of unionism, which is growing in strength every minute. It is true that there are a few great corporations that have prevented their employes from becoming unionists, but bear in mind this indisputable fact: Every one of them has to keep close to union conditions in order to retain its men. They can only get their employes under the conditions in which they want them by the destruction of all unionism, and well they know this.

By the way, what are "the victories recently won for the open shop in every part of the country?" I am a pretty close reader and I never heard of them, and I am sure I would have if there had been any to read about.

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Joe Johnson is pleased with his new job as proofreader on the *Post*.

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The memorial services of Columbia Union in honor of her deceased members last Sunday were well worthy of the occasion, the committee in charge, Messrs. Philip S. Steele, H. W. Weber, E. S. Wild, Harry O'Donnell, and Wiley H. Davis, having prepared a splendid programme. As the orator of the day, "Judge" Charles H. Ennis gave us an excellent address—the best of the many good ones I have heard him deliver. John J. Ottinger read the poem of R. A. Johnson so as to bring out all there was in it. The male quartette, composed of Messrs. Douglas G. Miller (a former printer), first tenor; Wiley H. Davis (of the First Division), second tenor; J. Henry Kaiser, first bass, and J. Walter Humphrey, second bass, are among the best known singers of the city. Messes Nettie Pine Wallace and Deborah Louise Hickman (a granddaughter of the lamented W. H. Hickman) rendered their solos in a pleasing manner. The orchestra, of which Joseph Harrison was the director, rendered its numbers artistically. To Mrs. Bessie N. Wild, however, who arranged the musical programme and acted as accompanist, is due all credit for the success of the occasion. Philip S. Steele was an able chairman and introduced the speakers and vocalists in a manner showing his good taste. Quite a number of ex-presidents occupied the platform. As the original mover of the memorial proceedings, my friend Joe Goodkey has put the union under a debt of gratitude.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

All over—Benning races. Did you lose anything? Honest.

Logan Green, laborer, is a transfer from the Superintendent's bunch.

In the midst of all our troubles, three of the Indians have escaped from the reservation.

It was Capt. P. D Bricker, of Beaver Falls, Pa., who favored us with a call during the week.

During the week, three members of this chapel were absent at the same time owing to deaths in their families.

Why, oh, why are the Carlisle Indians the happiest members of the Chapel? Referred to Colonel Bentz, or George Town.

On Monday morning, Fred. C. Chase, a well-known down-town printer, received a temporary appointment and was assigned to slug 163.

Yes, it looks homelike again, to have Assistant Foreman of Printing Spottswood return to his office on the sixth floor. Missed him; well, yes; although there was one Bright spot remained.

More than once the poets have had something to say of a shady glen. The Glenn over in the Second is by no means one of the aforesaid kind. He is sunshiney and blithesome all day long.

The various relief societies in the office are closing the business of the old year and we have been informed that the records show that 1905 has not been marked by much sickness among the membership. A real nice amount of holiday money will be distributed one of these glad December days among the pro rata sharers.

The late John H. Peake, whose death was noticed in last week's TRADES UNIONIST was insured in the National Union for $3,000. Had been a member of G. P. O. Council the past fifteen years.

Are they? Sure, didn't certain parties go "up in the air" last Saturday evening when they thought they were overlooked in the selecting of the night jewels? They were not aeronauts, either, but they had another think.

An exceilent printer of large and varied experience, and a very worthy gentleman in every respect has been advanced to a reader and assigned to Major Robinson's day force. J. E. Colton, of the Second, is the person of whom we make mention.

From the New Orleans daily papers we learn that our young friend James Carlisle Spottswood, youngest son of Assistant Foreman Spottswood, has scored quite a success since his engagement with the Grand Opera House Stock Company of that city.

The recent changes in this Division side-swiped Chairman Harry W. Templar into the night proof-room, at a proof-reader's compensation, and the chapel was obliged to hold an election on Monday to fill the unexpired term. As a result thereof, Phil. Nachman received 70 votes and C. L. Williams 57

In matters of minor or major import entrusted to him, our clever and populay friend, Philip S. Steele, always does his best. He labored with his customary zeal in devising the admira ble memorial programme last Sunday afternoon and he and his invaluable assistants merit the hearty approbation of the entire typographical fraterity.

The heavy detail for the night-force made perceptible inroads on the contingent of day workers. Familiar faces and pleasant morning greetings will be missed until the coming of the "good old summer time," and when that time comes may be—well, what's the use of borrowing trouble from the problematical future to increase the store in the vexatious present.

The verses of Brother R. A. Johnson, of our Division, read by Brother Ottinger, added much to the interest of Sunday's memorial services. Mr. J. is of such modest mould and quiet temperament that few knew he could woo the muses. Gray once sweetly sang, "Full many a flower is born to blush unseen," etc. Let us hear from you again, Friend Johnson.

Few disappointments, consequently no bitter heart burns in the detail of the night force. Calmly viewing the field we would concur in the opinion that everybody that responded affirmatively was transferred, and those with higher ambitions and more exalted ideas were likewise gratified. Back, back to the night force—the place of your selection, with a thankful wish to the guiding hand who acceded to your request.

From a recent issue of the Columbus, Ohio, *State Journal*, we learn that "J. W. Barringer, formerly superintendent of the Russell street plant of the Buckeye Steel Castings Company, has been selected as general manager of the Zanesville Malleable Iron Company at an advanced salary." The young gentleman in question is the son of our friend Captain Barringer, who by the way is the father of a quartette of bright, active sons that any father should be proud of.

Congratulations to the Chief Clerk—Capt. H. T. Brian. Hosts of enthusi astic friends and admirers of this well-known and popular official, not in Government employ, most heartily applaud the action of Public Printer Sitllings in choosing him to continue in the office, the exacting duties of which he has ably discharged during the last three years of General Palmer's administration. More than pleased are his associates and fellow-laborers for the past quarter of a century.

Associated with honest people, certainly. A few days ago, one of our "toney" imposers lost his $125 diamond ring. It was handed him a short time after by a compositor who found it on the floor. Last Friday a pocket-book, containing papers, money, and trash was found in the "supply end" of this Division. Later on the rightful owner was discovered, and made happy upon the return of his wealth. It belonged to the anti-septic, patent full-back, saw-dust discoverer, Simon Pocher.

As a class printers are just and generous. They are less liable than any other class of men—classifying men by trades or professions—to deal unfairly by their fellows in act or word. And in exemplifying that spirit of generosity which finds lofty expression in bestowing material help, and extending practical aid the printer takes a place in the van. There are frequent proofs of this statement all over the land, and especially in the big printing office. *Vide*, the bountiful donations lately made to Mrs. Belcher and her children.

Chas. W. Eve, of North Carolina, and an ex-employee of the G. P. O., visited the office last week. Time sets lightly upon our old friend, whom we found just as agreeable a conversationalist as in the long ago. Of course, a few mistook him for the late lamented Geo. E. Dummer, but it was Charley all the same. From what we could learn, he is now on "easy street," and lives retired, which pleased his friends greatly. Of all the ex-printers we have ever met, we think our friend Eve is the champion story-teller. It could not well be otherwise when we remember his State; but then we forgot Col. W. N. Brockwell, of the brainery.

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The following is the official assign- to the respective night forces from this Division:

First Division—Makers-up: J. K. Wallace, C. W. Burnett, E. S. Wild, C. C. Auracher, and Geo. A. Tuttle.

Imposers to the same Division: F. M. Donn, James Kane, Voler V. Viles, B. A. Reid, and W. F. Councell.

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Helpers and laborers: Courtney C. Thayer, R. N. Carter, John T. Howe, Green J. Jordan and S. M. Mildren.

To the Sixth Division, as Makers-up: C. S. Elder, J. W. Mathers, E. Heidingsfeld, and C. W. Radley.

John R. Moss, as a reader to the Sixth, night.

Readers to the Day Proof Room: Frank A. Everts, Harry C. Hayne, Charles Wilhelm, J. Fred. Orth, J. R. Alford, W. F. P. White, and J. B. Dickman.

Readers to the Night Proof Room: George S. Fitzgerald, H. W. Templar, Frank W. Miller, John C. Lightcap, J. W. Cross, L. D. Brandon, and Messenger Kinsey Brewer.

ROUGH WRITER.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

Sixth Division.

The Sixth Division Chapel was organized on Monday, and after a careful canvas of the available material, George Fletcher was unanimously elected chairman, with Sam Gompers as secretary. [Alexandria, La., papers please copy.]

The First Division (pardon me Rough Writer) looks like a Western town after the boom had died out. Whole alleys were transferred, and nothing is left but unfilled cases, where once husky knockers held sway. But Foreman Bowen still has about 150 under his charge, which is a pretty big Division after all.

Few changes took place in the personnel of the *Record* proof room. Assistant Foreman J. A. Huston is in charge of the twenty-four readers composing the force. Aside from those who composed the force the following were added thereto: Grant S. Barn ha.t, Morris J. Hess, Chas. A. Morgan, John R. Moss, E. C. Rote, Earl G. Torrey, and H. A. Watkins.

This year's Night Bill Force is again under the foremanship of Chas. E. Young, with James H. Ross, John Green, and Z. T. Jenkins as revisers; James K. Wallace, Chas. W. Burnett, L. A. Wisener, E. S. Wild, C. C. Auracher, Geo. A. Tuttle, and Will E. Burchfield, as makersup, and T. M. Donn, W. F. Councell, James Kane, Voler V. Viles, and B. A. Reid as imposers. The force started off with 145 permanent, and 34 temporary compositors. Including laborers, helpers, etc., Mr. Young has under his supervision a total of 203. From the four corners of the print shop came these men who get out the bills for the gentlemen from the States. Most of the compositors have seen service in all the branches of the printery, and can handle a "take" of Spess, Surg. Gen. Catalogue, or an astronomical table with as much ease as a Congressional bill.

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They're off. That is, race-horseically speaking, the boys who get out the great Government publication, the *Congressional Record*, are again at it.

Foreman John R. Berg is at the helm assisted by a cage staff composed of Edward Moores, Charles Rudy, and Charles B. Buchanan, as first worthy assistant.

Its no new business to Messrs. Moores and Rudy, but Mr. Buchanan is taking his first throw at the assistant foremanship. However, he is an old *Record* hand, an ex-proof referee, so to speak, knows what's needed, and will undoubtedly prove a success in his new position.

There are some new faces on the force, but the majority are old wheel horses, tried and found to be not wanting when a good, long hike is required.

A synagog full of Irish would be as strange a sight as a *Record* force without such old timers as H. M. McElfresh, G. M. Mohler, Chas. Slentz, George Hayden, John Williams, Bert Wolf, Gene Andrew, Ed. Nevils, Horace Graham, Eugene Smith, A. W. Emory, W. H. Anglin, E. E. Weir, Chas. Gardner, and so on, down the line.

An equal number will compose the day force, with L. P. Kenny sitting on the lid, assisted by Chas. W. Radley, at the copy desk, and Ed. Heidingsfeld as time keeper. Dr. Radley was with the day force last session, but its "Heidy's" first leap inside the cage. Chas. S. Elder and J. W. Mathers came down from the "Y" to act as makers-up, and M. J. Nevius, a last year's *Record* operator, becomes bankman. Other new members of the Division are J. S. Garner, R. L. Moler and C. B. Nelson.

So far as this Division was concerned the transferring of the force was accomplished without a hitch, Foreman Kenny and his force taking up the work left over, and proceeding as if nothing out of the ordinary had happened.

But as I said before "they're off" and not until the gentlemen on the Hill call it off with the first session of the Fifty-ninth Congress will the two forces making up the force of the *Congressional Record* cease to hustle.

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Although the crowd which assembled at Typographical Temple last Sunday to attend the Memorial Services completely filled the auditorium, I must confess to surprise that it was not much greater. In memory of twenty-eight departed printers for the past year Chairman Philip Steele, assisted by H. W. Weber, Harry O'Donnell, E. S. Wild and Wiley H. Davis had arranged a program beautiful in its simplicity, but rich in the excellence of its talent. Nothing could have been omitted, nothing added thereto to make it more successful. What makes it better still, it was strictly a printer affair. Miss Nettie Pine Wallace, whose sister is employed on the Spess, sang beautifully "Savior, Blessed Redeemer," and Miss Deborah Louise Hickman, granddaughter of the late Wm. H. Hickman, likewise rendered a vocal solo, "Unanswered." Each of these young ladies are pupils of Bessie N. Wild, to whom is due the credit for the excellence of the musical part of last Sunday's program. The address by Chas. H. Ennis is worthy of special mention. Mr. Ennis spoke briefly, and the marked attention given him attested to the deep interest with which he held his audience. The quartette composed of D. G. Miller, Wiley H. Davis, J. Henry Kaiser, and J. Walter Humphrey rendered several beautiful selections, as did Mr. Henry Weber's orchestra led by Joseph Harrison.

In all it was a beautiful program, for which the committee deserves congratulations some day when Gabriel blows his trumpet, and Peter looks over the book of good deeds, surely on its pages will be written the names of those who gave their time and talent to make Memorial Sunday the success that it was.

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Contentment Verses Satisfaction.

By CHARLES STELZLE.

Does the church teach that a man should be satisfied with his present condition, no matter what that condition may be? Long hours, short wages, unsanitary workshops, unhealthy homes, uneducated minds? Nothing could be farther from the truth. The whole trend of its teaching is in the opposite direction. Some men are sneeringly saying that the church teaches submission, and that, therefore, it is an obstacle in the way of real progress. At another time I desire to discuss this matter with reference to a man's relation to his "master." Just now I want to point out the difference between being "content" and being "satisfied." The Bible exhorts men to be content. It does not teach that they are to be satisfied.

There is a great difference between the two. St. Paul said that he had learned in whatever state he was, "therewith be content." He had learned how to make the best of things as they were. But in the same epistle he added: "Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect. This one thing I do: forgetting the things which are behind (the successes and the failures) I press on." He was content, but not satisfied.

Satisfaction is derived from the Latin words "satis" and "facio"—which means, making, or having enough. Contentment is from the Latin "contineo"—which means, to contain, or to hold one's self together.

Contentment lies in one's self. Satisfaction is derived from external objects. Contentment means the enjoyment of what one has, but it does not imply that one has reached the ideal. It is not indifference or laziness. It does not demoralize character or hinder noble aspirations or brave endeavor after improvement.

It does mean, however, that one is self-contained—the master of one's self. No man can reach out after better and higher things until he has conquered himself. Solomon, the wise king, once said, "He that ruleth his spirit is greater than he that taketh a city."

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JOTTINGS BY JOHN JOTTINGER.

Good morning. Did you get that transfer you were looking for?

The annual reorganization of the *Record* Proof Room for the session of Congress did not result in as great a change as usual. Mr. Wheat took with him to the Bill Force Proof Room the legal talent of Judge Ennis, the medical skill of Drs. Atkinson and Schildroth, the piscatorial ability of High Water Sharp, the Dutch good humor of Frank Hambright, and the Irish wit of Dan O'Connell. This may look like a big hole in the *Record* talent, but, bless you, we have it to spare. Besides, we didn't get left in the "draw." We got Dr. Barnhart, who will treat us for brain fag; Charlie Morgan, who can keep us posted on the condition of crops, and Harry Watkins, "by gad, sir," who considers it a duty to be knocking something or somebody all the while and never did think much of a "referee." They are all good fellows who have "made good" on the *Record* before and will do it again.

In addition to the above we have secured the services of John R. Moss, E. C. Rote, and E. G. Torrey, of last year's force, and Morris J. Hess, who is the only new man on the job. Frank Smith has him in tow, and by the time the rush nights begin he will be able to hold his own with the old-timers. (I get a cigar from Smith for this.)

The Greensboro (N. C.) *Daily Industrial News* of December 1 contained a two-column special by W. N. Brockwell, entitled "The New Member's First Winter in Congress," that came pretty near being the best thing in that issue, although the *News* is far above the average, both in contents and typographical appearance. In both respects it will compare well with many metropolitan dailies.

I am indebted to Philip Wiley for the following little clipping from the *Western Publisher*, which may be of some interest to John R. McLean's eight-dollar reporters:

THE TROUBLESOME COMMA.

Louis M. Thayer, news editor of the Butte (Mont.) *Inter Mountain*, is the contributor of the following as the latest example of humorous use of the misplaced comma. Mr. Thayer says the error actually appeared in the copy of a society reporter. In describing a function at a leading Butte hotel, the reporter said: "The chandeliers were tastefully hung with smilax and handsomely dressed women, and men passing under looked up with interest!"

And what would you do? Rubber!

I. Walter Sharp recently received a letter from Andrew W. Archer, who was employed in the G. P. O. until about six years ago and will be especially remembered by old Spess hands. Archer is now located in Seattle, Wash., where he is running a Mergenthaler plant, doing machine composition for the trade, and he writes that he is doing very well, which will please all his old friends here.

Marion E. Bullock has shaken the dust of the city from his beaded moccasins and has moved his goods and chattels to East Riverdale, Md., where he will put in his spare time feeding the chickens and trying to imagine himself back in "that dear old Kansas."

A Utica preacher has been accused of kissing one of his flock in the organ loft, and since then the rest of the congregation are busy piping him off.

These are the days when men feel the need of reforming—some of their neighbors.

The memorial services last Sunday were beautiful and impressive, and the committee in charge is to be congratulated. The music was especially good, the singing of Miss Nettie Pine Wallace and Miss Deborah Louise Hickman being favorably commented on by all present. The former is the sister of Miss Ella Wallace, of the Specification Proof Room, and the latter is the daughter of Harry Hickman and the granddaughter of the late W. H. Hickman, who won the regard of every employe on the *Record* during his term as foreman of that Division. The male quartette also rendered three numbers in a very pleasing manner. In his first ambitious attempt as an orator Mr. Ennis fairly earned the congratulations of his friends.

After all is said and done, what have we really to fear from the open-shop policy in the G. P. O. under the merit system, honestly administered? The number of first-class printers outside of the union ranks is decidedly small, and none but a top-notcher can hope to succeed in the Government shop without the fraternal aid and advice of his fellow-workmen. The work is of a character that taxes the ability of those who have long considered themselves competent journeymen, and there are men in the big building to-day who owe their positions to the fact that during their period of probation they were tided over rough places by the kindly assistance of their brother unionists, and they have no reason to be ashamed of it.

Under the Constitution of the United States the G. P. O. can be nothing but an open shop. That is a fact we cannot get around. The civil-service law has thrown open the door to every citizen of the United States who claims to be a journeyman printer and can pass the usual examination, and the doors of the union are just as widely open to the clean, honest printer who cares to enter. It is not a "close corporation" which seeks the welfare of only a privileged few, but welcomes all who merit our respect and help. The "rat" may find it easy to enter the G. P. O., but when it comes to "making good" he will find that the work is of a different character than he has been in the habit of nibbling at, as he could learn from the Baltimore rodent who resigned when he found himself up against a broadcast table the like of which he never saw before in his life. In a fair test of skill the typographical union will have nothing to be afraid or ashamed of.

Messrs. Sherman and Allison, the political "bosses" of the Main Proof Room, are going around with gore in their eyes, I am informed. It seems that, following the precedent set by Mr. Roosevelt, Jimmy Armstrong decided not to stand for reelection, and before Sherman and Allison could get wise to what was in the air and fix up a slate he called a chapel meeting, at which my former sparring partner, Joe Babcock, was unanimously elected chairman without the formality of a ballot. Jimmy may get the credit and blame for the trick, but for my part I believe it was a foxy play by "Bab," who always was a smooth player, even in the days when he would throw bricks at my front door in his search for trouble.

As usual, the Main Proof Room felt the shock of reorganization the most. Zack Jenkins, J. H. Ross, and Johnny Greene went back to the Bill Force again to see that everything goes right at Charlie Young's end of the line, while the following had the pleasure of reporting to Mr. Wheat at the Night Proof Room: Messrs. Barnhart (F. H.), Bennett, Connolly, Cowles, Davidson, Etchberger, Glass, Goodrell, Harper, Hyler, Kern, Leatzow, Miller, Nothnagel, O'Brien, Patterson (E. H.), Rhodes, Searles, Thomas, West, Weyand, Wiley, and the not-to-be-lost John Pepper. To fill the gap made in Joe Babcock's chapel by this departing bunch a baker's dozen of willing victims were drafted from the various divisions, as follows: Messrs. Colton, Dickman, Evarts, Hayne, Jones (T. L.), Orth, Sawyer, Singleton, White (W. F.), Wilhelm, Wilson, Young, and Brown.

Under glaring headlines the *Logan County Index* announces the arrival of J. Walker Miller at Bellefontaine, Ohio, to take charge of the old Miller Hotel, which has been the property of the Miller family since 1855. Walker has the best wishes of his former associates on the *Record* in his new venture, and there ought to be no doubt of his success, for Harry Hayne, who put up at the Miller Hotel at one time (and paid his board), says that they certainly confront you with elegant "vittles" there, and Oscar Hyler says there is nothing better in this life.

I understand that Pard Bloomer is about ready to resume operations at the old stand, which ought to be the cue for his understudy to retire to the wings, as it were. All those in favor of it will please say "aye," and say it right out loud.

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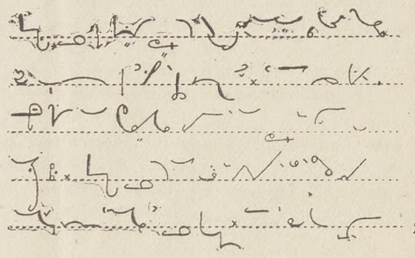

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 7.45 p. m. on Monday, Delegate R. G. M. Ross in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Mill Workers and Helpers Union, No. 11485, submitting a series of resolutions asking that plenary powers be given them in their association with Mill Workers Union, No. 1103, to the end that they may have autonomy. Action deferred to next meeting.

From Stenographers, Bookkeepers, Typewriters, and Assistants Union, No. 11773, inclosing check for dues. Referred to Finance Committee.

ENDORSEMENTS.

The following Unions reported action indorsing attitude of central body relative to W. S. Jenks, stove dealer, 717 Seventh street northwest:

Sheet Metal Workers Union, No. 102.

Carriage and Wagon Workers Union, No. 72.

Stationary Engineers, No. 99.

Barbers' Union, No- 239. Fine, $10.

Electrical Workers, No. 148.

Musicians Protective Union, No. 161.

Similar action was taken by the following Unions relative to Dave Wolf, shoe dealer, 432 Seventh street northwest:

Carriage and Wagon Workers Union, No. 72.

Stationary Engineers, No. 99.

Barbers Union, No. 239. Fine, $10.

Electrical Workers, No. 148.

Musicians Protective Union, No. 161.

Sheet Metal Workers, No. 102.

Grievance Committee reported progress.

CALL OF UNIONS.

The regular call was dispensed with, and Unions having business to present were requested to do so.

Retail Clerks: Called attention to C. Auerbach & Son refusing to sign an agreement.

Contract Committee reported that they had visited the management of the Majestic Theater, and they had refused to enter into a contract with the Central Labor Union. Report accepted.

Adjourned.

A Struck Job.

The Oakland Apartment House job, on Columbia road, being constructed by Oscar White, is a struck job, all union men on the job quitting as individuals except some of the plasterers.

It is alleged that Mr. White some time ago discharged Union bricklayers and put on "scabs," and subsequently introduced scab colored painters, and when remonstrated with discharged the Union carpenters.

The climax was reached, and plumbers, electricians, iron workers, paperhangers, some of the plasterers, and the steam fitters all quit work. The job is tied up.

Personal Mention.

W. E. Kennedy, special organizer of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, left for his field of labor (Southern California) on Wednesday for Los Angeles.

Edward A. Moffett, editor of the *Bricklayer and Mason*, was in the city on Monday. Mr. Moffett represents that type of labor men who are on the alert for every opportunity to advance the cause of organized labor. He will go to Europe next spring with the commission to investigate municipal ownership of public utilities.

Rickey vs. Brocky.

Brother Brockwell's admirable "true" story of his Thanksgiving Hunt reminds me of a story accredited to a Senator, in which he told of first meeting Samuel J. Tilden while waiting for a subway train in New York. I have no doubt that Brother Brockwell's versatility will come to his assistance in explaining the existence of the gin rickey at the tender age of his mentioned in the story career. Mr. Rickey would undoubtedly now turn over in his tomb if he knew that the insidious thirst-quencher that bears his name should have gone thundering down the magnificent corridors of history known as a gin brocky.

G. A. S.

Two Worlds.

I accompanied a man a little while ago to his club on the outskirts of Brussels. The ground was bordered by a wood on one side and surrounded on the other three by petites fermes—allotments as we should call them in England, worked by the peasants themselves.

It was a glorious spring afternoon. The courts were crowded. The red earth and the green grass formed a background against which the women in their new Parisian toilets, under their bright parasols, stood out like wondrous bouquets of moving flowers. The whole atmosphere was a delightful mingling of idle gayety, flirtation, and graceful sensuousness. A modern Watteau would have seized on the scene with avidity. Just beyond—separated by the almost invisible wire fencing—a group of peasants where working in their field. An old woman and a young girl, with ropes about their shoulders, were drawing a harrow guided by a withered old scarecrow of a man. They paused for a moment at the wire fencing, and looked through. It was an odd contrast; the two worlds divided by that wire fencing—so slight, almost invisible. The girl swept the sweat from her face with her hand; the woman pushed back her gray locks underneath the handkerchief knotted about her head; the old man straightened himself with some difficulty.

So they stood, for perhaps a minute, gazing with quiet passionless faces through that slight fencing, that a push from their work-hardened hand might have leveled. Was there any thought, I wonder, passing through their brains? The young girl?—she was a handsome creature in spite of her disfiguring garments. The woman?—it was a wonderfully fine face, clear, calm eyes, deep set under a square, broad brow. The withered old scarecrow?—ever sowing the seed, in the spring, of the fruit that others shall eat. The old man bent again over the guiding ropes; gave the word. The team moved forward up the hill.

It is Anatole France, I think, says society is based upon the patience of the poor.—*Jerome K. Jerome.*

From The Union Printers' Home.

E. E. ("Ikey") Wear received a letter recently from N. S. ("Bucky") Adams, who is an inmate of the Union Printers' Home. Adams has not been around Washington much of late years, but has been a well-known "rounder" all over the country. About thirty years ago he was part of the *Record* force for a session or two, after which he was a paymaster's clerk in the Navy for several years, since when he has been paying attention to the United States. He complains of the monotony at the Home, but there is probably more to amuse the inmates than in any other similiar institution in the country. He says "Wheeling" Smith, formerly employed here, and who threw up his job to win a quarter's worth of cigars, is there, completely knocked out because of a useless hand hurt in a fall. He addressed the letter to the "Labor Temple" because he understood mail for the employees was no longer permitted to be received at the G. P. O. This letter will be news to everybody.

The war in the far East was a very enjoyable affair of its kind and made a new record in the gentle sport of human butchery, but Russia seems determined to furnish something equally as good on her own hook.

It may be true that graft is no respecter of persons, but it does sometimes look as if it smirches some people a little less or else some other people a little more than the circumstances seem to require.

Representative Lovering of Massachusetts has introduced a bill providing for the payment of a rebate to exporters equal to the full duties on the imported articles used in the manufacture of exported goods. This is called a drawback, but it will probably take a strong pull to pass the bill.

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION SMOKER.

An Enjoyable Occasion Last Monday Night After Regular Session.

The smoker on Monday night, at Typographical Temple, given by the Central Labor Union, was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

Chairman R. G. M. Ross and his coworkers on the committee were congratulated on their initial effort to bring the members out and have an evening of instructive and interesting features in connection with the smoker.

Addresses were made by Rev. Wm. J. Kerby, professor of sociology at the Catholic University; Willis L. Moore, chief of the Weather Bureau; Hon. J. J. Jenkins, Member of Congress from Wisconsin; and Hon. T. V. Powderly.

The musical program was rendered by John J. Stoffel and Joseph H. Hamlin, in vocal songs, while Frank A. McHugh gave a recitation and M. V. McHugh a violin solo.

Refreshments were served, and it was agreed that an annual function of the nature given should be encouraged.

The Boss and The Devil.

The nine or ten men composing the force of a down-town job office had been interviewed by the proprietor regarding their attitude on the coming strike. The employer, who is a leading member of the local Typothetae, delivered a long stereotyped argument to each man as he was called in turn to the business office. They were told that the Typothetae had already defeated the Union in the great majority of the towns where they had gone on strike and that the fight was going to be much easier for them in Washington than it had been in other cities where they had won.

In glowing terms he pictured the gloomy outlook that faced the local job printers after the first of January, and incidentally offered them a substantial increase in wages if they would stick by him and refuse to walk out when the Union issued its call the first of the year. Each man flatly refused the offer and one of them called the proprietor's attention to the fact that they had been poorly treated by him while working as Union men and the treatment they would receive while working as scabs could not even be guessed at. The Typothetae man was raging mad when he learned that not even one journeyman would "rat," and for awhile the man thought they would lose their jobs before the time came for throwing them up.

Although he had no success with the journeymen, he felt sure he would have little trouble persuading the apprentice boy to stick by him.

So in due time the boy was called to the front office to receive the boss' proposition. This apprentice boy, who has served over three years at the trade, is a clever, quick-witted chap, and having learned from one of the men what to expect, went down stairs prepared for what was coming. In his inside pocket he carried one of John Macintyre's Typothetæ circulars which the boss had distributed among the men. The proprietor went on to tell him the same string of "hot air" he had delivered to the men, about the Typothetæ not being able to lose, and so forth.

The boss said: "Do you know that we have won out in nine-tenths of the cities where strikes have been declared?"

And the apprentice answered: "How is it then that all the shops in 280 cities have already signed the eight-hour agreement?"

The proprietor: "Where did you get your information?"

Apprentice: "From the newspapers."

Proprietor: "Do you believe everything you see in print?"

Apprentice: "No! I don't believe this!" (Handing him the Typothetæ circular.)

And then the boss' face got red and he showed recognition of the fact that he had met more than his match. But that didn't stop him. He went off on another line of argument and offered to send the boy to New York to learn the machine at the Typothetæ school there. Offering to pay his hotel bill and allowing him so much for spending money every day. All he wanted in return was for the boy to sign a contract to work for him for one year after the first of January.

"And after the year is up," the proprietor told him, "you don't have to stay with me if you don't want to. You can go to any other place you want and I'll give you a letter to a Typothetæ firm that will give you a job.

"Yes, but suppose I want to go to my home," the apprentice asked.

The boss said: "Where is your home?"

Apprentice: "In Albany, N. Y."

Boss: "Well, after the contract expires I'll give you a letter to a Typothetæ shop there that will get you a job."

Apprentice: "You will? Well, when you find a printing office in Albany that is working over eight hours, I'll consider your proposition."

With the retort: "Well, Mr. ——, I hope there isn't any hard feeling," the boy wentb ack to his work.

Lahoma.

William Kenworthy has published a piece of music entitled "Lahoma," being a tribute to Oklahoma, the budding candidate for Statehood. The music is by Bert S. Elliott, and the author and composer are both printers in the Government Printing Office.

THE KIDDER'S "TOUCH."

"Say, have you written to the P. P. yet asking for a date to unload a small gob of your personal troubles?" asked the kidder, this morning, as I turned into North Capitol hot-foot for the sixth floor before the whistle blew.

"No, my boy," I replied, "I never have troubles, personal or otherwise. Why?"

"Well, down on my floor the whole bunch is considering the matter. You see, it's like this: When the front wig-wagged the money changers to wind up their little ball of yarn it caught some of us fore and aft, or stem and stern, as they say on the Eastern Sho', and now we would like to know where we are at."

"Oh, you will learn 'where you are at,' as you say, soon enough," I said, indifferently. "Maybe the situation is not as bad as you think it is. How much have they got you for?"

"They've got me for enough, all right, all right. You see, about four years ago I started in on a borrow of a little old fifty, expecting to pay it back when I got on the night force. Well, sir, do you know for the first time since 'way back before they got the clocks I didn't get on the night force? No, siree! Got passed up. And Captain Ramsey being in the hole for *good* hands about that time, I got switched to the Spess. Jehosophat, but wasn't that tough? Well, when my sym. got down to the closin' up point the secretary—the politest man in the world, leastwise the politest I ever seen—come around smiling like and asked me how about it. Now, to tell the truth, I wasn't in very good shape. As a matter of fact, I was bent and broke and busted. Anyhow he fixed me up by allowing me to sign a new note for 70 plunks—and took about eight tons weight off my mind."

"You say you signed a new note for $70. What was the additional $20 for?" I inquired, not knowing much about high finance.

"Gadzooks, you talk like a Lanston rattles. You see, this benevolent assimilation I got into makes a modest little charge for the use of its funds, and I being way off on the side at the Spess hadn't had opportunity to keep my int. paid up, and that $20 represented a few hours hard work of the $50."

"Did you finally get straightened out?"

"Well, hardly, But I expect to get straightened out, or kicked out, and I'll be McCcrdied if I know which," replied the kidder. "You see, old man, I got started wrong. That lousy fifty I got 'way back yonder is the hardiest grower, the liveliest developer, I ever seen in all my born days. Do you know that I've renewed that note about eight times, each time with a proper philanthropic addition, until it now encompasses my possibilities about as completely as the circus bills cover the barn? Well, it's a fact. I had a plan all studied out how I could start a sort of endless-chain borrow scheme that would lift me out of this financial muck—a scheme that would run for thirty years without ary redemption, and thirty years from now I'll be safe, I guess—but just when salvation was in sight along comes this close-up order, which has gone into force, which has made half of us grouchy and the rest of us sick, which has caused a financial doldroom, which has played hell."

We were now leaving the elevator, and as the kidder ran for the stairway to get to the floor below he called back to me, "Say, old man, meet me at the "Mad House" tonight; I want to tell you the rest of that."

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Index	42	25	17	.595
Foundry	45	26	19	.577
Cow Boys	48	23	25	.479
Commercials	45	21	24	.466
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Aldines	42	19	23	.453
Pressmen	42	15	27	.357

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Allen	27	4857	179.24
Fitzwilliam	30	5305	176.25
Walsh	42	7408	176.16
McCarthy	39	6784	173.37
Glade	39	6724	172.16
Atkins	39	6663	170.33
O'Connell	35	5908	168.28
Williams (Com.)	39	6574	168.22
Carey	45	7571	168.11
Brown	45	7559	167.44
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Nachman	21	3151	150.1
Spence	15	2224	149.9
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Wuesthoff	24	3570	148.18
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Hoffman	12	1775	147.11
Sturm	6	886	147.4
Schulze	15	2206	147.1
Zook	6	878	146.2
McDonough	6	878	146.2
Briggs	6	870	145
Heisler	4	533	144.1
Brosee	4	573	143.1
Arnold	9	1286	142.8
Splann	6	857	142.5
Nevins	11	1548	140.8

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Welcome, thrice welcome again to our ranks, Brother Bloomer. May your shadow never grow less.

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Harry Jones, who has been seriously ill, is now convalescent. Call and see him shopmates. He will be glad for your visit.

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Foreman Lynch is still confined to his room, and Master Mechanic Bates has gone off on leave. In the meantime Charley Smithson, M. M., is sitting on the lid. As Charley tips the beam at three hundred it is needless to state the balance. I don't know what the boys would do without the jolly, rollicking Commodore.

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Col. Joe Keefe, the philanthropist of the Yard, has just had an experience that is not often wished for. Some idle curiosity seeker, who had not the fear of an introduction to Judge Mullowney, visited his room and appropriated to his own use fifty bran new one dollars that the Colonel had carelessly left in his trunk and which he informs me was the amount that he annually contributes Christmas toward charity. In addition to the money the visitor carried away a handsome revolver which was highly prized, not for its intrinsic value, but for the reason that it was a present from the Sultan of Sulu, as an acknowledgement for a brave act while the Colonel was in the Philippines.

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Columbia Lodge, I. A. of M., No. 174, at its regular meeting last Wednesday evening, elected the following to fill the offices for the ensuing year:

President, Thos. F. Dorien.
Vice-President, John McGuigan.
Recording Secretary, Francis G. Eppley.
Financial Secretary, Robert H. Cowan (re-elected.)
Treasurer, Samuel D. Cole (re-elected.)
Conductor, Thos. E. Carroll.
Sentinel, F. F. Litchfield.
Trustees: W. R. Adams, W. F. Brown, and W. A. Bowan.
Delegates to the Central Labor Union: Emmet L. Adams, John McGuigan, M. A. Bowan, Thos. E. Carroll, and Oliver T. Beaumont.

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Columbia Lodge had an interesting visitor and speaker at its meeting of Wednesday evening. I refer to Bro. Nathan A. Cole, of Local No. 351, Hoboken, N. J.

Brother Cole, it will be remembered, was elected as a delegate from his Local to represent them at the Boston Convention, but was denied a seat for the reason, as was claimed, that he was not a bona fide machinist, but a printer who repaired his own machinery.

TIM TICKLE.

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

Miss Nellie Shipman of the Third, who has been confined to Sibley Hospital for some time past, will make application for admission to the Printers' Home.

In my strolls I notice that Christian C. Auracher applies for a bar room license at No. 610 Louisiana avenue—evidently the genial make-up of the Night Bill Force.

The Sunday edition of the *Star*, we learn from a trustworthy source, has passed the experimental stage and is at present a source of material revenue. In consequence thereof, two more Mergenthalers will be purchased.

Brother Corson, in charge of the *Times* press room, tells me that on the occupancy of the up-town building by that paper it will have one of the most complete press rooms in existence. Were I to report his figures of the proposed outfit of the mammoth press room now being placed in position I would be accused of issuing a broadcast statement.

Every one with a speaking acquaintance of Mr. Bone has been spoken of as foreman for the new Washington daily. George Tracy, from far away 'Frisco, has been in the mentioned column. If in the prophecy line, I would name Billy Hinton and Frank Lerch as the "two best bets." Advertising Manager Pierce, of the *Post*, has resigned to go on the new paper and the staff will be made up largely from Mr. Bones associates on that paper.

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MARK TWAIN is just as young as he jokes.

IT'S an easy boss who knows how to let himself down easy.

THE telegraph linesman is not necessarily a well-posted man.

HAVING been swallowed alive, Korea's kicks are only spasmodic.

SOME employers never know that money paid to an employe is not a gift.

AS DEAD game sports, the Powers are forced to admire the draw-poker qualities of Turkey.

IT IS to be hoped that the dirt will fly on the Isthmus without bespotting the appropriation.

HENRY WATTERSON will doubtless note that the center of social agitation has shifted to Pittsburg.

ALTHOUGH in a hopeless minority, the House Democrats manage to enjoy their full share of the smoke of battle.

THERE was a lack of flowers at the opening of Congress, but flowers of speech will continue to blossom in the same old greenhouse.

ORGANIZED labor looks forward, not backward; it reads the lessons of progress in the sunlight of optimism and not in pessimistic moonshine.

THE employes of the Government Printing Office may find encouragement in the fact that the President didn't cut down his own copy.

SOME critics of the $10,000 Canal Secretary seem to forget that in the hands of the right kind of a man the pen is mightier than the steam shovel.

IN THE meantime CHAUNCEY DEPEW might profit by some of the fatherly advice he used to give the workingmen regarding good citizenship and contentment with a modest supply of this world's goods.

THE KAISER is said to have a covetous eye fixed on the seaports of Holland. But any alarm on the part of the Hollanders is needless inasmuch as their great and good friend is building a strong navy as a guarantee of peace.

CONCERNING the "emission of dense black or gray smoke," some one should call the attention of the President to the fact that a German volcano has lately been in a state of eruption in the neighborhood of our Samoan possessions.

WEBSTER DAVIS again looms above the footlights with the statement that he has left the Democracy, and, as long as THEODORE ROOSEVELT keeps real good, "will be identified with the Republican party." WEB'S career as a case of mistaken identity would appear to have proved unsatisfactory.

ORGANIZED labor is pleased that the President is specially interested in the question of child labor. Perhaps he might secure some good advice by consulting the so-called Citizens' Industrial Association, the Typothetæ, and other similar organizations.

The Union and the Trust.

A noticeable feature of the President's annual message is its earnest reference to organized labor and the labor question in general. In its treatment of this topic, however, the message is in one particular not entirely satisfactory from the trade union standpoint. We refer to the seeming implication that labor organizations are to be classed with monopolistic trusts as subjects of public concern. The history of the recent as well as the more remote past does not warrant such a view. The great capitalistic organizations which have aroused the apprehension of all classes and even try the mettle of an aggressive and resourceful President are of recent development and, with reference to the industrial future, are an unknown quantity. It is the general belief that in their present operation they are dangerous and that their evil influence grows from day to day. Without the intimate human relationship to society of the trade union, they expand in an atmosphere of distrust and dread and dangerous innovation. On the other hand, the tendency of organized labor has been in the direction of industrial stability. Formerly hot beds in many cases of reckless agitation, labor organizations have progressed in a conservative direction until today they are recognized with all their faults as safeguards against possible mob rule and anarchy. Mere passing reference to the history of the labor movement strikingly attests the growth of unionism in civic integrity. In England its beginnings were stormy and full of danger to organized society. The Luddite riots, the dangerous agitation of the "physical force" element of the Chartist movement, and other uprisings may serve as examples of the danger arising from undisciplined masses in the early part of the Nineteenth Century. Today a workingman—a representative unionist—has a seat in the British cabinet, and the trade unions of England, while radical in their demands, are free from sometimes reckless aggressiveness of former years and are a potent force in the not always successful work of holding "a fretful realm in awe." But more striking still is the contrast in this country between the yesterday and today of unionism. Where labor leaders were a few years ago uncertain as to the matter of policy and method and were no doubt in some cases offensively bitter in opposition to so-called plutocracy, today they stand for conservatism and take an optimistic view of the future, while they desire nothing more than the avoidance of class antagonism with its many evils. Unionism is not by any means perfect and should be held strictly accountable as a factor in social development. But we do not think it favors a clear understanding of the industrial problem to associate the union with the trust as a menace to the general welfare and free institutions.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

A recent letter from Lon A. Shimp, one of the editors and proprietors of the Georgetown (Wash.) *News*, tells me of the prosperity of a couple of old G. P. O. boys who have made Seattle their home. A. W. Archer is one. He was "fired" here some years ago and went to Seattle, where he learned to operate a Mergenthaler. Later he bought a machine for himself and hustled composition for the trade. At this time he runs three shifts on his machine, is making money and buying property, and is making arrangements to put in another machine. Another is J. E. Martinson, who graduated in law while working in the G. P. O., going then to Seattle, where he "put up his shingle," and is now in possession of a comfortable practice. Shimp and his partner, George W. Fritz, are doing a thriving business in Georgetown, which is a suburb adjoining Seattle, of which it will eventually doubtless be a part. Their receipts for the three months ending October 31 exceeded their expenses by over $1,300, which, while above the average, shows what a splendid business they have. There is always an opportunity for our G. P. O boys when they get out in the cold, if they will only go and hunt for it.

However, Lon and his partner have recently run up against a small-sized snag. In city politics the Republicans, who are largely in the majority, split and two tickets were nominated. The *News* decided to keep out of the fracas and was going along nicely, doing the printing for both factions. But this did not suit one of the factions and it imported another paper to advocate its claims. This forced Shimp & Fritz to take the other end of it, and they are in it tooth and nail, the last copy I received having its mouth so full of the fur of the enemy that it could talk of nothing else. Entirely without knowledge of the merits of the controversy, I am unbiased in giving my sympathy to the side Lon has espoused. May he lam the stuffin' out of his enemies!

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Why is it that a man can't be permitted to express the fear that a religion which does not prevent its propagandists from fighting like cats and dogs among themselves about church matters and resorting to pot-house methods in their elections does not seem to be all that it is advertised to be without being denounced as an infidel and an enemy of society? Early attention given to short answers.

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The papers last week published the news of the death of Capt. Algernon T. Maupin at Johnson City, Tenn., of paralysis, in his seventy-second year. The date of his death is not given, but the funeral was held last Sunday. Captain Maupin was for a number of years a compositor in the G. P. O., but for about a year has been incapacitated because of illness. He was a genial, kindly man and much respected by his fellow-workmen. A son, A. T. Maupin, jr., also a printer, has been for a number of years an employee of the Washington Electric and Railroad Company. Captain Maupin was a member of Harmony Lodge, No. 17, F. A. A. M., and Farragut Post, G. A. R.

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The Oldest Inhabitants' Association of the District of Columbia held a banquet last Thursday evening at Freund's in honor of its fortieth anniversary, of which the *Evening Star* had a lengthy account and published excellent illustrations. Mr. Crosby S. Noyes, the venerable editor of the *Star*, is the president. I noticed the names of a number of printers as being in attendance, among them Mr. Benjamin C. Wright, one of the officers, who figures in one of the pictures; Gen. George H. Harries, and Messrs. George A. R. McNeir and Nicholas Watkins. There may have been others, for even I don't know all the old printers in Washington.

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There are all kinds of fools in the world, but none to compare with the man who asks permission to continue regular practices and customs of the craft with which he is connected or to pursue a course which has been pursued for years without question. While I never was in love with the symposii, their right to exist was never questioned until an officer of one wrote and asked Mr. Ricketts if there was an objection to them, when, the matter being officially brought to his attention, he promptly ordered them to discontinue. The sym. official then took the extreme measure, by way of closing up his, of levanting with part of its funds. I remember a specimen of the fool information seeker away back in the time of the foremanship of Major Davis. Hearing that there was to be a furlough, he mentioned the matter to the foreman, asking if his name was on the list. "Yes, sir," replied the Major, and he promptly put it there. But the man who attempts to indicate their folly to fools is wasting his time as surely as did the man who wound his eight-day clock every day for ten years before he found it out.

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There have been but two setbacks to the onward march of organized labor in recent years, so far as my memory serves me—the failure of the street railway employees' strike in New York and the collapse of that of the teamsters in Chicago—and in each case it was a fight of unskilled or little skilled labor against powerful employers, and in the Chicago case the latter were "given a run for their money" at that. Of course it is much harder to maintain a strike and carry it to a successful conclusion where every man found on the street is a possible strike-breaker, and almost any man can make some kind of a bluff at driving a team or operating a street car. But it is a very different proposition when it is a strike of skilled mechanics, whose places can be filled satisfactorily only by other men equally skilled. That is the proposition the Typothetae is up against. One argument recently made against the demand of the I. T. U. is that it is made in the belief that the eight-hour day will make work for about 12 per cent more printers, when there are not 12 per cent more printers to be had! How, then, can the Typothetae hope to succeed in breaking the strike after losing the 100 per cent of union men that it had?

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W. B. Prescott, of Baltimore, ex-president of the I. T. U., had a splendid editorial in the December *Inland Printer* on the eight-hour struggle. Every union printer ought to read it; but every union printer ought to read the *Inland Printer* regularly anyhow.

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The vote that William R. Hearst received for mayor of New York is one of the strongest evidences that the workingman is breaking away from old-party affiliations and voting for those he deems to be his friends. It is estimated that 96 per cent of the workingmen in New York voted for Hearst. The story how capital in Australia combined to break up the trades unions, and how the trades unions retaliated by voting themselves into control of the Government would be a lesson to any but the money-mad.

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I read that my friend J. J. Dirks, of St. Louis, will be a candidate for president of the I. T. U. I suppose his hopes are based on the other hope that Jim Lynch doesn't want it any longer.

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The common council of Buffalo, according to *Progress*, of that city, has passed a resolution instructing the heads of city departments to furnish the members of the Typographical Union Investigating Committee full data as to the printing contracts in force, showing at what dates they should be or should have been completed. This information will enable the union to make formal demand that the contracts be observed. Buffalo is one of the cities in which the political force of trades unions is realized.

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It was a good thing for Public Printer Stillings that he had his calling and election made sure before the flower fiends had an opportunity to snow him under. It is only the rank sucker who makes presentations to his superior officer.

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If our friends of the Typothetæ offices of this city were to exercise ordinary business sense, they would sign the eight-hour contracts, divide their defense fund, and save themselves a lot of trouble and expense. This is preeminently an eight-hour city, and the sympathy of the community, except the professional union-crushers, will be with us. If the Typothetæ were to succeed it would still cost them more than a surrender, besides the annoyance of dealing with the class of incompetents and scalawags that compose the non-unionists. Of course I know that if the individual members want a return of the money they have put into the defense fund they must adhere to their society until it surrenders as a whole. That is probably its strongest element of strength. We know the "masters," as individuals, have more money than we have; but we also know that they think a whole lot more of it than we do, which is probably why they have it. They are not as philosophical losers as are we fellows who live up to all we earn. The average workingman only gets a living, and he can't get less than that unless he dies, whereas the boss is unhappy unless each Saturday night shows him to be a little richer than the preceding one. Of course the employer will have to charge a little more for the work he does, as he does when the price of paper and other materials goes up, in order to maintain the same percentage of profit that he gets now. He ought to do that through his Typothetæ, by agreement as to prices instead of throat-cutting. I believe there is some such attempt made by the Printers' Board of Trade, which has been described to me as the Typothetæ "inside," but it never went far enough, as it applied only to jobs of $25 and over. If the bosses would deal honestly with each other they could afford and probably would get in the habit of dealing honestly with us. It is my impression that at present the Typothetæ of this city is making a big bluff to save its defense fund to individuals, though there are one or two employers who are aching to run "rat" offices. "Dis is Davy Crockett down hyar and you'd better come outen dat tree, Mr. Coon!"

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

Congrats., Jim old boy. We mean James W. Mathers.

The latest glance at the Night Force slip shows a grand total of 200.

After a protracted visit to New York City, Karl H. Baker reported for work on Monday.

On Monday morning compositors Kirsch, Wall, Davidson and Darden were detailed to the Treasury for one consecutive day.

Did you notice our hustling little chairman making a home-run on pay day for the special assessment? And Philip Nachman is his name.

During the week the following temporary compositors were assigned cases in our Division: W. F. Jones, F. H. Hopkins, Jr., E. H. Laws, George Mullins, James E. Myers, E. F. Morrison, J. J. Cooney, C. C. Ferguson.

A recent issue of the *Evening Star* contained an excellent picture of the Oldest Inhabitants' Association of the District. Conspicuous in the foreground was our esteemed fellow-workman, B. C. Wright, of the "Supply" end.

J. Monroe Kreiter, one of the best known down-town printers, and a compositor on the Washington *Post* was a G. P. O. visitor on Tuesday. Mr. Kreiter has a host of friends in the G. P. O. who gave him the glad hand. Lest you forget, Monroe is a Harrisburg representative.

"Droppers," one who "drops" forms. No, no. don't *pi* them. Have them placed on the imposing stones and all type and material displaced for immediate future use. Now our rule case exponent Frank Lloyd designates them "Droppers" because they are continually "Dropping." See.

A detail approximating one hundred compositors from the Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Divisions several days during the past week to help out on bills forcibly reminded us of long ago, more especially when we met face to face with those with whom we had been intimately associated in former days.

No it's not a chestnut when we simply state that the "flood of bills" from the Senate and House since the convening of Congress was unprecedented. Seven thousand were introduced the first two days. However, everybody worked with a will from the people on the first floor to the sky parlor—both day and night forces. Result, caught up the first day of the present week. Good enough.

A few days since a copy of the President's Message was presented to Simon Pocher. He has been busy for several nights reading it, and in a few days will be able to discuss the leading topics. On the side it is President Roosevelt's message of 1904, which Jack Burnside informs us Subway Waller gave him. O, I tell you, the wit of the average Irishman is beyond comprehension.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

Sixth Division.

E. E. Connor has quit the machine for the case.

Balsey F. Sauter has been assigned to Merg. No. 23, from the correcting alley.

Carl Tegethoff has been transferred from the Spess and assigned to Merg. No. 1.

Chas. F. Purdy, young in years, but a G. P. O. veteran, formerly of the First Division and a one time well-known *Record* employe, has joined the force of the Fifth Division, where he is now engaged in mastering a Lanston keyboard.

Delighted? Of course I was delighted by the return of my old friend Bloomer to the TRADES UNIONIST fold. Not only is it a great pleasure to me to know that he is again able to resume his writings, but I am satisfied it will not be long until I shall hear of the whereabouts of "Texas" Smith.

Passing down the room one day recently I noticed a terrible smoke arising from a Lanston caster, the result of burning oil on metal. The old machine was clicking and the attendant smiling. "Say, old man," said I, "Hadn't I better turn in the alarm?" "Oh, no," replied he, "I am just passing through Pittsburg now."

E. W. Oyster, one of the best known men in Washington printerdom and at one time foreman of the *Record* and also of the Specification Room, was a caller in this Division one day last week. Although not at present engaged at the printing business, Mr. Oyster is ever interested in their welfare, and he is sure of the glad hand from the old employes whenever he visits the shop.

Miss Julia M. Burke, who during the last session of Congress was employed on the Mergs. in this Division, is now at work in the Lanston keyboard room (where the Fourth Division once held sway) mastering the intricacies of that machine. Miss Burke cared not for this Division because of the noise. So far as noise is concerned it looks now like she had merely escaped from the frying pan to fall into the fire.

At the Pure Food Exposition in Convention Hall last week a lady lecturer named Mrs. Wade said the time was fast approaching when men would adopt the corset as a means of making a correct figure. O Father, hasten the day that I may live to see our old friends, Messrs. Henry Gray and William Bailey, coming to the office some fine morning laced in whalebone and wearing an up-to-date Paddock cut coat.

On the evening the Congress convened I chanced to be in the company of Colonel W. P. Brownlow, of Tennessee, and a number of Department clerks. The Colonel had introduced that day a bill shortening the hours of labor for Department clerks, and those present were showering him with congratulations. Like the rest, I fell into line, but added that I thought he might do something for the printers. "Do something," said the Colonel. "Why I have just given the print shop 400 bills to-day, and have another arm load ready when those are finished. I think," he continued, "I have proven my friendship for the printers." And I guess he is right, for its plenty of employment, fair wages, and eight hours work that we are all after.

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I doubt very much if the printers and other employes of the G. P. O. relish to a great extent the degree to which the limelight has been turned upon the shop by the mismanagement and corrupt practices of a few symposium secretaries. However, the exposures have brought to light the fact that more such "financial organizations" existed and conducted business under the roof of the Government Printing Office than most any employe ever dreamed of. The fact that so many existed is conclusive proof that the symposium business must have been a money-maker for the shareholders at least. While I have heard a number express their disapproval of the acts of the Powers That Be in suppressing the syms., recent revelations of the loose manner in which the business of some of them was conducted, the tyranny and coercion used in the collection of interest, etc., naturally leads to the belief that when the last trace of them is wiped away, both the office and the employes will be the better for their absence.

But it does not follow that all the secretaries were of that class. Neither were they nor the shareholders in the business for the sake of the interest made on the loans alone. If I understand the symposium question correctly the original intention of those forming them was for mutual benefit. By paying into the society a small sum weekly one could borrow from it whenever necessary. In other words the interest which he received from the money paid would offset that charged to him on his loan.

It is doubtful today if the symposium business would be under the ban had not a few grasping "financiers" roamed the office from cellar to garret soliciting new business for the sake of the interest.

A story is told of one "financial king" who, not content with being a stockholder in several regularly organized symposiums, did a little loan business of his own on the side. A friend whom he had known in a distant State on his arrival in Washington struck him one day for the loan of $2 until pay day.

"Sorry, old man, I haven't it myself, but I will get it for you from the sym."

Going to a secluded spot he took from his own pocket two dollars, and returning to his friend gave him the money and received thanks for his trouble. When his friend returned the money there was twenty cents interest due.

And that's the sort of business and the sort of man that put the syms. out of business in the G. P. O.

CHAS. S. GUNN.

Night Bill Force.

F. C. Roberts and John R. Purvis are respectively chairman and secretary of this Chapel.

It is considered bad form not to promenade the north side of the avenue by 2 p. m.

That musical hum and whistle is pleasant and soothing to hear. Don't be bashful, brother! Give us some more.

Simpson, of the Second, struck the goal of his ambition. He was elected chairman by a pluralty of 2 over C. P. Boss. Shake, Simp!

Pard Bloomer in last week's UNIONIST called the roll of the "bright galaxy of writers;" that's the way the novels put it, and accordingly I answer "here!"

Francis, our buxom colored woman caterer, who served the Spess these many years—she is still young, however—serves the 11 o'clock lunch for this force.

The Night Bill Force, in the guiding hands of Foreman Charlie Young, Assistants James H. Ross, Chas. W. Burnett and John Greene, Jr., since the opening night Monday the 4th, is assuming its clock-like celerity in grinding out bills.

By being transferred from the Second to the Third and from the Third Division to the Night Bill Force, five compositors will have the unique distinction of being paid seven Mondays in succession, the pay days of the three forces falling that way.

Some of our Congressmen should casually happen in during the small hours of the morning—say 2 a. m. It looks like action on board a man of war. The clinking of the keys in the hands of the imposers sounds like the clattering dishes in the cook-room of a down-town hotel when we are real busy.

If our new Public Printer, Mr. Stillings, cares to learn the ways and sentiments of his people, the ins and outs of the office, and what unionism among printers really means, he can not do better than peruse the columns of THE TRADES UNIONIST. He will find as conscientious a community as exists anywhere on earth. The printer has his sang froid and bon homme—that is his philosophy—and a good one. He does not ask for the earth; he wants justice and good wages, and he will do his share in return. There are a few erring ones, there always will be, but I believe that a study of his force will convince him that the hobgoblin and bug-a-boo talk in the papers is entirely without foundations.

HOMME VRAI.

Bindery Notes.

Bob Stack is wearing the smile that won't come off. Married life agrees with him.

A man who is not able to take care of his own money is a very poor person to be custodian of yours.

The race track is no place for the working man and a dangerous place to visit with other men's money in you. clothes.

Wm. C. Connor will winter at "The Karlheim," Winthrop Heights, D. C. He will not leave his white wyandottes for a few snowstorms.

Farmer Conger is a very happy man since the arrival of his little baby girl. He is so interested that we are afraid his crops will go in late this spring.

It is reported that Ferd Hofmann has returned to the city. His plantation was injured to such an extent by large flocks of crows that he became disgusted.

The disagreeable disclosures of the syms will soon be a thing of the past The Government Printing Office is no place for financial juggling and no one will be sorry when it is a closed incident.

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Local No. 4, I. B. of B., held their annual election last Tuesday night. The following is the vote:

President. J. L. Feeney, 299; Joseph McManus, 231.
Recording Secretary, R. T. Frailey, 167; Bernard Spellbring, 92; Jas. A. Stockman, 284.
Financial Secretary, W. E. Gallagher, 503.
Treasurer, J. A. B. Espey, 485.
Guide, M. Hagerty, 475.
Statistician, E. A. Strudley, 473.
Finance Committee (three), R. C. Lohmeyer, 404; Jos. D. Mitchell, 410; C. A. Treadway, 376; J. C. Weidman, 263.

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The entertainment and dance of the Bookbinders at National Rifles Hall, was a grand success. The talent being excellent and the hall not being overcrowded made the affair very enjoyable for the dancers.

The guests of the evening were Capt. Henry T. Brian, chief clerk of the G. P. O., the president and secretary of the National Association of Letter Carriers, a delegation from the Federation of Labor, John S. Shea, leader of the Twentieth Assembly District of New York, and Dr. Carey, of New York.

COW BOY.

That reserve work is beginning to feel scarce.

George W. Orem has charge of the intermediate force.

The Handicap Bowling League seems to be gaining favor.

Lew Hart celebrated his twenty-seventh birthday up around New York.

Charles Orem has charge of the Night Bill Force as usual, with Fred Textor as assistant.

William Harden is in charge of the *Record*, with Arthur Romhilt and Julius Wetzelas as cutters.

If votes are a token of any particular esteem, then Espey, Stockman and Gallagher are life time officers of Local No. 4.

George H. Hassel was operated on last Saturday at Sibley Hospital, Dr. Chadwick and Dr. Kelly being in attendance.

The House Manual will be on soon, but can't say postively whether it will be bound in full cloth or full morocco. The boards are beveled, so that helps a little.

The proposition to raise the dues from fifty cents per month to one dollar was early in the evening defeated. Later on the question was reconsidered and carried.

The special advance copies of the President's Annual Message to Congress were as usual bound up in elegant style, Mr. Hoiby being entrusted with the work.

The motion to strike out the symposium feature carried with it a number of members beyond the age limit and others who had been unfortunate enough to draw sick benefits.

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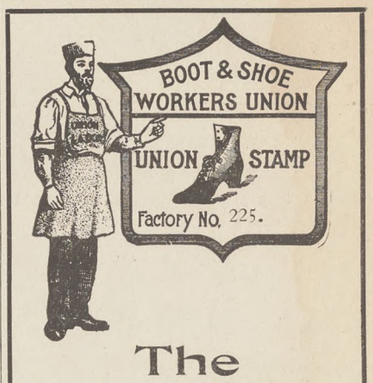

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Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

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Plate Printers Union, No. 2, meets on second Sunday in each month at 2.30 p. m., at Typographical Temple, 425 G street northwest. J. Edward Beach, President; J. C. Staats, Secretary, Kensington, Md.

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JOTTINGS BY JOHN JOTTINGER.

Ed. Thomas is again chairman of the Night Proof Room. It would be more startling if he were not, for he has held down that particular lid so long that the oldest inhabitant cannot recall to mind the name of his predecessor. At the annual formation of the various night forces we novices call chapel meetings and declare nominations for chairman in order, but Ed. scorns such amateurish methods. Gathering his constituents around him, he raises his right hand and says: "I am It." And the bunch reverently cross themselves and prepare to pay their dues.

I met Charlie Doten several days ago, and after some reference to my return to the literary ring he exclaimed: "Now if only Joe Babcock would come back!" The tone of his voice had in it unmistakable yearnings for the old days when the arena was all mussed up with blood, hair, and cuticle. But fear not, brethren. Bab and I are both older and, I hope, wiser, if not handsomer; and for one I find it easier to avoid the path that leads to conflict and more soul-satisfying to carry bouquets to the foreman and the "man higher up."

E. B. Chambers, of the Day Proof Room, resumed his duties last Thursday after a serious illness extending over several weeks. Much sympathy is expressed for this popular veteran of the reading force.

The city street employes were given a Thanksgiving dinner by the charitable ladies of the city. Why not give these men decent pay to enable them to enjoy a Thanksgiving dinner with their families?—*Raleigh (N. C.) Harbinger.*

Alas, what a sad exhibition of petulance we have here. How it must pain the great, throbbing heart of the municipality of Raleigh, North Carolina, which, in unison with other great municipal hearts, throbs overtime when the good and welfare of the laboring man is under consideration. Odds fish! Do we not wisely exercise the great American privilege of the ballot and elect to municipal office men who have made a life study of the needs of the workingman, and are they not almost invariably men who are convinced that about one dollar and fifteen cents per diem is all the real money a husky man with a family of six is to be trusted with? What would he do with more wealth than that? He might squander it on good clothes; he might buy for his wife a dress that would turn her brain and unfit her for the part a wise Providence meant her to play in this world; he might even buy a piano for his children. Right here let us pause to shudder. Thanksgiving dinner with his family indeed! Why, to quote a gentleman of my acquaintance, the demand is "wicked, unjust, confiscatory," and several other things. Are not his children offered a free education? Is not the pure air of heaven free? Is not a fairly good quality of drinking water to be obtained gratis, and bread at five cents a loaf? And now to put into the laborer's head the notion that he is entitled to a Thanksgiving dinner with his family, and perhaps a turkey dinner at that! Oh, my friends—but let us pause and shudder some more.

"Tom" Sawyer has been submerged in gloom by the untimely demise of his pet dog, and while his friends feel for him in his distress, Chairman Babcock has been too busy to pass appropriate resolutions or to canvass for flowers. However, I understand that a movement is on foot to soothe his feelings by presenting him with one of those long, low, rakish dogs—two dogs long and half a dog high—with a leg stuck on each of its four corners. This particular breed of purp is naturally bound to live much longer than the ordinary kind. (Is Bloomer's ax needed?)

Mark Barnum has scored another victory for the union shop and the label. Mark is a member of the Wisconsin Association, and at a recent meeting of that body a bill for printing was presented from Gibson Brothers, which caused him to rise up and treat the Wisconsin people to such a warm line of talk that they immediately sat up and took notice. The discussion resulted in the passage of a resolution to the effect that hereafter the people from the Badger State want to see the union label on their printing.

Col. H. F. J. Drake has been detailed to the work of collator in the Day Proof Room, having charge of all dead copy. The report that the Colonel in his younger days had seen service in the ambulance corps had considerable to do with his promotion.

The recent order against the collection of debts in the G. P. O. will be a hard blow to the *Star* man, the coal man, and the washee man, who have had a cinch heretofore, for it's mighty hard to collect debts on the outside when a shop has so many exits.

According to the *Typographical Journal* the Chicago and St. Paul branches of the United Typothetæ alone have already reported over one hundred desertions of strike breakers, who have been blacklisted under the designations of "defaulters," "deserters," ringers," "crooks," etc. Thus we find our friends the enemy in the midst of a great struggle taking the time and trouble to classify, with the minuteness and enthusiasm of trained naturalists, a creature we are in the habit of dismissing with the appellation of "rat."

The great majority of the Typothetæ members are excellent gentlemen who are learning a few things in the school of bitter experience, although their field of vision is sadly obscured at present by the almighty dollar, and when the present struggle is over and we have all resumed our former pleasant relations the employing printer will have a higher estimate of the union man, his ability and integrity, and will have completed the cataloguing and classification of that pest, the strike-breaking, contract breaking rat, who never had much respect for himself and finds it impossible to win that of others.

It's hard to think of Captain Barringer as jealously personified, but—well, I'll tell it as 'twas told to me. It seems that in the First Division six men in an alley vied with each other in telling yarns, and for a long time the Captain led the bunch, for he can tell a pretty stiff yarn without batting an eyelash; but as each of the others became more proficient the Captain began to look like an amateur at the business, which naturally roused his ire, and he plotted revenge deep and dire. When the night force was about to be organized he used (so it is alleged) his influence and had every mother's son in the alley transferred. John B. Dickman seems to have been the worst offender, so he was sent to the Proof Room. At noon last Thursday the Captain was detected peering through the iron grating that confines the comma fiends. He was rubbing his hands and chuckling with glee, saying to himself: "Talk now, and work your jaw! Dad gast it, here's where I get even with you!" Then he tightened the rubber band on his whiskers and hiked out to his lonely perch in the First.

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Nor will we hear the soft refrain
Of laughing ladies fair.

The timid typo need not fear
The "rock-pile" as of old;
The death-knell of the "Spess" is near
Our sticks and rules are cold.

Alas! we put away our tools
To rest for many a day,
Our cases and our trusty stools
We also lay away.

We do not know where we may land,
Above or down below;
Yet one in sympathy we stand
Our unionism show.

We will not shirk stern duty laid
Close to our open door;
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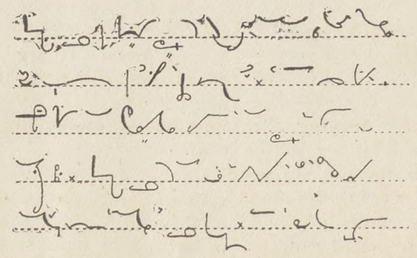

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.10 p. m. on Monday by President McCarthy.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Grievance Committee reported progress in cases of F. Endres and C. Auerbach & Son.

CREDENTIALS.

Iron Molders Union, No. 215: Wm. W. Dyer, Samuel B. Jones, Fred K. Sparrow, Samuel L. Gardner, and George E. Tolson.

Steam Fitters, No. 10: C. Hudson, F. C. Luce, C. E. Allison, H. T. Rogers, and Wm. Holehan.

The credentials were received and delegates obligated.

Bills amounting to $39.50 were read and ordered paid.

INDORSEMENTS.

The following indorsements of action of central body in declaring Dave Wolf, shoe dealer, 432 Seventh street northwest, were read:

Stenographers, No. 11773. Fine, $5.
Bookbinders Union, No. 6.
Stone Masons Union, No. 2.
Tile Helpers Union, No. 12. Fine, $20.
Cigar Makers Union, No. 10.
Electrical Workers Union, No. 26.

The following Unions have taken action indorsing attitude of Central Labor Union toward Winfield S. Jenks, stove dealer, 717 Seventh street northwest:

Electrical Workers, No. 26.
Stenographers, No. 11773.
Bookbinders Union, No. 4.
Stone Masons Union, No. 2.
Tile Layers Helpers, No. 12. Fine, $20.
Cigar Makers Union, No. 110.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Musicians: That they had appointed a committee to act in conjunction with a committee from Plate Printers Union to try and adjust the Kernan Theater trouble.

Retail Clerks: That Dave Wolf had claimed that action of central body in placing him on the unfair list was doing him good.

Steam Fitters: Expressed thanks to the central body for seating them, and that they would be found in the future as in the past devoted to the cause of labor.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Delegate Sprague made an extended verbal report as delegate to recent convention of American Federation of Labor.

Committee on Smoker asked appropriation of $8.75 to cover expenses of the recent smoker, which was agreed to.

The secretary was directed to send a letter of thanks to Hon. J. J. Jenkins, Rev. W. J. Kerby, Prof. Willis L. Moore, and T. V. Powderly, for addresses made at the smoker.

The president stated that the next meeting of the central body would fall on Christmas. On motion, it was agreed that next meeting be held on Tuesday, December 26.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The communication from Mill Workers Helpers, which was laid over from last meeting, was referred to Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners.

NEW BUSINESS.

The secretary was directed to communicate with President Gompers and inform him that the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners were not affiliated with this body.

Delegate H. W. Sherman stated that he was to leave the city, and desired to express his appreciation of the fellowship he had enjoyed as a member of the Central Labor Union and desired to thank all delegates for past favors, and wished the organization success.

Delegate Feeney moved that the body express its regret at the departure of Delegate Sherman from the city, which was adopted unanimously.

A committee consisting of Delegates Sprague, Feeney and Ring were appointed to draft suitable resolutions to be presented to Delegate Sherman.

AMENDMENT.

The amendment to section 11 of the Constitution, defining the vote on appropriations other than for current expenses was then taken up. On a vote the amendment to make a two-third vote apply in such case instead of nine-tenths was adopted.

Adjourned.

THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is not at all like the master of a certain yarnyard. In the morning he went out to hire laborers, and having agreed to give them each a penny a day sent them into his yard to labor. And some who were scribes were set to writing yarns upon papyrus, and others to graving fantastic shapes upon brazen plates, and others yet again to making these writings and these likenesses into books. The master went out again at the third and the sixth and the ninth hour, and seeing many printermen standing idle sent them into his yarnyard, telling them that he would give them what was right. And at the eleventh hour he swore a weird Oriental oath, which being interpreted meant that the paper was stuck, and he sent other men into the yard upon the same terms. ¶In the evening the master called to the laborers to come up to the captain's office, as, being an honest man, he desired to settle. To those who had labored from the morning he paid each man a penny; but to those who had labored only from the third or the sixth or the ninth or the eleventh hour he passed out a portion of a penny corresponding to the time the man had labored, saying that he had agreed to give them what was right, and that this was just the exact amount, as he always stood at the head of his class when ciphering fractions. ¶Then the laborers drew apart together and murmured against the master; and presently one of their number was delegated to speak for the many. Drawing anigh he lifted up his voice and said: ¶"O master, live forever! but we are members of the Union, and its law is just, which says that no man called in an emergency shall be asked to receive less than a day's pay." ¶And when the master had heard this he was exceeding wroth, and he arose in the atmosphere and shouted in a loud voice that he'd be somethingorother if he'd pay it. He said it was not the money he minded—it was the principle involved; that that sort of thing might do for story books, but it wasn't business, and he was a business man. ¶But the delegate remained firm, and said that if the rag got out on the morrow it would be like unto a miracle, for no Square Man would work for a Skin Flint. ¶In the end the master paid each man a penny; but, to save his face, he decreed that he who had spoken for the others should never enter his yarnyard again. ¶And so it is to-day: the generosity of the many is miscalled and a few pieces of silver chosen above the Kingdom of Righteousness.

J. A. H.

COLUMBIA UNION MEETING.

The regular monthly meeting of Columbia Typographical Union was called to order at 2.30 p. m. last Sunday by President Berg.

Sam DeNedry was appointed doorkeeper.

The minutes of last regular meeting were read and approved.

Traveling cards received since last meeting were read and accepted.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.

The committee made a favorable report on Bernhard Schwartz and J. T. Cowen, and they were duly elected.

Favorable action was also reported on application of W. J. Frizzell for reinstatement, and he was duly elected.

Favorable action was reported on applications of E. N. Warner, David McCarthy, and J. J. Tomlin for apprentice membership, and they were duly elected.

Favorable action was reported on the applications of Arthur W. Harkness, Gerald D. Martin, and J. S. Lochran for full membership, and they were duly elected.

Bills amounting to $70.65 were read and ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Central Labor Union, notifying the Union that Dave Wolf, shoe dealer, 432 Seventh street northwest, and W. S. Jenks, stove dealer, 717 Seventh street northwest, on the unfair list. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Oil Wagon Drivers Union asking for moral support. Placed on file.

From Fort Wayne Union, No. 78, notifying this Union that Congressman Newton Gilbert is a member of No. 78. Placed on file.

The application of Miss Nellie Shipman for admission to The Union Printers Home was read and referred to a committee, which committee reported favorably on the application and the secretary was instructed to forward same to I. T. U. headquarters with request that it be made an emergency case.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Grievance Committee reported that they had considered grievance of Retail Clerks Union, No. 262, against Dave Wolf, shoe dealer, 432 Seventh street northwest, and recommend that Dave Wolf be placed on the Union's unfair list. The report was adopted.

The Memorial Committee reported that the service recently held was well attended and asked that the secretary convey the thanks of the Union to the ladies and gentlemen who aided in making the service a success. Concurred in.

The Down-Town Newspaper Scale Committee made a report, which was considered in executive session.

The Eight-Hour Committee also submitteed a report, which was considered in executive session.

A delegation from Retail Clerks Union, No. 262, were given the privilege of the floor and placed the attitude of Dave Wolf, shoe dealer, 432 Seventh street northwest, to that Union before the body.

The secretary reported that C. E. Sikken had decided not to enter the Union Printers Home at this time, and the certificate of admission had been returned to the Secretary-Treasurer of the I. T. U.

Mr. Roberts moved that the sum of $2 be sent to each member of the Union resident at the Union Printers' Home. An amendment to make it $2.50 gold was put, and the amendment was carried.

Mr. Roberts offered a resolution that the Printing Committee be directed to consider the advisability of issuing a monthly bulletin. The resolution was defeated.

Mr. Goodkey presented a resolution which created a heated discussion and called forth innumerable points of order until the matter was disposed of by laying it on the table.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

Revival Services.

The Ninth Street Christian Church, on Capitol Hill, a favorite place of worship for many typos, is preparing on a large scale for a revival to begin December 31.

The pastor, Rev. E. B. Bagby, will be assisted by Rev. Peter Ainslee, the eloquent pastor of the Christian Temple, Baltimore, and Mr. W. E. M. Hackleman, of Indianapolis, as soloist and chorus leader.

Mr. Ainslee's subjects for the first week are as follows:

Dec. 31. "In the School of Jesus."
Jan. 2. "The Message of Jesus."
Jan. 3. "The Health of the Soul."
Jan. 4. "Who is the Present Helper?"
Jan. 5. "What is the Divine Relationship?"

CARLOTTA'S INDECISION.

[From the *Catholic Standard and Times.*]

I would like mooch to know
Why Charlotta treat me so.
Evra time I ask eef she
Ees gon' marry weetha me,
First she smila, den she frown,
Den she look me up an' down,
Den she shak' her head an' say:
"I gon' tal you Chrees'mas Day."

Once w'en we are out for walk
An' I am begin to talk,
She say: "Don'ta speak no more.
Oh, com', see dees jew'ler store.
My! jus' look dat di'mon' reeng!
Eet ees justa sweetes' theeng!
Only seexa-feefty, see?"
Dat's da way she teasa me.
Findin' theengs for talka 'bout
Jus' for mak' me shut my mout'.
Bimeby we'en she turn for go
I say: "Com', I musta know—"
"Oh!" she stamp her foot an' say:
"I gon' tal you Chrees'mas Day."

I would like mooch to know
Why Carlotta treat me so.
W'ata for she always say:
"I gon' tal you Chrees'mas Day?"

Our Anna.

[Chas. W. Frear, in *Kansas City Labor Herald.*]

The time has arrived in the history of the Union Printers' Home, when the women members of the I. T. U. should be represented on the board of trustees. I suggest that the friends of Miss Anna Wilson, who represented Washington at St. Louis, bring her out as a candidate for trustee next year.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

I have nothing of interest relative to the Navy Yard this week, owing to the fact that I have been absent on leave, spending the time down in Southern Maryland on my annual hunting trip. It has been my custom for many years to spend one week at the old homestead. As I grow older each year I find something new as a drawing card to make me wish again for my boyhood days down on the farm. While it is true that nearly all of my associates have passed over the river, yet there remains that feeling of relief and comfort not to be found in the great cities when one casts off all cares and troubles, when he leaves bricks and mortar behind him for the pleasure of toasting his shins at the old-fashioned fireplace.

The memories of those boyhood days I can better describe in the following verses:

My boyhood's days, how fresh they come
Across my memory's pages stealing,
The pleasures of my childhood home
In all their brilliancy revealing.

I sit once more before the hearth
And listen to the oft-told story
Of ghosts that wander through the earth
In search of fields of blood and glory.

I see the same well-cushioned chair
On which my ancient sire rested,
While with a heart as light as air
Its sleep-procuring power he tested.

The Bible lies upon the stand,
And mother, o'er its pages leaning,
Her spectacles within her hand,
Is telling us its real meaning.

The little stream beyond the hill
Is just as clear this very minute,
And flows along as smooth and still
As when we fished for minnows in it.

Just there, beneath the ample shade
Of that far-spreading weeping-willow,
My weary limbs I've often laid
And found the turf a welcome pillow.

Old Brindle, with her crooked horn,
Seems still right fond of new mown clover,
And looks as cunning as the morn
She kicked the milk-maid's bucket over.

And Dolly, too, the sorrel mare,
She always was a knowing creature,
I've heard my father oft declare
She'd learn just what you chose to teach her.

And so I think of my boyhood days, how fresh they come
Across my memory's pages stealing,
The pleasures of my youthful home
In all their brilliancy revealing.

* * * *

Now and then we witness incidents that should never enter the sacred portals of a lodge room, I believe, in debate. I sanction criticism, not of individuals, but of matter. By so doing we bring out the kernel of the nut. But when brothers who are banded together for one purpose, that of elevating themselves and bettering their condition by association, forget themselves and their obligations and enter into personalities that only breed discord, then it is time that the conservative element of that body should boldly step into the arena and say in a manner so positive that there can be no misunderstanding. Thus far shalt thou go and no farther.

The best illustration of this desire on the part of members to quarrel with each other is given in the report of a trial between Mr. Tongue and Mr. Heart. The public will be pleased to hear of the following suit, and the judgment which has been given in favor of Mr. Tongue.

We think that the plea set up was a good one, and we hope for the future that Mr. Heart will either be compelled to change his quarters or the more effectual step be taken to reform him from his bad habits. We have long been of the opinion that he has much to do in inciting to mischief this otherwise innocent personage, and that the principal should be held to a strict accountability for the numerous evils which this agent has done and is doing.

We call attention to him and would warn the public to be on their guard, as we have reason to believe that of late he has been particularly busy in his deceitful work.

Mr. Tongue was charged with being "an unruly evil, full of deadly poison," and in proof of the charge the law-book was produced and a passage cited from James, third chapter and eighth verse.

Mr. Tongue replied that if it were not for Mr. Heart, who lived a little way below him, he should be as innocent as his neighbor, Mr. Nose, and Messrs. Eyes, and in support of his position he cited a passage from the same law book, Matthew, fifteenth chapter, eighteenth verse.

The court decided that the defense was a sound one, and that nothing really could be expected from Mr. Tongue until a radical change should take place in his neighbor, Mr. Heart.

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I am going to read a lecture to my lady readers of THE TRADES UNIONIST, with the expectation that the shoe will find at least some of them.

In the first place try to be courteous at home. How much does it cost you to say, "I thank you." Why not practice politeness at home—to your husband, to your children, if so blessed, and even to your domestics when necessary. If a stranger does you some little act of courtesy, how sweet the smiling acknowledgement. If your husband, ah, it is a matter of course—no need of thanks. Should an acquaintance tread on your dress, your best, very best, and by accident tear it, how profuse you are with your "Never mind—don't think of it—really I don't care at all." But if that unfortunate being is your husband, he gets either a frown or a scolding, and if a child it may get a chastisement. Ah, these are little things, you say, but they tell mightily upon the heart, let me assure you, little as they are. But men are just as cruel. A gentlemen stops at a friend's house, and finds it in confusion. He sees nothing for which to apologize, never thinks of such matters. Everything seems just right. Cold supper, cold room, crying children—perfectly comfortable. But when he goes home where his wife has been taking care of the sick ones, and working her life almost out—"Don't see why things can't be kept in order—there never were such cross children before. No apologies accepted at home. Why not be polite at home. Why not use freely that golden coin of courtesy. Just think, man or woman, how sweetly they sound, these little words, "Thank you, husband," or "Thank you, wife," or "You are very kind," doubly, yes, thrice sweet from the lips we love when her smile makes the eye sparkle with the light of affection. Again, be polite to your children. Do not expect them to be mindful of your welfare, to grow glad at your approach, to bound away to do your pleasure, before the request is half spoken. Then with all your dignity and authority add the essence of politeness. Give it a niche in your household temple and you will be amply rewarded.

TIM TICKLE.

The Attack on Gompers.

[From *The Kewanee Labor Herald.*]

The attacks of the Socialists on President Gompers at the Pittsburg Convention of the American Federation of Labor caused comment from all quarters, especially from the labor press. Editor Sexton, of the *United Mine Workers' Journal*, asks two questions, suggested by the Socialists' attack, and then answers these two questions as follows:

Is it wise to be in a state of armed neutrality or in a state of seige with your employers?

Is it profitable or politic to repel, rebuff, and insult every powerful influence that would array itself on your side in your battle for better wages or better conditions?

Messrs. Hayes and Berger seem to think so, and lose no opportunity to insult and anathemize the powerful forces comprising the Civic Federation. They point the finger of scorn at men with better mental balance who meet these forces and try to direct them towards organized labor's goal.

According to these two worthies and some of their following, the officers of the labor unions should repel these overtures with contumely and derision and assume a belligerent attitude and utter defiance at men seeking to conciliate inharmonious elements. The *Journal* will refrain from gloating over the pitiful results which the leadership of Messrs. Hayes and Berger have obtained in their immediate neighborhoods.

It is a fact—a remarkable fact—that all these assaults upon organized labor and their officials come from members of the Typographical Union, and it is a pertinent question whether the members of these Unions in Cleveland and Milwaukee uphold and countenance these attacks. This question will have to be answered, and then other Unions will not hesitate about what to do in the matter. These two men continually and habitually insult, traduce and blackguard the officials of all other Unions, and do this under pretense that political necessity calls for it. While no one would think for a moment of curtailing or interfering with the political rights, opinions, or liberty of these two men, yet they do not hesitate to savagely assault the rights of others. They ask for themselves that which they refuse to accord to others, and do it in a manner that calls for reprisal.

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THE PRESIDENT wouldn't stand PAT GARRETT.

HIGH finance and low cunning too frequently go together.

IT WOULD appear that JAMES HAZEN HYDE hasn't lost all his assurance yet.

NOW is the time for Fisherman CLEVELAND to express his opinion on rebates.

IT WOULD seem more like the real thing if food shows included pie-eating contests.

AMONG imprintable things is what the chaffeur sometimes thinks of automobile chaffers.

THE sick man of Europe got red in the face and mussed up the bed clothes, but he took his medicine.

CONGRESSIONAL minorities are apt to prove an exception to the rule that a short horse is soon curried.

IF NOT forbidden in the regulations of the District Commissioners, somebody ought to write a poem on "The Beautiful Slush."

IN VIEW of the reasons given for their downfall by small grafters, it seems a pity that there is no curfew law for children of untender years.

MERELY as a matter of idle curiosity we would like to know whether the canals of Mars were built with or without the aid of a press agent.

SENATOR NEWLAND'S proposition that the construction of the Panama Canal should be intrusted to the Geological Survey seems to indicate dissatisfaction with the manner in which SHONTS'S Commission has made the rocks fly.

Union Propagandism.

Never have employers of labor put up so stiff a fight in opposition to trade unionism as at the present time. It is true that there are many, perhaps a majority, of the employing printers always ready to listen to the reasonable demands of their employees were it not for the rapacious activity of others who see or pretend to see a menace to society in combinations of labor for the improvement of the laboring man's industrial condition. The PARRYS, the BAERS, the POSTS, the OTISES, and others of their kind, viewing the relation of labor to capital from the mere wealth-accumulating point of view of their own sordid individualities, fail to understand the fundamental principles upon which depends the permanent welfare of all classes. For obvious reasons these men receive the sympathy of quite a proportion of the more conservative or thoughtless of their class, and backed by the direct power of wealth and by their social and industrial position have developed an opposition to the growth of unionism which, while it is futile, makes it necessary for every citizen who works for wages to consider seriously his duty as a factor in the development of industrial conditions.

Fortunately the preponderance of intelligence among those engaged in manual toil is favorable to the combination of individuals for the material advancement of their various trades and callings.

But there are a respectable class of intelligent men in every community, with interests directly or indirectly involved in the welfare of organized labor, who, as we think, fail to appreciate their true relation to the labor movement. We refer to retail tradesmen, for instance, as well as professional men generally. These men are usually sincere as well as public-spirited, and when convinced of the justice of organized labor's attitude are apt to prove its staunchest defenders. It should therefore be the aim of trade unions and of trade unionists individually to convince members of this influential class that the work of organized labor is in the direction of social betterment. This result can be achieved by the union through fairness in its demands and conservatism in its methods. The unionist as an individual can further the cause both by argument and by his general bearing as a man and a citizen. So far as argument is concerned, no one will deny that the material welfare of the so-called masses is the bedrock of the social fabric.

Where high wages are the rule money circulates freely, and the business of the corner grocer flourishes; the doctor is not forced to practice his profession without adequate remuneration; the struggling young lawyer is not so long without a brief, and legal fees are likely to be more certain and liberal; while the ministers of the gospel will find it much easier to avoid and wipe out church debts besides finding the souls he seeks to save more readily won by the appeals of religion and morality. Under such conditions the burden of taxation will be cheerfully borne and the cause of education and all public and semi-public institutions will flourish. In a word, it may be well to insist again and yet again that, generally speaking, high wages mean healthier living; healthier living means higher thinking; higher thinking means progress toward that industrial peace which is the desire of good citizens of every class.

We are pleased to believe that direct and indirect arguments along this line have produced marvelous results within a few years past, and that union propagandism will in the not very remote future overcome all opposition to the labor movement based on misrepresentation and hasty conclusions.

Labor on the Isthmus.

We must confess to some dissatisfaction with the manner in which the press is treating the question of labor on the Isthmus of Panama. While there is here and there a sincere and strong protest against the threatened appearance of Uncle Sam in the Canal drama in the role of a slave-driver, there is too general a disposition to take the ground that, inasmuch as the field of work will be far-removed and the laborers largely or altogether drawn from foreign sources, it possibly may not be expedient to adhere too closely to the humane regulations and methods which operate within the strictly Constitutional zone of these United States. It is very evident, too, that unless something definite is done in this connection labor conditions on the Isthmus will call for investigation and be a source of political irritation and infinite trouble in the future. Chairman SHONTS has already expressed himself as in favor of cheap labor and opposed to the operation of the labor laws of the United States within the Canal Zone. If he has his way it is pretty certain that the coolies or West Indian blacks or other laborers employed in the construction of the canal will receive tropical pay for a tropical day's work and have a tropical time of it generally. This, in the course of time, will give the sentimental "knocker" a chance to knock, and more or less unsavory probing will result. We therefore think that Congress would do well to take some action before the dirt begins to fly. Not that we would tie the hands of the Canal Commission, but rather that we would save the country from possible disgrace and at the same time have such a policy inaugurated as in the long run would prove more economical and satisfactory in every way than the niggardly cheap-labor arrangement which eminent engineers in the employ of the United States should themselves have the wisdom to avoid. A special Panama labor law naming the number of hours which shall constitute a day's work, fixing a minimum wage-rate, and generally providing for the fair treatment of canal laborers would just about serve the purpose.

Are They Sincere?

It would be interesting to know just how much sincerety there is in the attitude of the rank and file of Typothetae. They are all good citizens, and some of them are exceptionally intelligent and public spirited. We are accordingly unwilling to believe that a large majority of them are thoroughly in sympathy with the effort to defeat the eight-hour movement. Many of them doubtless are moved by false professional pride to adhere to the cause of the open shop. There are quite a number of them, we are very certain, who for personal as well as general reasons would welcome the eight-hour day if it were not for the competition of their more selfish rivals in business. They know that modern business methods and facilities and the use of improved machinery warrant the shortening of the workday. If it were not for their unfortunate bondage to the tallow-dip ideas of the PARRYS and POSTS, none would find greater satisfaction in forwarding the development of an age of industrial equity and popular enlightenment, of good cheer and human fellowship.

Room For Doubt.

The advocates of the so-called open shop lay great stress upon their desire to improve the condition of the workingman. If we are to believe them, the trade union restricts his freedom, impairs his citizenship, and interferes with his progress toward material independence. In other words, the workingman has created a monstrous organization which reaches out with cold and clammy tentacles to restrict his freedom of movement as a man and citizen. If all this were true, the situation would, indeed, be lamentable. For to be devoured blood raw by a monster of one's own creation is about as unsatisfactory a method of self destruction as can well be imagined. However, we are not yet fully convinced of the soundness of the open-shopper's contention. It may be possible that they do admire and cherish the poor workingman more than he knows how to admire and cherish himself. But until it is demonstrated that the open-shop actually pays higher wages under better conditions than obtain in union establishments, we will have to maintain an attitude of stiff-necked doubt.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

The Executive Council of the I. T. U. asks that we assess ourself 10 per cent of our wages to carry the strike through to a successful issue. That is one-tenth of what those pay who have gone on strike, for they have given up their entire income, with the exception of what the I. T. U. pays as a strike benefit. It only means a long and strong pull together for a little time, when the victory will be ours, and all over the country the craft will enjoy the blessing we have had for thirty-seven years—an eight hour day. Let us carry it with a rush and pay it with a will—we who know that unionism is the only alternative to ill-requited toil and half-slavery. The battle will be won within the first thirty days after New Year's. In nearly every city where the fight is on the local unions have levied and the membership have been cheerfully paying a 10 per cent assessment, and in St. Paul, Minneapolis, and Detroit the amount has been 15 per cent. There are no better union men than we of Columbia Union nor any who are more devoted to the cause. The referendum vote will be taken next Wednesday, December 27. Defeat will mean disaster in the Government Printing Office as well as everywhere else, especially in the face of the present agitation to reduce the expenses of the public printing. Eight hours for everybody! Banzai!

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The reasoning of the professional "panhandler"—the printer "panhandler," I mean—is on a par with that of a four-year-old "kid." You have something that he wants, and if you do not give it to him you are—you know what you are. It does not seem to occur to him that his and your rights in what you have are not equal. His idea is, if there is any, he has a right to some of it. The fact that you have worked for what you have and refrained from spending it, while he has dallied with the wine cup when he might have done the same thing, has no bearing on his rights. Like the grasshopper in the fable of "The Ant and the Grasshopper," after playing seven-up all Summer, he goes to the ant when winter comes, clad in his nankeen trousers and straw hat, and asks the ant to give him some of his store. And the ant knows what he is if he doesn't do it. You can't expect the *entente cordiale* to continue between you and him if you refuse, if you should regard it as desirable that the cordial relations should continue. He fails to understand that his right to ask in itself implies your right to refuse, else he would not ask, but demand. No; you have money and he has none, and you know what you are if you don't give him some. I deny that I have had any recent unpleasant experiences.

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It has been stated in a number of publications that H. G. Otis, of the "rat" Los Angeles *Times*, wrote a number of letters or communicated in some way with many printers in the G. P. O., promising them all immunity if they would refuse to pay union dues and so raise the issue. But I am gratified to say that so far his offers have been repelled with the contempt they deserve. The men in the G. P. O. are true, loyal union men, not to be seduced by a professed enemy of organized and so of all but slave labor. They have never been found lacking when unionism was the test, and no considerable number of them ever will be. The votes by which the assessments to carry on the eight-hour strike were carried show the sentiment, and the few who voted against them are not to be held as any the less union men, but only differing in opinion as to the necessity for any assessment. Let no one imagine that G. P. O. men are not union men from principle or that they are to be seduced from their unionism by such men as Otis or any other enemy of organized labor.

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Sonny Gunn welcomes me back to the TRADES UNIONIST fold, being satisfied that it will not be long until we will hear of the whereabouts of "Texas" Smith. I am glad to report that "Texas" is again at Stryker, Ohio, after a brief tour, but sorry to note that his boss not having made good, he has withdrawn his promise to name his first boy after him.

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I have had the pleasure of receiving "Lahoma," a song written by William Kenworthy, the music by Bert C. Elliott. I have not tried it yet, but the title-page is pretty and the notes have a real musical look. This is the second venture of these gentlemen in the lyrical world.

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The sympathy with Charles O. Doten, of the Fifth Division, in the loss of his wife is universal. Mrs. Doten, who had long been a patient sufferer from tuberculosis, died near Fredericksburg, Va., December 9, and was burried at Salem Church, near there. Mr. and Mrs. Doten had been married thirteen years. A son about three and a half years old was the only issue of the marriage.

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Last week I mentioned the quandary in which Lon Shimp and his partner in the publication of the Georgetown (Wash.)—that has a D. C. sound, hasn't it?—*News* were placed by a party split in the local campaign there, and were forced to take sides by the importation of another paper. I am happy to note that Shimp and his faction won out at the election. May similar success ever attend the efforts of the *News* and its gamy editors.

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If you have it in your head to do some magnificent secret or detective work in behalf of the Union in connection with the impending strike, take the president or secretary or some member of the Eight-Hour Committee into your confidence and be guided by his advice before executing your plan. Unauthorized work sometimes leads to serious embarrassment and may be repudiated by the Union, in which event you might find yourself in a position which will be very uncomfortable. All the officers and members of the committee are astute gentlemen and will readily recognize the advantage possible for work such as you may contemplate. You will receive fully as much credit in the end, and it is possible that you will save yourself a whole lot of trouble.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

Yes, in the shuffle, the First lost out on Doc. Radley.

The editorials in our journal—THE TRADES UNIONIST—have a true and welcome Ring.

Would you believe it, there were 264 bill-forms in chase the other day? Straight goods. Our authority, John S. Burnside.

Certainly we will be granted the half holiday preceding Xmas and New Year's, though it precedes the Sabbath. Why not?

C. M. Evans, Benedict Kirsch, and Charles A. Coe were transferred to this Division from the Treasury Division recently.

C. H. McGraw, "apron man," has been obliged to undergo an operation for appendicitis. He was getting along finely from last reports.

We overlooked the promotions of Messrs. Beddow and T. L. Jones, of the Second Division to the Proof Division, Col. Chas. M. Robinson, chief.

Rumor Committee announces the candidacy of Joseph E. Goodkey, of the Third Division, for trustee at the approaching election of Columbia Union 101. Joe is all right. For further particulars read Major Sylvester's annual report, who refers in the kindest terms to our fellow-workman.

Orme S. Salem has received a probationary appointment as "Boy Messenger" and was assigned to Assistant Foreman of Printing Spottswood's room.

Don't blame your tardiness on the elevator. Cut loose from the G street front before the whistle blows. But it is mighty near the truth, some people "once late always late."

And now "Larry" Pierce is the authority for Heidy's "gum-shoe" campaign. But he got there all the same. Send the news over to the proprietor of the Carlisle Shoe Factory.

James S. Bixler, a compositor in the bill-room twenty-five years ago is in New York City. There are not a few who remember "Bix," or "Spunky Jim," as he was then known.

A mysterious visit down town the other noon hour by one of the "cage-ites" and Simon Pocher (ch soft not hard). Christmas tide gifts, we presume, if we can claim the right.

Sympathy is extended to our brother workman, Will K. Martin, of the Spess, in the death of his mother, a venerable lady in the eighty-first year of her age. Hers, indeed, has been an eventful life.

Eugene Strohmeyer and Wm. E. Anderson, temporary appointments, were assigned cases in this Division. At the same time W. A. Mitchell, a transfer from the night side, was consigned to slug 83.

Just as we predicted the last detail of day imposers, occasioned by the avalanche of 7,000 bills, was a "kid-gloved" bunch. They did good and efficient work, however, and made a record breaking week.

Don't forget to inspect Oscar Bellinger's new "case" desk, whatever the term implies. 'Tis not only a beauty, but can be closed up at the end of the day's work like a jackknife and put out of the way of the night force.

Night Assistant Foreman of Printing Young is the gentleman in charge of the G. P. O. when "the shadows begin to fall." No better selection or more deserved promotion. Rah for Bloomingdale; it can now be seen on the map.

One of the busy-izzy compositors in this Division each succeeding morning is E. M. Root. What is left for him by the night side is a plenty. But thank goodness he manages to get away with the miscellaneous assortment during the morning hour. "Right man in the right place," decidedly so.

W. H. McCray, formerly employed in the carpenter shop of the G. P. O., since his separation from the service is a very successful building contractor, with handsome office in the Atlantic Building. Incidentally many of the buildings erected hereabouts by the War Department have been designed and built by Mr. McCray.

Listen as intently as you may, not a sound comes to the ear giving note of the name of the one who aspires to the Presidency of Columbia 101. The hoary maxim of the early bird and the worm should be considered by aspirants. But we have in close mind a friend for this exalted position who has already most satisfactorily and honorably filled similar positions elsewhere in large cities. Should such an individual be prevailed upon to accept this high honor everybody would more than pleased. He is not a candidate, and to our knowledge his name has never been thought of.

At the urgent request of President Calvert of Philadelphia Typographical Union, No. 2, Philip S. Steele was urgently invited to attend the memorial services of the late Ernest Kreft held in the Grand Opera House on Sunday, December 10, in that city. Mr. Steele not only opened the exercises with prayer, but in the absence of the principal speaker, Wm. B. Prescott, ex-President of the International Typographical Union, who was unavoidably detained, made the principal address. Our friend, as usual, acquitted himself creditably, and was the recipient of many courtesies during his brief visit.

The daily press of the past week have record of the death of A. T. Maupin, who was connected with the Great Printing Office for a long period. He was also a noble veteran of the civil war. The many who intimately knew and liked Mr. Maupin—and these were not a few—will enduringly remember and revere him as a man of high, fixed principles, who matured his judgments of men and matters after close scrutiny and thorough analysis. His connections and aims and purposes were not transitory. And he was a man of marked piety of life, pure in thought and word. We doubt if any one can recall an impure word that was an utterance of his lips. A character such as his is more than admirable.

Editor of THE TRADES UNIONIST:

Several months since I voluntarily assumed the responsibility of correspondent from the Division in which I have been permitted to toil these many years.

If I have in the slightest degree aided you in the chosen field of your choice I am more fully repaid than I can express.

With the expressed wish for your increased success I voluntarily cease to be a contributor.

Permit me to wish you and all your associates a Merry Xmas and Happy Prosperous New Year.

ROUGH WRITER.

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Sixth Division.

Last Sunday's meeting of the Union was a corker both in point of numbers and in enthusiasm. Any member present who feels that he did not have his money's worth may have same returned by presenting his seat coupon at the box office. The spirit of '76 is not dead with Washington printers.

Over in Virginia the other day a fellow who had borrowed $10 from a loan association, and who had paid $43.50 interest in one year on the same renigged on further payment and was hauled into court. The judge who tried the case decided the borrower had paid enough for his loan and dismissed the case. Between the judge who dismissed the injunction against the striking printers and the above mentioned one, Virginia has a pretty good pair to draw to.

The fear expressed by a few printers that the credit of the craft in general is being weakened by the recent defalcations of a few symposiums secretaries seems to me to be without foundation. As a general thing business men do not judge their customers on the reputation of others. A man whose standing with his grocery man, his landlord, and his neighbors is all right, need lose no sleep over the fact that among the thousands of employes here and there is found one who has been tried and found to be crooked.

John F. Luitich, of this Division, puts in his spare time managing a local theatrical organization known as "The Players," which gave a performance at National Rifles Armory on Wednesday evening. The company is composed of some of the best local talent, and the repertoire of plays consists of such charming melodramas as "Pink Dominoes," "Hazel Kirke," "Capt. Swift," "Ticket-of-Leave Man," etc. Mr. Luitich is negotiating for the Empire Theatre at which he expects to present the company in the above plays next summer.

The Sixth Division is going to have a bowling team. It's going to be a a crackerjack and composed of bowlers from Bowlville. The First Division team has been selected as the first victim, and what will be done to them won't look well in print when the two teams come together. The gentlemen composing this team are Dr. Charles Radley, J. S. Garner, Ed. H. Sturm, R. L. Moler, Arthur H. Rossall, Frank O. Jones and Ansley C. Martin. The date for the slaughter hasn't been determined on, but due notice will be given.

Girl stenographers up in Winona, Minn., according to the press reports, have taken the places of striking machine operators. To the uninitiated this sounds all right, and will probably have a tendency to raise hopes in the breast of the typewriter girl that she may yet be queen of the print shop. The knowing ones, however, are aware that it takes more than the knowledge of a Smith-Premier or a Remington to get over the dead line with a Merg or a Lanston and make connections with the payroll. But worse still. Suppose the statesmen of Winona should swamp the shop with bills requiring hand composition? Then what?

James Monroe Kreiter, of the Washington *Post*, has started a movement through the *Typographical Journal* which is not only being received with enthusiasm throughout the country, but will probably result in a magnificent addition to the Printers Home Library. Mr. Kreiter's proposition is that delegates and visitors attending the Colorado Springs Convention next year each present to the Home Library a book; also that the Unions not sending a delegate do likewise. Not only am I heartily in favor of Mr. Kreiter's suggestion, but would suggest that local members send by their delegates a few choice books for the Home inmate to while away the lonely hours. In a way the inmates of the Home are our guests, and the same consideration for their comfort should be given them that would be were their sojourn being passed within our own threshhold.

Miss Nellie Shipman, of the Third Division, one of the best known of the lady compositors, has applied for and been granted admission to the Union Printers Home at Colorado Springs. In appearance Miss Shipman would give the impression of one in excellent health, when in fact her condition is such that to remain longer in Washington must soon bring her to her death. Miss Shipman will be the second woman to have entered the Printers Home as an inmate, the first, Mrs. Wilson, also of Columbia, having vacated and taken up private residence in Denver. During Mrs. Wilson's occupancy of the Home there were rumors to the effect that her treatment was not what it should be, etc. The position of Superintendent Deacon is a trying one at best, and rumors should not be given credence without substantiation, but after Miss Shipman takes up her abode there if the same rumors continue to float around of ill treatment to lady inmates then it will be the duty of Columbia Union to do a little investigating on its own hook and see if there isn't a little fire back of so much smoke.

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S. Th. Westdal has been promoted to copy editor. He takes the place of Dan Vaughan.

Samuel T. Esmay's daughter has been seriously ill compelling him to be in attendance.

Another defaulter. This time not a printer, thank goodness; nor a sym. manager either.

Temporaries throng the avenue, waiting their turn as the barometer drops —86, 85, 84—called!

J. N. Race will spend Christmas at Fort Lee, on the Palisades opposite New York, where his family resides.

Maud S. is foxy. He scents out the cream of news items, and then serves them up a la Delmonico on the front page.

Three men dropped on account of "booze." Beware of too much tanglefoot and down-town exhilarator. It don't pay!

The checker game holds its own as usual when the craft is called from labor to refreshment, 11 p. m. Some of the best players in the office are on the Night Bill Force.

I see my old friend Monty (Montgomery) had a goodly versification in THE TRADES UNIONIST last week descriptive of the passing of the old and the coming of the new. Let us hope, Monty, that we are not "cast" out untimely, anyway.

S. L. Battles and L. J. Clements are in their fourth year of study in medicine. The latter recently worked till 5.30 a. m., went home, and, after retiring, arose at 7 o'clock and attended a medical lecture at 8 o'clock That is the way printers secure an education E. T. Stevenson is in his third year of study.

Captain H. T. Brian, recently confirmed as Chief Clerk, is the inventor of the "line type," as the type used for striking out clauses in amended bills is designated. The type has a line running through the center of each letter precisely as a writer would draw his pen across a sentence to eliminate it. As a matter of fact, this type is a blessing to hand typesetters in more ways than one.

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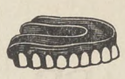

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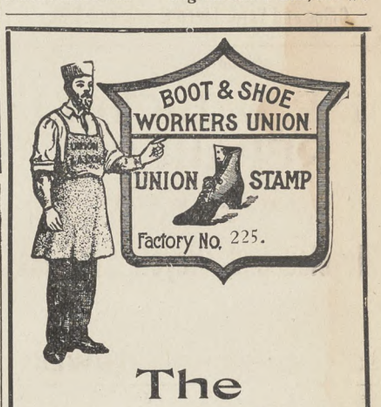

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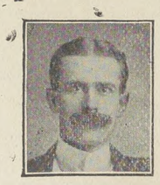

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The announcement that hereafter merit alone will cut any ice in the big print shop was extremely gratifying to all those who give to every task their best endeavors, but for a little while at least a large part of Mr. Stillings' force of hired hands will claim residence in Missouri.

I notice that the literati all took a throw at the defunct symposiums last week, and the sentiments expressed were pretty much of a color. Perhaps at this time of year it is quite natural to feel grouchy at anything in the line of a money-lending institution, for the gladsome yuletide certainly knocks the stuffing out of one's pocketbook, and even the thought of getting into the hands (or books) of a loan shark, in or out of the office, is apt to give one a sour stomach. Far be it from me to say a word in defense of the shylocking contingent, but it strikes me that the people who got squeezed were intelligent enough to know what they were doing when they borrowed at one hundred per cent, and as they generally borrowed simply because borrowing was easy, without giving the day of settlement much thought, I beg to be excused from feeling very sorry for them.

A revival of the Bloomer-Gunn farce-comedy seems to be imminent, with "Texas" Smith in the stellar role of the slap stick. Secure your seats early and avoid the rush.

I hope the optimistic utterances of Brother Kreiter in the *Typographical Journal* will not raise too high in the breasts of the down-town contingent the hope that the next president of Columbia Union will come from their ranks. We have too many able and willing men in the G. P. O. who are not only capable of filling that position with credit and honor, but who can command the necessary votes to be elected, which is perhaps more to the point. The writer has in mind one man in particular whose record of faithful and unselfish service for Columbia Union and for unionism in general is not surpassed by that of any other printer in Washington. His friends have for years been waiting for his consent to show their appreciation of his unceasing and faithful labors for the advancement of his fellows, and if he decides to make the race next spring it were the merest folly for any down-town man to oppose him, for his friends are legion. I have the greatest respect for the down-town boys, and am satisfied that in their ranks may be found more than one able man in whose care our destiny as a union could be trusted, and I hope some day to see one of them presiding over our deliberations—but not next year.

After a lifetime of reliance on political "pull" for advancement some people unconsciously build their hopes of entering heaven on the same foundation.

Mrs. Eva Fay, who claims to be a direct descendant of one of the oldest and wisest seers of Northern Hindostan, has been mystifying the audiences at the Majestic Theater with her wonderful feats of mind reading. Sitting on a stage blindfolded and completely enveloped in a heavy cloth, she seems to see into people's pockets and read and answer questions which have been written and placed there. Among the audience interested in her performance last Saturday was Mrs. E. H. Thomas, of the Ladies' Auxiliary, who had written a question to test the powers of the "thaumaturgist." Mrs. Fay made good all right in the following manner.

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If the Typothetæ, after a hunch like that, persists in sinking their money in a defense fund they must have it to throw at the birds.

T. A. ("Patsy") Cays, who will be remembered by all the oldtimers in the G. P. O., is now residing in New York. Although virtually blind, and down and out as far as the stick and rule are concerned, Mr. Cays takes a keen interest in typographical matters in Washington and receives THE TRADES UNIONIST regularly, which is read to him by his devoted wife, thus in a measure keeping him in touch with his old friends.

The return to Congress of Joseph Warren Keifer after two decades ought to be an event of more than passing interest to the employes of the big printery, and especially the toilers of the night who form humble cogs in the legislative machinery during sessions of Congress. During the Forty-eighth Congress Mr. Keifer was an influential member of the Appropriations Committee of the House, having been Speaker in the Congress preceding. About this time that prince of "square" men, Joe Cross, came down the pike and took cases on the *Record*. As soon as he became aware that the night force was on the same level as the day force as regards remuneration he called attention to the injustice of the thing and called for a chapel meeting, at which Joe and the chairman of the chapel were appointed a committee to appeal to the sense of fairness of the people on the hill. The kindly interest of Mr. Keifer was manifest from the start, and with his help a bonus was secured for the night force at that and the succeeding session of Congress, after which, to simplify matters, the law providing for the twenty per cent increase over day rates was passed, which has since been in effect. Unless Mr. Keifer has greatly changed in twenty years we may be sure of another friend at court who will never be deaf to an appeal for a "square deal," for he gave us that long before the phrase became a mere political shibboleth.

According to the daily papers the new Public Printer is camping on the trail of the "Wahnetas." When he locates one I hope the specimen will be plainly labeled, for I have never been able to lay eyes on one of the dreaded species yet. But that may be due to my old-fogyish habit of minding my own business.

Resignation blanks seem to be in great demand in the *Record* Proof Room lately. Zebedee La Pelle is the latest to attach his signature to one, as he has been induced to accept the position of editorial clerk among the farmers in the Department of Agriculture. This is a great blow to the *Record*, for Mr. La Pelle was one of our most careful, painstaking readers, but if the rest of the force can be induced to pull out a little harder it is possible that the paper will continue to appear on time. Good-bye, Zeb. Take keer o' yerself.

Dan Vaughan dropped in on the night force one evening last week and reported everything lovely among the printer contingent in the Department of Commerce and Labor. The "bunch" consists of Dan, Charlie Graff, Doc. Havenner, and Harry Pierce. Dan says everything is so monotonously quiet down there that it is a treat to visit the big shop and indulge in a little "slabbing" occasionally.

Said a *Record* reader to me the other day: "I am an admirer of Senator Morgan, of Alabama, and believe that history will one day vindicate his judgment in the Panama Canal matter, but when it comes down to his speeches I always have a kick coming. If I am in the Senate gallery during the delivery of one of his able efforts I am unable to hear him clearly, and when he gets through revising the speech I am unable to read it."

That was a splendid tribute paid to the union printer by one of the leading Typothetæ members down town: "I am satisfied that the printers who remain true to their union in this eight-hour struggle will be faithful to me when the struggle is over." It's a safe bet that those are the sentiments of nine-tenths of the employers arrayed against us under the leadership of men who are not so much interested in the eight-hour question as they are in the the effort to crush out the spirit of trades unionism. May the fight soon be over and leave no hard feelings on either side.

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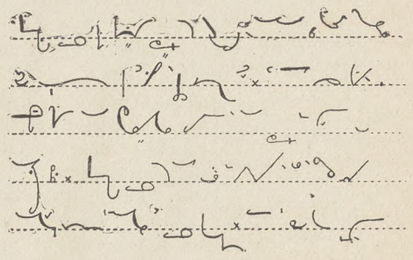

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Tuesday by President McCarthy.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and appaoved.

The Grievance Committee reported progress.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From American Federation of Labor inclosing appeal for aid for National Chain Makers Union and National Union of Pocket Knife Blade Grinders. On motion, an appropriation of $5 in each case was made.

From International Brotherhood of Teamsters, asking aid in reorganization of Local No. 503, of that International in this city. Referred to Organization Committee.

From Journeymen Stone and Marble Cutters Association, Washington Branch, acknowledging communication of secretary of this Union of November 28, relative to the use of unfair marble to be used in this city. Placed on file.

From Frank Morrison, secretary American Federation of Labor, as follows:

WASHINGTON, D. C., *December 8, 1905.*

To All Affiliated Organizations, Organizers, and Labor Press:

In accordance with the instructions of the Twenty-Fifth Annual Convention of the American Federation of Labor, held at Pittsburg, Pa., November 13-25, 1905, you are hereby advised of the following resolution, adopted at that session:

Whereas, The Denver Trades and Labor Assembly, a body affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, being in possession of the facts, did, on May 14, 1905, adopt and circulate the following warning:

TO ALL CONCERNED—A WARNING.

All Central Bodies and Unions are hereby notified that the man, P. H. Scullin, representing the National Peace Association, is deemed by this Assembly guilty of practices contrary to the ethics and principles of Unionism. He has collected money from Chinamen through the endorsement of the San Francisco Six Companies on assurance that the Unions will cease their opposition to Chinese cheap labor. We deem it wise that the arbitration principle, which is good in itself, should not be compromised by any method of graft or misrepresentation. Hence, this warning. Labor papers please copy.

(Signed) W. E. SHIELDS, *President.*
(Attest) S. G. FOSDICK, *Secretary.*

Whereas, The means at the hands of the Denver Trades and Labor Assembly to circulate this warning is limited, thus permitting Mr. Scullin to practice his deception in other centers of labor; therefore,

Resolved, By the Twenty-Fifth Annual Convention of the American Federation of Lobor, that the foregoing warning is hereby endorsed, and our Secretary is instructed to immediately send the same to all affiliated bodies, as well as to all Union Labor papers, with the request that the same be given the widest possible publicity.

Hoping that the same will receive your attention, I am,

Fraternally yours,
FRANK MORRISON,
Secretary American Federation of Labor.

The action of the convention was indorsed, the communication ordered spread on the minutes, and given to the press for publication.

INDORSEMENTS.

The following indorsements of the action of the central body in declaring Dave Wolf, shoe dealer, 432 Seventh street northwest, unfair, were read:

Butcher Workmen: No. 148. Fine, $5.

Carpet Mechanics, No. 1. Fine, $25.

Plumbers and Gas Fitters, No. 5 Fine, $10.

The following Unions have taken similar action in case of W. S. Jenks, stove dealer, 717 Seventh street northwest:

Butcher Workmen, No. 148. Fine, $5.

Carpet Mechanics, No. 1. Fine, $25.

Plumbers and Gas Fitters, No. 5. Fine, $10.

CALL OF UNIONS.

The call of Unions to submit business was proceeded with, but no reports were made by Delegates.

NEW BUSINESS.

The chair having called attention to the fact that the usual meeting night for next session would fall on New Year's Day, on motion it was agreed that next meeting would be held January 8, 1906, at which time officers for the ensuing year would be elected.

Delegate Feeney introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

Whereas the Hon. George B. Cortelyou, Postmaster-General, in his last annual report to Congress, recommends the matter of an increased scale of salaries for the letter carriers and the post office clerks, stating that upon such investigation that it was possible for him to make he had found that the cost of living has advanced, and especially in the large cities, while there has been no corresponding remuneration of postal employes as there has been in the cases of persons employed outside the service, and he is convinced that the pay now received by the letter carriers and post office clerks is inadequate; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Central Labor Union, the representative body of organized labor in the District of Columbia, herewith acknowledges, appreciates, and commends the action of the Postmaster-General, as his recommendation to Congress for a revised scale of salaries for his faithful army of Government wage-earners proves him to be a man thoroughly conversant and interested in the needs and welfare of his employes and a conscientious and upright official, and we express the hope that his administration will be marked by the inauguration of the needed reforms indicated in his admirable report, which will mean the wider extension of the service and result in great benefit to the public.

Be it Further Resolved, That a copy of the above resolution be sent to the Postmaster-General, published in THE TRADES UNIONIST, and daily press.

Delegate Feeney, from special committee on Sherman testimonial, presented the following report, which was adopted and recommendation concurred in:

Whereas Harry W. Sherman, a Delegate from the Electrical Workers Union, No. 26, and an ex-president of this organization, has decided to remove from this city and locate in Rochester, N. Y., therefore be it

Resolved, That the Central Labor Union, of Washington, D. C., regret very much the departure of Bro. Harry W. Sherman, as he is recognized by the organized workers of this city as a conscientious consistent union man, ever ready to aid the cause of Unionism by his voice and pen and always adhering to the maxim "That an injury to one is the concern of all," and we herewith extend to him our cordial appreciation for his services in our behalf in this city, and we wish him Godspeed and every prosperity in the city he has decided to locate in.

Be it Further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be engrossed and sent to Bro. Harry W. Sherman, and also published in THE TRADES UNIONIST and the daily press.

Adopted by the Central Labor Union in regular meeting assembled December 26, 1905.

Adjourned.

COLUMBIA UNION MEETING.

Large and Enthusiastic Meeting Indorse 10 Per Cent Assessment.

One of the largest meetings ever held in Typographical Temple assembled on Sunday to hear the Eight-Hour Day Committee of Columbia Typographical Union, and indorse the action of the committee.

Chairman Parsons, of the committee, made an excellent report of the work done by the committee and outlined a plan of action, which met the indorsement of the Union.

It was announced that a chapel vote would be taken up on Wednesday, December 27.

THE CHAPEL VOTE.

The result of the vote by chapels is as follows:

	For	Agst.
G. P. O.—DAY CHAPELS—		
First Division	122	36
Second Division	44	24
Third Division	60	21
Fourth Division	52	14
Fifth Division	81	23
Sixth Division	71	5
Job Room	67	25
Record Clerks Division	6	0
Specification Room	138	29
Official Gazette	37	16
Document Proof Room	57	32
G. P. O.—NIGHT CHAPELS—		
Record Proof Room	23	1
First Division	42	25
Document Proof Room	29	7
G. P. O.—BRANCHES—		
Treasury Division	11	19
Interior Division	12	0
State Division	0	9
Navy Dept. Division	7	6
War Dept. Division	10	5
Agricultural Division	9	0
Library Division	11	2
DOWN TOWN CHAPELS—		
Weather Bureau	1	9
Morning Post	61	0
Evening Star	72	0
Evening Times	36	2
Trades Unionist	4	0
Law Reporter	16	0
Globe Printing Co	7	0
Judd & Detweiler	44	1
Wilkins Printing Co	11	0
National Publishing Co	7	1
Byron S. Adams	14	1
General Post Office	6	0
Sudwarth's	13	1
Pearson's	11	0
Roberts'	4	0
Crane's	4	0
Howard's	10	0
Army any Navy Register	3	1
McGill & Wallace	10	0
Secretary's	25	1
Total	1,248	316

Total vote, 1,564.

Fifty Per Cent, if Necessary.

The Knoxville (Tenn.) Typographical Union has unanimously endorsed the ten per cent assessment and wired to headquarters that they will make the assessment fifty per cent if necessary.

Returns to Washington.

T. M. McMahon, at one time a G. P. O. employee, and until recently a business man of Columbus, Ohio, has returned to the city, and is to return to the G. P. O., where he passed the best years of life as a compositor.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

JOTTINGS BY JOHN JOTTINGER.

Good morning. Is your unionism still on straight?

What shall it profit a man if he curry favor with his employer by ratting and lose the respect of all his fellows?

As a general thing I detest postscripts, but I feel that in my remarks last week pertaining to Joseph Warren Keifer and the committee who secured the twenty per cent additional pay for the night forces of the G. P. O. I unintentionally failed to give due credit to Orlando S. Montz, who was chairman of the *Record* chapel at that time, and whose earnest and able work as a member of the committee contributed much to the success of the movement. Montz, who died some years ago, came here from Williamsport, Pa., and all my information is to the effect that he was a man of brilliant intellect, whose devotion to the union was unswerving and whose efforts for the uplifting of his fellow-workmen shed luster on the title of "square man."

Mr. J. A. D. Turner, of the Day Proof Room, has the sincere sympathy of all his associates in the bereavement caused by the death of his wife, who passed away last Friday after a short illness from acute Bright's disease.

Not so very many years ago there was started the cry, "Turn the rascals out!" It caught the popular fancy and echoed from coast to coast, and in the general confusion it passed unnoticed that the biggest rascals bellowed the loudest. In recent times the promise of a "square deal" has tickled our ears, and every political fakir has been ringing the changes on it, with the result that while listening to the music we have been getting the worst of every single deal. Still more recently we have been appealed to to "down the bosses," and the men who egged us on quietly laid the foundation for careers of tyranny without end. Moral: When a man cries "Stop thief!" it might be well to pause and search him.

There may be a few desertions "in the face of the enemy" by men who do not regard their union cards as worth the price, but the money they save thereby will some day prove the hardest-saved money they were ever cursed with.

I believe that during these stirring times quite a few I. T. U. buttons could be sold in this city if they were placed within easy reach. Men have been heard to remark that while heretofore they had not felt the necessity of wearing the button, they had a desire now to show their loyalty by displaying the emblem honored by every decent printer and dreaded by every scab.

I have heard men boast that they never think of their work after the whistle blows, but nevertheless some do go stark "bughouse" over their proof reading, whether they fight against it or not. Beginners especially fare quite badly in this respect. In the Main Proof Room a few days since some of the novices were swapping experiences and relating of restless slumbers, where style, l. c., and ital. kept Morpheus from getting in his usual beneficent stunt.

"The fact is," said one, "the machinery in my loft has been working a whole lot more than it needs to, but my case is mild indeed compared to that of Harry Hayne."

Then the gang laughed, for who ever thought it possible to faze Harry? But here's the rest of it: Recently a member of his family had built one of those bewitching long-coat suits that become the female figure so well, and he was asked how it "set."

"Set?" growled Harry. "Why, I'd set it in nonpareil narrow, with eight-point ital. head, leaded, en spaced, overs two ems, solid, figs. bear off a nut, three ems for totals, par. dashes between, and bear off a mutton if enclosed in rules."

His family began to doubt his sanity, and, the day being the Sabbath, they asked him where he had been during the forenoon. He promptly replied that he had been to Sunday school and had taken up the collection for the Christmas entertainment, with a total of dol. twenty-three point nineteen."

I don't know whether that's the end of the story or not, for just then Mr. Heck was spied coming down the room, and the gang ducked.

I want to pause in my headlong career as a knocker just long enough to hand a New Year's card to T. C. Parsons, chairman of the Eight-Hour Committee. Mr. Parsons has before him a few strenuous weeks and deserves our best wishes for his success. His ability and earnestness are unquestioned, and if he brings the local fight to a successful conclusion the downtown people next spring—if they feel that they really must have a candidate for president in the field—will find Mr. Parsons to be their best goods in stock.

While the debate rages as to whether the Panama Canal shall be at sea level or tide level the public is nursing the suspicion that the people bossing the job are not on the dead level.

It is Christmas Day. And while the bells are pealing forth their annual message of "Peace on earth, good will to men;" while from thousands of pulpits is preached again the gospel of Him who came to save, and while millions of voices in this prosperous land of ours are joining in songs of praise and "glory to God in the highest," there are preparing for battle two great forces upon whom rest the eyes of the entire industrial world.

It is no longer to be a battle merely for the eight-hour day, but for the very life of trades unionism. The men whose god is the bank book and whose coat of arms is the dollar mark rampant have themselves decreed that this fight shall be the test of the right of labor unions to exist.

The eight-hour day is only one of our lines of defense which will be attacked by the enemy. The loss of this redoubt will carry down with it the closed shop; then will come the inevitable attack on the wage scale and every point of vantage gained by organized labor in the last fifty years.

We have in our care not only our own destiny, but that of generations yet unborn, for the loss of this great battle will mean a loss of ground not to be regained in a century, and it will mean the gradual slipping back to conditions which in this twentieth century would be unbearable to men with good red American blood in their veins.

And we of the Government Printing Office need not flatter ourselves that we are not directly concerned in the outcome because in that splendid building on North Capitol street we are intrenched behind an eight-hour law and a wage scale fixed by Congress. He is worse than blind who can not read the signs of the times and who closes his eyes to the fact that the forces of greed and monopoly have already set their lustful eyes on this big shop of Uncle Sam's with the ultimate object of breaking down the present satisfactory conditions. Congress has been stampeded before by the cry of "economy," and it is not without the range of probability that a victorious Typothetæ would sweep up the Capitol slope and carry our lawmakers off their feet with the proposition of a longer day and shorter wages.

We *must* win this fight. We *must* demonstrate to the country once for all that our cause is just and that true trades unionism is not to be crushed, even by a united money power.

At the meeting last Sunday Columbia Union, the largest and most powerful union in the land of Dixie, swung into line of battle with the good old rebel yell, and with the beginning of the new year the I. T. U. will be ready to give the Typothetæ and their allies the tussle of their lives, and long ere the ides of March both foes without and traitors within will have reason to know that they have had trouble on their hands.

Every loyal union man to his place, and God speed the right!

I see that Pard Bloomer reports that "Texas" Smith has withdrawn his promise to name his first boy after his boss because that individual did not "make good." "Texas" may have had good reasons for believing that he was going to find himself in the same boat.

Mr. H. G. Otis, of the Los Angeles *Times*, may be authorized to promise "immunity" to traitors in the G. P. O., but that wouldn't insure them against the ostracism by their fellow-workmen.

Really some one ought to immediately slip into the place left vacant by "Rough Writer's" retirement. Those slug quotations must be looked after; Simon Pocher needs his little jolly occasionally, and, above all, the "trusties" in the First must have their regular advertising "next to pure reading matter," even if the literary quality of the output sets our teeth on edge. We can stand it all right.

John Dickman is reported to be steadily progressing toward recovery. My latest information is to the effect that he is being permitted to sit up for short periods, but will have to cut out the rest of the punctuation marks a little while longer.

JOHN J. OTTINGER.

AFTER-DINNER DILATIONS.

There was a man named Macintire who gained some note as one big liar.

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There are those in every army who find an excuse for desertion with the first test of courage.

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This is the opportune time for the philantropists to toss up individual checks and get registered.

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The press censorship of strike conditions in Russia is very much the same as we are accustomed to in this country.

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We are indebted to the Typothetæ and their allies for the inauguration of a real old-fashioned revival of real trade unionism.

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Dividend promoters and the traveling public continue to differ as to what constitutes just and adequate street-car service.

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Some people are so self-opinionated that it would be greatly to their advantage if they could occasionally agree to disagree with themselves.

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There would be much sameness of expression if all the opinions concerning gas bills at this season of the year were to appear in book form.

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There is seemingly a great disparity of opinion as to how large a "jag" may be taken on and still keep within the bounds of propriety on Christmas day.

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It is hoped that proprietors of the "open shop" will everywhere have the courage to hang out their signs and designate their goods by the non-union imprint.

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Among the good resolutions of the new year there should be one to do willingly and cheerfully all that is possible to advance good unionism in order that the year may be fruitful in results worthy of our best endeavors.

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Dissenting opinions by the courts are pretty sure to possess two important requisites—first, a fearless statement of facts, though hopelessly in the minority, and secondly, that other element known as "good horse sense."

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On the proposition for an eight-hour workday all are in accord except the man who demands more hours of service than he is willing to pay for. Becloud or disguise the fact as they may, long hours and short pay is really the contention of the Typothetæ.

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The solid front presented by Typographical Union, No. 101, on Sunday last in favor of the ten per cent assessment and in support of the eight-hour movement showed a unanimity of sentiment which admitted of no serious differences of opinion. If the Typothetæ people have based their hopes on a divided Union force or have hoped to sight a weak spot anywhere along the long line of intrenchments, they will not find here the object of their hearts' great wish. The benefits resulting from the eight-hour day are appreciated by the membership of 101, and the sentiment is largely in favor of extending like benefits to the craft and trades people everywhere, at whatever cost the Typothetæ may impose.

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The called meeting of the Specification Chapel on Tuesday, to learn through Chairman Davis the action taken by the Union on Sunday, was the most enthusiastic of any held for years. Remarks commending the action of the Union were made by Messrs. Waterman, English, Webb, and Handley, each being an inspiration in the call to duty on the eve of battle for the universal eight-hour day.

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A man whose friendship I enjoy, and who is a Union man three hundred and sixty-five days of the year, related to me recently a conversation had with a church member friend of his, but who is not at all in sympathy with organized labor. (By the way, he can understand the necessity or propriety of organized capital.) The churchman, it appears, never lost an opportunity to urge the importance and necessity of religion, and always assured the union man that he was being prayed for. At their last meeting, when unionism and religion were discussed, the churchman repeated the assurance that our unionist brother was still being prayed for in the hope that he would yet "get religion." Our good-natured friend, who had suffered long from a sense of deep obligation for prayers, said in parting: "My good sir, the religion I most desire embraces both the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. I am praying just as earnestly that you may yet be so fortunate as to substitute the genuine article for the kind of religion you now possess."

CYCLE.

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

Among my kindly remembrances of the season was a Christmas card from one of the "Daughters of the Regiment," Miss Annie C. Wilson.

Truth, of Sunday last, contained a timely column on the practice of taking up a collection in the Departments, on any and all occasions, for the unfortunate brother. In the G. P. O. a subscription paper must first bear the stamp of the front office. Of course, any glib talker might get the ear of the powers and tune a fairy tale about "most meritorious case," and like phrases. Next, if the subscription is to be circulated among the printing divisions, it is vised by two members of the Chapel and the chairman, and in many instances an explanatory note is attached thereto from an associate before it starts upon its rounds. We manage those things so much better in France.

H. S. SUTTON.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

Our Young Artist.

The cartoon "As it is To-day," which appeared on the first page of our last issue, was the work of Hugh Hennesy, a sixteen-year old youth, the son of J. A. Hennesy, of the G. P. O. Job Room, who wrote the text for the cartoon. The young artist has a great future before him. His work has been accepted by several local papers recently, particularly the one published in the *Post*, entitled "The Ballad of Benning Track," which covered three columns of that paper.

Try oyster pan roast, 10c. Ladies' Dining room. R. A. Driscoll, North Capitol and G street.

A Sad Death.

The death of Herbert Caddick, at his late home, 47 Massachusetts avenue northwest, on Monday, was a shock to his many friends. He was a member of Bricklayers Union, No. 1. The deceased leaves a widow and three children.

J. H. Platt Ill.

James H. Platt, of the Job Room, G. P. O., was taken seriously ill at the office yesterday (Wednesday) and had to be taken home. His many friends hope for his speedy recovery.

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THIS is an eight-hour century.

THE baseball bacillus has begun to work.

TRADE unionism looks forward, not backward.

THE Freer gift is hardly too free to be accepted.

WISH you a Happy New Year and a short work-day.

THE indications point to a large crop of standpatters later on.

LET us hope the eight-hour leaf will be turned over for keeps.

EIGHT-HOUR workers should work for the eight-hour workday.

WONDER how NICHOLAS would like to swap thrones with HAAKON.

ADVOCATES of child-labor laws can not consistently oppose the short workday.

IN DEALING with the infant industries it is not quite so common as formerly to speak softly and carry a big stick of candy.

DR. OSLER landed in America the other day, but it is not stated whether he appears among us as a reformed chloroformer or not.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN will doubtless guard against any assimilative tendency on the part of his benevolence while in the Philippines.

WE ARE still looking for that specific statement showing that the open shop offers better conditions to the wage-earner than the union shop.

THERE is probably some foundation for the rumor that the tariff revisionists shivered when they first heard that the frieze in the Capitol is to be completed.

AT A gathering of orphan asylum children in Baltimore, Secretary BONAPARTE said, "The Navy is a decorous, honorable calling, far better than most forms of labor." Now, what ever did he mean by that?

The Dignity of Labor.

We are not among those who look upon every employer as an arch enemy of the poor workingman, and we are not going to make any pretence to such an attitude. We believe, for instance, that the Typothetæ are, as a rule, an honorable body of men, most of whom, however, have rather vague ideas regarding the relationship of trade unions to the prosperity which we all desire. But we do think that there are those among them who are more or less given to the slushy cant of the world regarding the dignity of labor. Of this class there is now and then a specimen who, when it serves his purpose, political or otherwise, fairly reeks with the oily fumes of sweet libations burned in propitiation of horny-handed toil. This specimen is especially fond of ringing the changes on the aforesaid dignity of labor. But when it comes to a test, all his elevated talk proves to be cant—pure cant. If the laborers happen to discover, or imagine that they have discovered, that that they may secure their ends most readily by organization, how does he view their efforts? As a matter of fact he is prone to look with some impatience upon the attempt of his noble brothers of manual toil when they presume to organize. The dignity of labor is a very sweet phrase, as it rolls under the tongue of this mock-philanthropist, but he finds it a little acidulous when the business of the labor organization comes in contact with his business. Now, it is a matter of fact that labor in itself it not dignified. If it were, a mule dragging a heavy burden up a steep hill would be the most dignified object that works for a living. Labor does not dignify man. It is man that dignifies labor. And through the agency of organizations which tend to make him more and more self-reliant, he is likely to continue dignifying it by increasing his wages, shortening his workday, eliminating the open sweatshop, and any other legitimate means which seems to suit his purpose.

The Trade Union—Or What?

Trade unionism is an attempt to secure prosperity for the many under the so-called competitive system, and we believe it to be necessary to the security of society as it now exists. Without it, under modern industrial conditions the individual would go to the wall, and when we speak of the individual we mean, not the man of exceptional capacity, but the average man, upon whose assurance of fair treatment the real prosperity of our Republic depends. The ordinary workingman finds a foothold in the union, which alone can secure his independence, and it seems strange that it should be continually necessary to point to the fact that without that foothold he would slip into a condition unfitting him absolutely for the duties of American citizenship. Do away with unionism as it exists today and those doctrinaires who believe in State Socialism would have a fertile soil for the growth of their theories. And that in the course of time they would find means to put those theories into practice there can be little doubt. Whether their attempt would prove a permanent success or be followed by some form of aristocratic government, is another question. But at all events, we feel that those who seek the elimination of the trade union are blindly facing a risky alternative

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

That was a nice little break that a prominent down-town Typothetæ employer made while trying to induce one of his men to "stay in" when the strike comes. "If you'll stay with us," said he, "and don't want to stay in Washington, I'll get you just as good a situation in another city, and they will give me another man in your place. Some men don't like to do anything dishonorable where they are acquainted."

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Walking Delegate Marshall Cushing, of the National Association of Manufacturers, says that if they succeed in establishing the "open shop" in the book and job trade they will then turn their attention to the newspapers. It will be remembered that an "if" caused the dog to lose his rabbit dinner.

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There is nothing in human shape so contemptible as a "rat" or "scab," and there is nobody who has so thorough, deep, and lasting contempt for him as the man who employs him. There never was a "rat" from principle who was not contemptible in all the relations of life—mean, close-fisted, ready to take advantage of anyone, and in all these things especially with his own family.

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Chris McGraw, "the apron man," returned home last week from Sibley Hospital, where he successfully underwent an operation for appendicitis, and is now rapidly convalescing. Dr. Chadwick had charge of the case.

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I recommend to Walking Delegate Macintire, of the National Typothetæ, soulful consideration of the proverb, "Never tell what you are going to do, and then you won't have to explain why you didn't do it."

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Every few days a New Willard guest from the City with the Golden Gate gets himself interviewed while he weeps over the situation in San Francisco under the Labor Party administration. That is only the beginning of the adoption of the Australian system of government in this country. What is the Australian system of government? Why, one in which the people instead of the money rules.

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The Typothetæ says it will never, never, never surrender; but it says it too often to mean it.

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The National Association of Manufacturers and Boycotters wants merchants to withdraw their advertising patronage from newspapers and magazines that publish anything favorable to organized labor. I think we will eventually have to adopt the Australian idea and vote ourselves into control of the government. We can do it as easily as labor did in Australia.

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Knoxville (Tenn.) Union voted the 10 per cent assessment unanimously and told the Executive Council they can have another 10 per cent, or even 50 per cent, if they need and want it.

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There is a proposition to give the widows and daughters of Union soldiers the preference for appointments under the civil service. It's all right, but not broad enough. It ought to include great-granddaughters of revolutionary soldiers and grandmothers and great-aunts of Spanish War Veterans.

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I haven't heard of anybody robbing a G. P. O. society treasury for a week. Gentlemen, don't be bashful; no punishment attends this offense.

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The gentleman who, being the custodian of a society's money, uses it for his own purposes at a time of great need is as justifiable as the gentleman who breaks into a house or a bank when similarly pressed for money. We should not be governed by our prejudices in such matters, or by false ideas of the degrees of courage necessary in the two classes of financiering.

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There is no situation in the world worth acquiring or retaining when it bears the stigma "Rat!"

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A down-town Typothetæ man says they would have no objection to the eight-hour day were it not for the demands which will follow it. We will be a good deal more likely to go after other things after whipping the Typothetæ in a fight than if they conceded the eight-hour day without one. It always makes people saucy to know that they can.

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The deepest sympathy goes to J. A. D. Turner, of the Main Proof Room, on the death of his wife last week.

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Such a meeting as that held by Columbia Union last Sunday makes a man feel good. The unanimity with which it was agreed that the "sinews of war" must be provided to carry on the eight-hour fight was most encouraging. If there was a man present so small-souled, himself enjoying the eight-hour day, as to be unwilling to help others to get it, he did not have the "courage of his convictions," for the meeting was unanimous. It is true that there was a little difference of opinion as to the means by which the money should be raised, but it was only in the speeches, not in the vote. It was evident that there were none who valued their unionism below a few dollars. The man who does not realize that everything we have is due to the union is indeed illinformed, and if he realizes it and still is not willing to help others, there are no words equal to expressing the contempt in which he should be held. We owe much to the unions of the country, and it was evident that the members appreciate the fact. Hurrah for Columbia Typographical Union!

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The surrender of J. J. Little in New York, one of the largest concerns there, before a gun was fired, is encouraging. Come in, gentlemen, before it rains real hard.

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Mr. George E. Howard, a well-known down-town employer, gave a lunch to all of his employes, over a hundred in number, last Saturday afternoon, at which the greatest good feeling prevailed. Everybody received a gift, Mr. Howard's being a splendid fur automobile overcoat. This lunch was given by Mr. Howard with the full knowledge that every union printer in his employ is going to leave him on the 4th of January unless the eight-hour day is acceded to, and that fact did not make any difference in the harmony of the occasion. It is painful to part company with such a generous employer as Mr. Howard, and I cannot bring myself to think that such parting, if it occurs at all, will be for long. I believe he will not be a great while in learning that an employer's best friends, after all, are his loyal union printers.

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I am under compliment to my friend "Texas" Smith, of Stryker, Ohio, for a ream of linen paper and envelopes to match, beautifully printed, as a Christmas present. "Sonny" Gunn please copy.

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Butterick, the fashion pattern man, of New York, in advertising for workmen of all kinds to work in his "open shop," carefully specifies "non-union pressmen," though he is willing to take union men in his other departments, if they are willing to work in an "open shop." The pressmen will undoubtedly see that the fight we are making this year will, if successful, save them from making one next year, and they will surely be among our warmest supporters, financially as well as morally. I expect to see them inviting us to help ourselves to their treasuries.

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It is time we sent some of our thieves to the penitentiary. With defalcation after defalcation, and all of them by men of the most exemplary habits, not one has been prosecuted. Stories of "nervous prostration, mind a complete blank," seem to go, and expressions of sympathy with the scoundrels are not infrequent. A man who seeks an office which makes him the custodian of other people's money is a good deal more contemptible criminal when he betrays his trust than the sneak who steals your overcoat, for it is impossible to guard against him. As long as we indulge in mawkish sentiment towards these scoundrels we will have defalcations, for it is almost offering a premium on dishonesty. I am told that one of the bonding companies has said that it does not care to take any more Government Printing Office business, and considering that we will not prosecute our thieves ourselves, but compound their felonies so that their bondsmen cannot, I don't blame them. Let's have three or four of them hiked off to Moundsville for terms ranging from fine to ten years and discourage the industry. These are cases where restriction of output are justifiable. I am happy to say that none of them have got me for a cent.

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There were not so many men making a noise like a bellows at the Union last Sunday as is usually the case.

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An Unhealthy Occupation.

Giving evidence in the New South Wales Arbitration Court recently a stonemason witness said his trade was a very unhealthy one, and that the average life of a stonemason is only thirty-six years. He himself knew of sixteen stonemasons who had died this year from lung trouble, caused by the fine dust from the stone chisel used by these workers.

A Christmas Number.

One of the best Christmas editions of labor papers came to us in the shape of the Kansas City *Labor Record*. It was warm in color and contained lots of good reading. The first page depicted the angel of peace bringing together the employer and employee, and the title was "Peace and harmony to all." Most pleasing to the editor above all was the advertising.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Sixth Division.

Another holiday and then a long pull till G. Washington's birthday.

Taking advantage of the double force Andrew Bailey, night linotype machinist, is laying off and enjoying his leave.

M. N. Serrano, the well-known G. P. O. compositor, has recently been elected treasurer of Nonpariel Council, National Union.

The American Bridge Co. has announced that it is through with Union labor. But Union labor hasn't said anything of that sort about the Bridge Company.

The two forces constituting the Sixth Division day and the night *Record*, presented Mrs. Silvey, the caterer with a little Christmas present of over thirteen dollars.

A little Christmas present in the shape of a raise of fifty cents a day in salary has been given Johnnie Stowell, galley pressman in this Division. And he earned it and deserved it.

Mrs. Bert V. Wolfe, wife of the well-known *Record* linotype operator, has recently been elected president of the Woman's Auxiliary. Mrs. Wolfe is a talented lady who has been an earnest worker in Auxiliary affairs since its organization, and there is every reason to predict that under her guidance the affairs of that society will flourish.

For the G. P. O., the *Record* Proof Room carried off the honors for the least number of votes cast against the ten per cent assessment—20 to 1. However, the Sixth came along a good second with 71 for to 5 against.

"Rough Writer," has quit the journalistic field. The folly of creating a good name under a nom de plume is illustrated in this case. "Rough Writer" never said anything but good, and his notes will be missed.

Linotype Machinist Clark spent Christmas at his home in Williamsport, Pa. By the way, Mr. Clark is a strenuous advocate of the Roosevelt anti-race suicide theory, his family consisting of eight healthy and happy children.

Mr. J. A. Dent, formerly connected with the Utica (N. Y.) *Saturday Globe*, has taken a position in the Sixth Division as linotype machinist. In Washington Mr. Dent found many former acquaintances who in times past had seen service in Utica.

The notice in the *Post* last week that an order would soon be issued in the G. P. O. closing the doors at eight o'clock caused no end of gossip among the employes. Some of these days when the newspapers get through running the shop the Public Printer may conclude to take a hand.

The Butterick Publishing Co., of New York, have thrown down the gauntlet to the Typographical Union. Not only do they proclaim an open shop after January 1, but call for non-union help. This company is the maker of half the dress patterns used in the United States, and the opportunity to show what their organization exists for is now presented to the Woman's Auxiliary, and other kindred societies.

Friends of "Jack" Desmond, night *Record* operator, will be pleasantly surprised to learn that on Wednesday morning last, at the church of St. Francis de Sales, Boston, he led to the altar a blushing bride in the person of Miss Nellie Downey, a resident of that city. Friends of the bride tell me she is a young lady of many charms and a sweetheart of the groom's of many years. I am sure the entire Sixth Division joins me in heartiest congratulations.

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Mr. Wm. Henry Anglin, who sang "Closing up the Syms." Saturday morning, composed his own song. The verses being all the same the number is unlimited. Here is the master-piece:

"When the ax begins to fall
"Then the Syms. will lose it all."

The male chorus of forty voices then chanted:

"Ta ra dum, ta ra dum."

Mr. Anglin chanted until he fell in a stupor and several doses of "Red Raven Splits" were administered before he fully recovered.

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As noted in THE TRADES UNIONIST last week, the Kansas City *Labor World* has inaugurated a boom for ex-delegate Miss Anna Wilson, of Columbia Union, for trustee of the Union Printers' Home. Whether Miss Wilson wishes to enter into such a contest or not I do not know, but feel that the *World* is hitting the nail square on the head when it advocates a woman for that position. The membership of Columbia Union consists of a large number of lady members, many of whom are eminently fitted for such a position, and I will venture the assertion that a search of all printerdom would reveal no one more capable of filling such a place than Columbia Union can bring forward in the persons of Miss Wilson, Miss Laura Gordon, or Miss Teresa McDonald. By all means let us have a lady on the Board, and let that lady come from Washington.

A young man in this Division who has had considerable experience in the sym business has figured it out in poetry as follows:

It's been decreed
The symposium needs
Must be attended to.
If you say you can't
They say you shan't:
What am I to do?

If I pay this,
I can't pay that;
What's the use of paying any?
For if I pay that,
I can't pay this;
And "this" and "that" are many.

Hoboing through the snow
Is on the bum, I know,
But this is by far the cheaper.
If I have to go
The syms won't get the dough,
Now who will be the reaper?

As predicted last week in these notes, the First Division bowling team went down in defeat before the boys from the Sixth. Like Napoleon Bonaparte of old, Dr. Chas. Radley, captain of the Sixth, marshalled his forces and gave Capt. Phil Nachmann and his bowlers the drubbing that had been prophesized. The boys from Bowlville had masterly control of the big balls and had strikes to spare. Owing to the failure of Frank Jones to show up, E. T. Carey, of the Foundry, was substituted. Some day when the First Division boys have fully recovered from the shock, a return engagement will be given. The following is the score:

DAY RECORD.

Garner	119	153	146
Carey	159	185	198
Radley	149	109	115
Moler	156	180	164
Sturm	154	167	177
	737	794	790

FIRST.

Bellinger	138	143	187
Nachmann	146	169	161
Heisler	119	129	99
Dennison	164	131	142
Richards	150	159	147
	717	731	736

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By a general transfer of employes most of those composing the day force of the *Record* have been sent to other Divisions to spend the holidays, while the night force was transferred in a body to the day side. On such occasions the night force indulges in all sorts of songs and pranks at the close of the night's work. The following is the program rendered at 4 30 Saturday morning, and the sense of humor therein contained will be appreciated by everybody acquainted with the star performers:

Opening Ode "Oh, Beulah Land" ..... John Williams
Passing of Plate.....George Hayden
"Where I Work".....Jerome Kendall
"A Night with the Belle of Fort Myer" ..... E. E. Wear
"Her Name was Maud" ..... Walter V. "Hee-haw" Smith
"Settling with the 'Syms.'" ..... William Henry Anglin
(Mr. Anglin will be assisted by a male chorus of some forty voices.)
"Almighty Dollars" (with apologies to John D.)......"Spendthrift" Spencer
"I am Cæsar".....FOREMAN GILES

PART II.

"Beauty is only Skin Deep" ..... Andrews and McFadden
"Merit will Win".....Brodie and Emory
"Over the Hurdles"... ..... Chas. E. Rudy
"Closing up the Home Club" ..... Claude Pendarvis
"Anvil Chorus".....George and Bailey
"It Ain't That Kind of a Boy"....John Cotter
"When the Whistle Blows"..H. M. McIlfresh
"When Daylight Comes Again" ..... Grand Chorus

The night force will remain on day work until next Thursday when it will again go back to the mines until Congress shall have adjourned.

CHAS. S. GUNN.

Oysters in every style at R. A. Driscoll's, North Capitol and G street. Overholt whisky, 10c.

Night Bill Force.

John W. Martin, of the Night Bill Force, went to Morganton, N. C., Saturday, for the Christmas holidays.

King Solomon, the august authority of the Bible, at the erection of the temple, divided the day of twenty-four hours into three parts, of which eight were for labor only.

If the Typothetæ, individually and collectively, had the good mother wit that is supposed to be born in every man and woman, it would see the absurdity of its Quixotic tilt against the eight-hour law.

With the exception of a man here and there, the Night Bill Force was transferred to the day Divisions, the majority to the First, Friday morning. When Congress reconvenes, after the holidays, the transferred people will be reassigned to the Bill Force.

In my mention of the personnel of the "cage," as the inclosure where the foreman and his assistants prepare and give out copy on the Night Bill Force is familiarily called, by some jugglery of the types or slip of pen, the name of big bluff, good-natured Zach. Jenkins was omitted.

The game is being tried, or suggested at least, of employing "good Christian girl,s" "converted Chinese," etc., at low wages in place of Union workers at a fair compensation. Recently a manufacturing firm advertised for girls to help run its plant, but not one reply did it receive, and was compelled to close down.

Rough Writer has declared his intention of quitting the ranks. We are sorry to lose him. It seems like parting from a friend. He is a conscientious, painstaking writer, and let us hope that he is only seeking relaxation from an arduous task, and will soon resume his position as correspondent for THE TRADES UNIONIST from the First Division.

It has been intimated to me that a writer should sign his name to contributions. My name has been signed to so many articles that I think I should be exempt from this criticism. Furthermore, my name is signed to what I write. The ancient form "Homme" translated is "man," and the old Norman French "Vrai" is free, literally "man free," or "free man," and the writer's surname is simply "Homme Vrai" modernized.

This is an aged joke, but like all good things, bound to last. The genial Chris. Auracher, maker-up on the Night Bill Force, whose stentorian tones resound through the room when some delinquent compositor has omitted a slug or twisted a line, was once asked where the occupant of frame —— was. Chris. glanced with lightning quickness from alley to alley, and then roared: "There he goes down there, coming up here!" It is needless to say, perhaps, that Chris. is Teutonic.

Writers, as a rule, are egotistic. A titillation of their vanity is about all they get in this world as a reward for their efforts. As a skillful chess or checker player moves his men, so does a skillful writer move his words and sentences. Aside from this, there is an inborn genius which some possess in a higher degree than others. The great writers of fact and of fiction are remembered when financiers are forgotten, thus proving that sentiment and not finance will eventually rule the world.

For consummate tact, good sound sense, and shrewd business ability, the printers Union meeting Sunday was an evidence of the superiority of the class of people congregated in the Government Printing Office and about the city from the North, South, East and West. Its solidarity of purpose was further evidenced by the rising vote in the affirmative on the question of a ten per cent assessment. While there was a question as to the method, there was none as to the assessment itself. The moral influence of this action, under the peculiar conditions that exist here, is extensive. In fact, the members of Typographical Union, No. 101, so far as moral support goes, held the maintenance or down-fall of the eight-hour law in the hollow of their hands. The noble and eloquent words in its behalf from the various speakers to a house crowded to the doors will bear witness in the bettered conditions of a coming generation as well as of our own.

HOMME VRAI.

Death of Chas. A. Howle.

Chas. A. Howle, an employe of the First Division, G. P. O., died suddenly on Tuesday night, at his residence, 227 A street northeast. Mr. Howle was sixty-six years old at time of his death and had been employed in the Government Printing Office for many years in the First Division. He came to this city from Columbus, Ohio, and was a man of quiet deportment and kindly nature.

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Mr. AINSLIE'S subjects for the first week are as follows:

December 31. "In the School of Jesus."
January 2. "The Message of Jesus."
January 3. "The Health of the Soul."
January 4. "Who is the Present Helper?"
January 5. "What is the Divine Relationship?"

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Chas. E. Sikken Dead.

Chas. E. Sikken, printer, who recently applied for admission to the Union Printers' Home, but withdrew the application, died on Monday at his home, 129 T street northwest. Mr. Sikken was connected with Tom Moore's chapel, until recently. He was a young man of good habits, and his loss will be deplored by his relatives and friends. Funeral took place to-day (Thursday) from St. Martin's Church.

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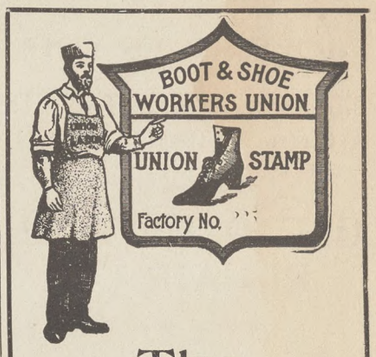

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Bro. Wm. F. Brown has resumed labor after a serious illness.

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Louis Heath, a machinist, who several weeks ago fractured his leg while at work, has resumed his duties.

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Parson Marstellar has recovered from the ague. He informs me that the only time he remembers shaking worse was when he attempted to deliver his first sermon.

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A happy New Year to all. May trades unionists be better men, and all non-unionists see the error of their ways and become good unionists. May our friends remain loyal, and our enemies become our friends.

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The many friends in the Yard of Bro. John B. Dickman join me in expressing sympathy for him in his illness. John is one of the heavy weights of unionism, whose blows always have a telling effect. We trust he will rapidly recover.

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It is with sincere regret we announce that Bro. Harry Sherman is about to leave the field of labor in which he has labored so long and so earnestly. He will be missed. In his new office, that of editor, we wish him success in all that success implies, health, happiness, and wealth.

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Col. Wm. P. Allen, chief clerk, Construction Department, died at his residence, 522 Sixth street southeast, Friday evening last. Mr. Allen was connected with the Yard for many years and was much respected by all who knew him. He was prominent in fraternal organizations, particularly the Odd Fellows.

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Bro. D. F. Manning, of the central body, and organizer of the A. F. of L., appeared before Columbia Lodge of Machinists Wednesday evening in the interest of the retail clerks, who are making a strenuous effort to bring the shoe dealer, Dave Wolf, into line. Mr. Manning is a forceful speaker and fully understands the work he has in hand. It is claimed that Mr. Wolf does not desire the patronage of trade unionists. This being true, it is the duty of all trade unionists and their wives to see that he is accommodated to the fullest extent. Columbia Lodge of Machinists will certainly do its part in the accommodation act.

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The boys in the Yard done the handsome thing by the Central Union Mission on Thanksgiving Day by contributing the sum of $309.02, for which they received the following:

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There is no doubt that much good is done by the Central Union Mission and the Associated Charities in relieving want and misery, but many believe (and the writer is of that class) that the better way is through the Police Department, for the reason that the officer knows the deserving cases on his beat better than either of the societies mentioned.

One of the troubles of the house keeper today in securing female help is found in the statement: "We don't have to work, as the Charity Associations provide for us." Under the old system through the Police Department this was not the case. Of course, one cannot expect the Associated Charities to agree that this is true, and yet it is absolutely and positively a fact, which can be vouched for by hundreds of women who seek the employment agencies, hunting for female help.

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We are told in Biblical lore, "Cast your bread upon the waters and it will be seen after many days." I saw it verified a few days ago, when Big Tom Carroll received from an express messenger a box marked 40 cents due. Tom, who has suffered on previous occasions from gold bricks and other schemes, doubted the genuineness of its contents and refused to accept the package. Col. Joe Keefe, who has a keen, speculative turn, thinking that he would possibly find a turkey for Christmas, assumed the debt and with Carroll's permission, also the box. On opening same, there was disclosed a pair of skates, such as one used to find in a country blacksmith shop a half century ago.

The story connected with these skates brings me back to the text. About a dozen years ago Carroll was working in a railroad shop down in Alabama. An extraordinary cold spell was visiting that locality and Tom concluded he would improvise a pair of skates just to show the Southerners how the boys enjoyed the winter way up in Boston, his native city. While he was engaged in the work the foreman swooped down on him and the result was Tom was granted a furlough without pay for one week. This was too much for Tom, so he concluded he would quit. That night, he took a hobo pass, which means riding on the engine, and went to Atlanta, Ga. The Union boys in the shop got together and informed the foreman that he had dealt unjustly with Tom and soon convinced him that it would be best to send him a telegram to return, or they would also leave. This was done and Tom returned. The skates and the incident were soon forgotten until his old comrades saw his picture in the *Machinists' Journal*, of November, as one of the delegates to the Boston Convention, and as a reminder of olden times they hunted up the skates and forwarded them to Bro. Carroll as a joke, and at the expense of Colonel Keefe, who is now considering a proposition of sending them to the National Museum.

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We had hoped, in consideration of the good work performed by the gun builders in Uncle Sam's Naval Gun Factory during the year, that the wage board would have granted us an increase in wage for the new year, owing at least to the one fact of the great increase in the cost of living. But to the contrary when the board concluded their labors they submitted a recommendation that a reduction of sixteen cents per diem be made, thus reducing a first-class machinist from $3.36 to $3.20. Secretary Bonaparte has not as yet approved their recommendation, and if the wishes of the machinists are consulted he will not. Every effort is being made by the employes to that end. It is to be hoped that the Secretary will remember the speech he made before the Square Deal Club at Frederick, Md., in the last campaign, wherein he said, "I want to see every man weighed on the same scales and measured by the same yard stick." If he will hold to that argument, then he cannot afford to sign the recommendation of the wage board. Further than that he would sanction the request of the employes of the Naval Gun Factory allowing them the privilege to go to Congress and have the old Grimes' Act annulled, which gives to a board of naval officers the power to adjust the pay of the employes of Navy Yards, subject to the approval of the Secretary, and securing in its stead an act passed by Congress assuming the right of that body of regulating the pay of the employes of the Naval Gun Factory.

I am not casting any reflections on the board of naval officers for their action in the matter. It is the fault of the present law, which is obsolete and unjust and allows our pay to be classified by that of a scab shop in Philadelphia, Baltimore, and such cities, notwithstanding the fact that no comparison is drawn between the kind or class of work. This we claim is so unfair and so unjust. If our wage was set by the other Government shops in this city where machinists are employed or by the wage paid to machinists in private establishments in this city we would be satisfied, but that data is ignored, or if accepted and placed with the many schedules of scab shops in other cities in making up the averages the wage in this city loses its identity.

Let Congress assume its perogative and say, as Secretary Bonaparte did, one yard stick, and one scale; if we have the right to set the wage of a naval officer, we have the same power and right to set the wage of the gun builder.

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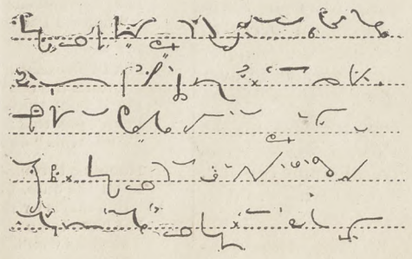

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According to arrangement the printers in the several book and job offices in the city that had not agreed to the eight-hour day, either verbally or in writing, to the number of 130, left their frames and reported on Thursday morning at Typographical Temple, where they were registered.

The largest office involved is that of Judd & Detweiler, where about forty men and apprentices came out; in fact, as reported it was a clean sweep, the representative from that chapel reporting that all but the office cat came out, and she would have come out too, if she had not to look after her litter of kittens, which she desired to train to catch any strange rats coming into the office.

From the outlook at present it does not appear that the contest will last long, as the attempt to secure competent men to take the place of the strikers proved abortive.

Most of the offices affected are full of work that requires immediate attention, and as the work must be up to the standard there is very little hope of securing a sufficient number of competent men to handle it.

The apprentice boys came out in full force, twenty of them registering from the different chapels involved.

Throughout the whole proceeding the best of feeling has been displayed, and the fight resolves itself to a test of strength between the two organizations representing the employers and the employes.

Regret at parting was expressed in many of the Chapels where men have been employed for years, and the hope was expressed that the strike would be settled as soon as possible.

Several of the strikers, who are machine operators, were sent for to work in other offices conceding the eight-hour day.

The Eight-Hour Committee, under the guidance of T. C. Parsons, ably assisted by Frank A. Kidd and a noble band of scouts, have outlined a campaign that will, it is hoped, terminate satisfactorily. They report but three desertions, two being foremen.

The union has secured a hall at Ninth and D streets northwest, and the strikers will report daily at that place.

PITTSBURG.

In a letter from Pittsburg to a member of the *Star* chapel, the writer says that but fifty men are involved in that city, and that the union is in a better condition than any time in its history.

NEW YORK.

Harper & Bros., members of the New York Typothetæ, signed the eight-hour agreement Thursday.

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Venerable Bro. Samuel Aler, of E. G. C. Shop, and his companion, celebrated their golden wedding at their home on Wednesday evening last. Only the immediate friends of the family were present on the occasion. Brother Aler is in his seventy-eighth year and is still young and vigorous, and every indication points to the fact that it will be several years at least before he falls a victim to "Osleritis."

Rear Admiral Charles O'Neil, formerly inspector of ordnance, and later chief of that Bureau, who was ordered a year ago to visit Europe for the purpose of inspecting ordnance in foreign navies has returned. When his full report is published there will be some interesting matter presented to the public. From unofficial sources I am informed that he will show that the ordnance as manufactured at the Naval Gun Factory far exceeds that of any foreign government, owing to the fact that the workmen employed in that establishment outrank in mechanical ability that of any other gun-producing plant in the world. Just consider for the moment that the greatest expert in ordnance in the employ of the Government holding to such an opinion, and yet we are the poorest paid and less favored of any class of employes under the Government. The best praised and the poorest remunerated.

In connection with the above the employes of the Pennsylvania Railroad, after January 1, will receive an increase of 10 per cent in their wages to meet a like increase which has been granted by the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Co. Several of the large steel plants in Pennsylvania have also notified their employes of an increase in pay, commencing with the New Year, owing to the increase in the cost of living. Notwithstanding the advances along the line the wage board of the Yard, with all this information for their guidance, saw fit to recommend a reduction in the pay of the gun builders for the ensuing year. When workingmen learn to vote right, when the wage-earner sends to Congress men who will change the obnoxious laws that place the mechanics in the Navy Yards at the mercy of a board of officers, then and not 'til then will the producer receive an equitable portion of that which he produces.

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From the *Labor Herald*, Wilmington, Del., I take this item:

On Tuesday night while printing the beautiful covers of this issue of the *Labor Herald* our press broke, and for an hour the telephone was kept busy calling up repair men, but none could be had. Just as we had given up hope of having our press repaired that night our newly found friend Charles DuChamm happened along, and proved himself a friend indeed by pulling off his coat, and with crude tools such as we could supply had the press running as well as ever in less than three hours.

Brother DuChamm is a member of Local No. 184, and spent a pleasant hour with the members of Columbia Lodge No. 174 on Wednesday evening last. He visits this city for the purpose of registering in the Navy Yard. Good luck to Brother DuChamm as a model union man.

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Columbia Lodge, No. 174, after transacting their regular business on Wednesday evening, enjoyed a veritable love feast. Addresses were made by President Adams, Bro. Arthur E. Holder, and others. All the little bickerings between members were laid aside, tomahawks and scalping knives exchanged for the pipe of peace, and a general harmonious feeling prevailed. This is right, and shows a proper spirit that I trust will continue throughout the New Year. Discussions are proper, debates are interesting, but personal attacks are to be deplored. A complete unity is the only hope of success.

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I noticed several days ago while visiting Congress a pamphlet entitled *A Square Deal* which had been placed on each desk by an emissary of C. W. Post, of Postum celebrity. Curiosity overcame my bashfulness and I discovered that it was a treatise on Organized Labor vs. The Open Shop. It was beautifully illustrated, showing workmen, their wives and children tastefully dressed, while in the background were beautifully residences occupied by the nonunionist.

To the contrary the trades unionist was depicted as wearing overalls, their wives and children in rags, while their places of abode were but hovels. The nonunionist was depicted as having a good sum in bank, while the trades unionist spent his wage in riotous living.

Just think for the moment, that this vampire, who has been enriched by the money that has came from the pockets of the wage-earner, this subtle and willing tool of Parry, endeavoring to create by such means an impression on members of Congress that the only salvation for the wage-earner is in the "open shop."

Think of it, trades unionists who daily buy the productions of C. W. Post. Think of it I say, and don't stop with thinking, but act. Notify your wife if necessary that if she brings his products in the house that she is not in unity with your interests. Notify your grocer if necessary that your patronage will cease if he does not stop handling his goods.

Mr. C. W. Post, through his pamphlet, has willfully and untruthfully villified trades unionism in his efforts to create a false impression in the minds of Congressmen. Now let all trades unionists meet his false representations by declining further to aid him in increasing his bank account.

It can be done if union men, seconded by their wives, will unite in one grand effort in abolishing all the productions of C. W. Post.

TIM TICKLE.

Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13.

On account of the holiday, the next meeting of Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13, will be held at Typographical Temple, on Monday, January 8, 1906.

At the last meeting the following officers were elected to serve during the present year:

Officers—President, Mrs. Bert Wolf; Vice-President, Mrs. M. A. Colton; Treasurer, Mrs. F. A. Kidd; Secretary, Mrs. E. H. Thomas; Chaplain, Mrs. N. M. McMichael; Sergeant-at-Arms, Mrs. F. C. Roberts.

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Relief Committee—Mrs. Philip Steele, Mrs. John McCormick, Mrs. C. C. Barnes, Mrs. Ruth Powers, Mrs. V. V. Viles.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

During the Strike

There would be no more profitable thing to do than to attend the Revival Services now going on at the Ninth Street Christian Church, Ninth and D streets northeast. Rev. Peter Ainslie, of Baltimore, and W. E. M. Hackleman, soloist and choir leader, of Indianapolis, are conducting the services. Subjects:

Jan. 7. What is the First Duty of all Christians?
Jan. 8. What is God's Business?
Jan. 9. What was the Last Request of Jesus?
Jan. 10. In Conversion—What?
Jan. 11. What is the New Birth?
Jan. 12. Some New Testament Conversions.

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JOTTINGS BY JOHN JOTTINGER.

Good morning. Did you get a comfortable seat on the water wagon?

It's an ill wind that shows up no hosiery. The installation of the time clocks will be sure to stimulate the sale of forty-nine cent alarm clocks. I've got mine. Never touched me. Come again!

In a list of clothing issued at Soldiers' Homes occurred the word "Drawers," followed by "C. F." and "R. F." for "canton flannel" and "red flannel." The busy copy editor simply marked it "spell out." The intelligent comp., who is evidently a member of the militia, made it "center fire" and "rim fire," and only came out of his trance when the chairman laughed at his appeal for a "ring."

Three hundred and sixteen members of Columbia Union voted against the assessment, and I am almost willing to gamble that of that bunch of weak-kneed brethren 275 never read a good trade-union paper; that 200 never attended a union meeting since they "jined;" that 150 habitually pay their dues with a growl or something worse; that 100 were never known to give up a cent for a brother in distress, no matter how worthy; that fifty beat their creditors, and at least a baker's dozen are not above beating their wives. Now, gentlemen, don't get fussy unless you are willing to confess to which class you belong.

The usual number of New Year resolutions have been referred to the Committee on Alcoholic Liquor Traffic—to be reported unfavorably before a month is up.

We are wont to be rather severe on the rat of the ordinary type—by which I mean the man who deserts his union in times of stress because of extraordinary pressure. He may sadly need a position to provide the necessities of life for his family. He may have obligations which seem more important to him than his oath as a union man. He breaks away from the ties of unionism and brings down on himself all the scorn that we can heap on a traitor to a just cause. But what combination of words in the English language can fitly express the utmost loathing which ought to be the portion of the man who, after having for years enjoyed all the privileges and all the protection a powerful union could give in the days when that protection meant something, deliberately throws up his card merely because his employer assures him that he can hold his situation without one? There are some subjects which even a seasoned knocker would prefer to handle with a manure fork.

It certainly wearies one to listen to the caterwaulings of men who insist that in a large and powerful labor union their dues ought not to exceed twenty-five or fifty cents, and become almost hysterical when called upon to pay an assessment to sustain a vital principle and secure to others the blessings they have long enjoyed.

These same men in many instances pose before the world as devout Christians and ostentatiously pour into the coffers of some church from two to five per cent of their income in the effort to save their immortal souls from hell, although salvation is on the free list. At the mouthing of long prayers they are adept, but in criticising their weaker and less fortunate brethren they are sharp of tongue and bitter of speech. They seem to forget that their union has made it possible for them to hold the positions they occupy in the world, and that their union is doing more good in one year than they can accomplish in the course of their selfish lives.

When the chairman approaches them with a subscription for the relief of some unfortunate brother they turn their noses up and the subscription down, often with sneering remarks. One party who posed as a "church worker" was appealed to in behalf of a member who, through fault of his own, was in a pitiable condition, and turned it down with the remark that "it serves the beast right." This same party shortly afterwards was stricken with a serious illness and post-haste knocked at the door of the union for help, which was freely and promptly granted, and the roof of the Printers' Home soon sheltered one who was never known to extend a helping hand to a fellow-printer.

Harsh words these, but, alas, too true, and great's the pity.

Thank goodness, such examples are not too plentiful, and we can turn and contemplate with satisfaction the lives of Christian printers like Philip Steele, Albert E. Ogg, and many others, who find it directly in line with their duty as true Christians to uphold and sustain their union and to extend to their fellows the hand of brotherly sympathy and fraternal aid. The contemplation of one such will overcome the nausea induced by the spectacle of men "lending to the Lord" in the sneaking hope that He will return it some day with the same rate of interest they have been getting through the defunct symposiums.

I have often thought, and am still of the opinion, that daily contact with these modern Pharisees is one of the greatest factors in keeping printers from joining the church and becoming followers of Christ, who came not to judge and condemn, but to pardon and save even the vilest sinner.

As a design for a label to replace the one they give up during the eight-hour strike, I would respectfully suggest to the Typothetæ the use of a "teapot." That would pretty effectually advertise both their little tempest and the fact that they are in hot water.

Mrs. Ryan, wife of E. H. Ryan, of the Main Proof Room, and daughter of Colonel Sweeney, of the Second Division, is at Sibley Hospital, seriously ill with typhoid fever.

At the union meeting two weeks ago I met a friend who confessed that he had not attended one in seven years. I asked him what he thought of the meeting.

"Well," said he, "it looked to me like a gathering of men of more than ordinary intelligence—until Joe Goodkey rose to a question of information."

The other day a prominent business man who has a great deal of printing done interviewed one of the Typothetæ print-shop proprietors. He wanted to know a few things right at the jump.

"Are you going to fight the printers in their demand for an eight-hour day?" he asked.

"Yes, sir, to a finish," replied the "Teapot" man.

"Well, then, I can almost see your finish from here, for I am so situated that all my printing has to bear the union label. Good day." And he walked out to look up an eight-hour shop where he could rely on having his work turned out promptly and satisfactorily.

This little incident simply points out another powerful weapon in our hands, and after our friends the enemy realize to what an extent nowadays printing follows the label they will wish they had smashed their "teapot" and saved their business.

The invalid phalanx of the Day Proof Room is in encouraging condition. John B. Dickman, in Sibley Hospital, who underwent a successful operation for the removal of a cyst at the base of the brain, is able to sit up. Major McKelvey, also in Sibley, suffering from nervous prostration, is reported as much improved, and he hopes soon to return to his desk. E. L. Russ, who had been laid up with a fractured knee for the past two months, has resumed his duties, and E. B. Chambers, after a serious illness of several weeks, is able to put in half time at the office.

Mr. Hearst, in a straightforward, stirring editorial in the New York *Journal*, announces that all his papers in five cities will stand by the printers in their fight for the eight-hour day, and just for a starter he throws some rather hot shot into the ranks of the New York Typothetæ that will keep those people busy for a while picking the splinters out of their hides.

John Openshaw, one of the suburbanites in the Main Proof Room, is undoubtedly one of the most "cultured" men in the G. P. O. John has a desire to become a farmer some day, and with that object in view he is a deep student of agriculture, horticulture, arboriculture, apiculture, aviculture, and various "ologies" and "isms" that seek to aid a man in his efforts at coaxing from Mother Earth her bounties.

On his embryo farm in Brookland, where his experiments are conducted, John has a fine flock of fowl. He claims that the fowl is a rational, thinking creature, with a language of its own (for the interchange of "fowl tips," as it were), and he has become quite intimate with one noble chanticleer in particular—so much so that one morning during the past week, upon entering the yard, the cock in evident excitement greeted him with flapping wings and the ringing announcement:

"I've got—'em all—but two! I've got—'em all—but two!"

"Got them all but two?" queried John. "What can the bird mean?"

"Quite right; quite right," responded an old drake at his feet.

Investigation brought to light the fact that during the night a weasel had entered the hen-house and destroyed two of John's finest pullets, and now whenever he tells the story he insists that if he had not studied the chicken language he would never have known what that rooster was saying. My own private opinion is that when a reader hears the chickens talking to him he ought to make a radical change in his diet and ease up a bit on his comma chasing.

JOHN J. OTTINGER.

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

Speaking of lectures, did you ever hear Bill Leeper on the symposiums? "Two years from now," he says, "when you fellows get half way squared up, you will thank Oscar Ricketts for jumping on them and the other man for carrying out the idea. One trouble was there were too many of them; you borrowed from one to pay the other, and each time got deeper in. Your credit was too good. Now the *Times* sym. pays a dividend, a sick benefit, and is still running."

I paint, from time to time, more or less realistic pictures of the vast mechanism of which I am only one of the cogs in the wheel; if there is a fad or game that ever struck town that I did not go against it was because I failed to locate it; I have the honor to record I have snatched many brands from the burning, both male and female brands. Yet now, in the dawn of the new year, I am to foster, sponsor, and be held responsible for an entirely new and distinct proposition. Some weeks since, at the Temple, I suggested to Sam D. Nedry that he turn what he is pleased to call his wind-jamming talents to coining some of the ducats of the realm, by a series of short talks in the smaller towns, on that distinct species, the genus "hobo." I outlined what, to my mind, was a feasible plan, to work in conjunction with the temperance, fraternal, and religious leagues and guilds. He took kindly to the idea—I to furnish the inspiration and Sam the delineation. I understand the crude product has been tried on a dog, as they say in theatrical parlance; the animal lives, and waiting audiences in Kankakee, Kokomo, and like provincial points are desirous of listening to the dissertation.

H. S. SUTTON.

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THIS is an eight-hour year.

ALL eyes don't seem to be turned to The Hague this year.

STAND-PATTERS are not always as pat as they are painted.

THE bulletins of the Typothetæ are only McIntyrely reliable.

THE status quo ante bellum is still on the jump in Santo Domingo.

THE official statements of the Typothetæ sound very davidmparryistical.

IT HAS been an open winter so far. The Typothetæ will be snowed under later on.

THE water wagon has just started off with a fresh load of passengers, but money is still tight.

THE PRESIDENT doubtless enjoys his many outings all the more on account of the lively innings which intervene.

THE PRESIDENT'S outing residence in Virginia has been called nearly everything more or less suitable except Stand Pat.

IT MIGHT interfere somewhat with the gaiety of nations if the KAISER should resolve not to make any bluffs during 1906

MAYOR MCCLELLAN has sworn off from Tammany. If he holds on during the year he will be entitled to a CARNEGIE hero medal.

THE Russian revolutionaries propose to take up the fight again after a breathing spell. They merely turned over a leaf in their scrap book.

COLONEL BRYAN, was not radical enough to suit the Filipinos, but later on he may stir them up through the long-distance megaphone.

JAMES HAZEN HYDE goes to Paris to recuperate. He probably feels like a fourth class cadet who has just passed through a hazing episode.

MORALES didn't make such a bad break after all. He was simply moved by a patriotic impulse to live up to the reputation of his native land.

AS A GUEST at a BRYAN reception in the Philippines, AGUINALDO appeared above the surface long enough not to be counted among the missing.

SPEAKER CANNON'S feeling of optimism will of course be somewhat intensified when the blood-curdling yells of a pessimistic minority smite the rafters of freedom.

BREWER BUSCH'S suggestion to his eloping daughter that she might just as well come back and get married at home showed good horse sense. It likewise fortifies the contention that a superfluity of beer is not conducive to romance.

THE Chicago *Record-Herald* proposes to send WALTER WELLMAN in search of the North Pole. He should carry a bucket of yellow paint with which to decorate the Pole, when found.

THE New York *World* recently published a story of a rooster which was scratching gravel in a state of good health with its head chopped off. ODELL naturally suggests itself as a fitting name for this wonderful fowl.

THE Chinese Government is said to be anxious to profit by the up-to-date institutions of Western civilization. That boycott bluff would seem to indicate that they already have some insight into the game of draw poker.

THOSE who propose to follow the proceedings of Congress this winter will be delighted to learn that the SMOOT case will again diffuse sweetness and light over the dry details of the tariff, rebates, and other economic subjects.

THE journeymen printers of Washington are striking for a change from a nine to an eight-hour workday, and yet the Typothetæ assert in their statement to the public that the success of the strike would involve an increase in the cost of work to their customers of from 20 to 30 per cent. If that is the kind of arithmetic they use in making estimates their customers would do well to try the union shop before making any further large contracts for printing.

To the Public.

In their recent lockout pronunciamento certain employing printers speak of the "widespread effort of powerful labor leaders to saddle upon our customers an additional charge of from 20 to 30 per cent increase over the present charges for printing." They further solemnly assert that the aforesaid labor leaders claim that this increase "will be no hardship on the employer, who should charge the extra advance to their customers." The intent of this extraordinary statement is obvious. It is an effort to prejudice the public against the journeymen printers by making it appear that they are ignorant men who have no understanding of the ordinary requirements of healthy business enterprise and are dangerously reckless in their demands. And they would surely deserve the contempt of the public if it were true that they inaugurated the present strike with the knowledge that it would involve an increase approaching 30 per cent in the cost of printing, said increase to be taken out of the consumer. As a matter of fact, figuring on the reduction in working time desired by the printers, the increase in the cost of printing would amount to about 11 per cent. But while printers vary in their estimates in this connection, the great majority will contend that, in a year's average, an industrious and painstaking workman will accomplish as much in an eight-hour as in a nine-hour day, and possibly more. Taking everything into consideration, we think it is reasonable to say that the immediate increase, if any, will certainly be less than 10 per cent. And we are certain that within a very short time after the eight-hour day is adopted the shops affected will run on as profitable a basis as before and without any appreciable increase in the price of their output.

Of course, if the customers of the open shops choose to pay an alleged difference of from 20 to 30 per cent for their printing, that is their own business. Indeed, through this alleged difference a means is furnished by which open-shop sympathizers may indirectly contribute to the Typothetæ lockout fund without making the beneficiaries feel that they are objects of charity. But as we have no idea that any large number of citizens are anxious to patronize the open shop on this basis we call attention to the absurdity of the statement in question in the interest of business square dealing as well as fair play with reference tc the striking printers.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

I received a letter from George F. Halsey one day last week, too late to be considered in last week's issue, dated Ancon, C. Z. (which means Canal Zone), December 16. He said that he had recently had occasion to visit the office of *El Diarie*, and there he found, as printer and translator of Spanish and French, Charlie Van, with whom he had worked at Denver and Leadville in the eighties. He had been knocking around South American countries from the Argentines up to the Isthmus. Halsey says there are four daily newspapers there (English and Spanish), but all done by Spanish printers, he and Van being the only American printers there, forming a strong union. The Spanish dailies last only a few weeks or months, and when one of the Panamaians has a political grievance the first thing he thinks of is a daily paper, and usually they are sued for libel and pay heavy fines, the laws there being very different from what they are in the United States. He is now located in Panama and connected with the Isthmian Canal Commission printing plant, which is quite a complete affair, with six compositors and a number of other employees. His health is fine and he had not lost a day on account of illness. He sends his regards to old *Record* friends. He also sent me the *Panama Journal*, the first page of which is in English and the other three in Spanish.

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How can our friends the enemy assert that they are running "open shops" when they keep their few rats locked in, not permitting them the freedom of the streets for a minute? I think they are the worst sort of "closed shops"—closed to decent men and to honor and decency.

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A few days ago I was permitted to see a letter from one of the G. P. O. boys who has recently secured a position in one of the Departments. After congratulating himself on the beauties of his new job he said that he would hike around to the office of the Secretary of the Union and take out a withdrawal card, and that he would be glad to escape paying dues and especially assessments.

There are different ways of looking at this matter, all depending on the object a man has in becoming a member of the Union. A little investigation shows that the following, none of whom have any connection with the printing business in this city, keep up full membership, paying the same dues and assessments that we do who are still working for wages: Dr. D. W. Chadwick, H. Y. Brooke (who is publishing a paper at Luverne, Ala.), J. J. Sullivan, Dan C. Vaughan, J. A. Healy, C. W. Otis, C. T. Graff, F. R. Maloney, E. T. Atkinson, and W. M. Stuart, and many of them have done so for years. Not one of them would be glad to escape paying union dues—and especially assessments—or they would have taken out a withdrawal card, as my little friend did.

Further investigation shows that the following are on the passive list, paying the same dues and assessments which the rest of us do, except the 40 cents a month that goes to the support of the I. T. U.: B. F. Barrows, H. M. Beadle, E. P. Boring, H. T. Brian, M. Cashman, E. Cornman. C. H. Cox, Matthias Cuddy, G. H. Eakle, F. M. Harrington, C. E. Harward, William Henry, O. N. Lanning, D. L. Moynihan, W. H. Munson, A. E. McClure, E. W. Oyster, L. A. Roberts, J. W. Saunders, F. de S. Smith, Mrs. N. C. Southwick, H. H. Stromberger, B. C. White, R. H. White, and P. B. Wright. None of these want to escape paying dues—and especially assessments, for none of them asked for withdrawal cards. There seems to be something in unionism, after all, besides immediate personal interest. There are different ways of looking at this matter.

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Jere L. Sullivan, of Cincinnati, secretary-treasurer of the Bartenders' International League and the Hotel and Restaurant Employees' International Alliance, remembered me with a New Year's card, representing himself holding a stove lid, with the legend: "'Under two flags,' with the 'lid' in our possession," besides the usual seasonable greeting. Mr. Sullivan is doing great work for his two unions, to whom and to him I wish all success.

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Carlos B. Tomlin recently sent me a copy of the *Arizona Republican*, of Phœnix, containing a group of the employees, in which Carlos stands as large as life. It is a paper worthy of any of our Eastern cities.

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I have received from Secretary William Mill an invitation to the twenty-first annual banquet and ball given by the Old-Time Printers' Association, of Chicago, Wednesday evening, January 5, 1906, in honor of the two hundredth birthday of Benjamin Franklin, at the Sherman House. The committee of arrangements, which contains the names of many whom I knew thirty or more years ago, is as follows: Harry S. Street (chairman), William Mill (secretary), Isaac D. George (ex-president I. T. U.), Fred K. Tracy, M. H. Madden, James L. Regan, Fred Barnard, D. J. Haynes, C. M. Moore, P. J. Cahill, Peter B. Olsen, Thomas E. Sullivan, A. H. McLaughlin, Samuel Rastall, James A. Bond, Nicholas Welch, A. B. Adair, John Anderson, John S. Burke, John Canty, William Hack, William Pigott, John W. Troy, Joseph C. Snow, James J. Schock, John McGovern, and John Gordon. These are invariably most delightful occasions.

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The civil service system has been of advantage to us in one direction at least—it brings to us men from the cities, where they have imbibed unionism. Under the old plan the Hon. Member from the Haw district got an appointment for a raw countryman from Squahawk, who did not know what a union was. Whenever you hear of a man "laying down" on his dues or complaining of the hardship of the assessment you can bet he is one of the haweaters who have not yet learned what unionism means.

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A proofreader "made the crack" the other day that he had belonged to the union forty years and it had never benefited him a cent in all that time. It has benefited him over $800 in the last five years, as the increase of pay during that time has amounted to that much, and that was procured solely by the union, as he and I know. Some men say things without stopping to think whether they are true or not.

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A recent Typothetæ circular says of Annapolis, Md.:

> Every shop in this city is now an open shop. By an agreement with the local union, its members are working under open shop rules at usual rates and without regard to hours. Relations between employer and employee pleasant.

President Thomas K. McNeir, well known in this city, says:

> Our union, No. 114, never was in better condition. We are paying all assessments and are willing to pay more if necessary. We had an agreement for nine hours until January 1, 1906. After that time everything has been settled upon eight hours. Give yourself no uneasiness on our account. Not one word of truth in Typothetæ report.

It would seem like the last sentence of the Typothetæ report, "Relations between employer and employee pleasant," might be true.

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James J. Farrell, for many years a grocer at the corner of Second and G streets northeast and well known to many employees of the G. P. O., died on New Year's Day, from a stroke of apoplexy which occurred on Christmas. Mr. Farrell was an upright business man, a good neighbor, a public-spirited citizen, and a faithful friend.

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When an employer chases after men in an automobile, offering them $26 a week on a three-year contract, "play or pay," guaranteed by a real estate bond, and they can't get them, it looks as though he is up a tree. Why can't everybody be good? One gets along better.

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In the face of the certainty of the success of the eight-hour movement and the control of the union, a printer is an awful fool who becomes a rat, leaving out of sight all sentiment, for whatever temporary advantage he may gain will not be a circumstance to what he will have to put up to square himself when the time comes when there will be no work for rats.

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The complete success of the eight-hour demand in Columbus, Ohio, and the granting of the eight-hour day in the office of the Richmond *News-Leader* were very acceptable New Year's presents.

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What folly for anyone to think unions can be broken up by the "open shop" device now, in their time of strength, when it was impossible while they were weak! The momentary failure of unions of unskilled workmen must not be taken as a guide.

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The threat of the Typothetæ to make the Government Printing Office the subject of their attention and have abolished the desirable features that make it a "menace of discontent" to printers in private employ will only have the effect of strengthening the loyalty of true men and women there. The Typothetæ will have a whole lot of its own business to attend to in the next few weeks, and after that it will be too tired to take up any purely labors of love.

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The papers last Sunday published the news that William H. Pickelheimer had fallen dead on Pennsylvania avenue. There are some who will remember him as a laborer in the G. P. O. in the first administration of Mr. Benedict—on the *Record* for a part of the time and later in the Specification Room. Afterwards he became a street peddler, with a little stand at the east front of the Patent Office, selling shoe laces and such small articles; but for quite a time before he died he was compelled to give this up on account of illness. He seems to have had no family. He was a man of genial, jovial disposition and well liked. He was 66 years old.

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The Washington Typothetæ has long complained of the competition of Harrisburg and Hagerstown, and probably does yet while talking to fools. Harrisburg and Hagerstown are eight-hour cities.

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Those who find the assessment burdensome must have the fact gradually soaked into them that our cause is of kin to that of our Revolutionary fathers in sacredness, and to that they pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor. It is liberty, and only liberty that we are fighting for—liberty to do what we please with two-thirds of the day.

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If there has ever been a case where a boss was not willing to throw down his rats on being licked, I have never heard of it. All their contracts contain clauses which put the rat at their mercy at any time. They evidently say to themselves when a man rats, "I've got this skunk where I want him, and I'll use him as long as I want to, and kick him out when no longer of use to me." It doesn't take a long head to figure this out.

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Foreman C. M. Robinson, of the Proof Division, was appointed a member of the Board on Geographic Names on Wednesday and attended a meeting of the Board on the same day. Mr. Robinson succeeds Chief Clerk H. T. Brian, who resigned because unable to give the office the attention he thought necessary.

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Mr. Bob Hasselback, recognized as one of the expert pressmen of the country, is in the city, overseeing the starting of the new plant of the *Times* for the Hoe people. Mr. Hasselbach was so fortunate as to find two former fellow-workmen on the New York *Journal* in Fred. A. Anderson and George M. Ramsey, of the G. P. O., to introduce him and show him the sights of the Capital City.

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Ex-Delegates Meeting.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Association of Ex-Delegates will be held at Typographical Temple, Sunday afternoon, January 7, 1906, at three o'clock.

All delegates are urged to attend.

J. T. HERBERT,
Secretary.

GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

I always have sort of "hankered" to write for the newspapers, but somehow have always failed to make a favorable impression upon those whom I have honored with my manuscripts. Well, they will be sorry some day, after I have gained fame, etc., and the treats will be on them.

I hardly expect to fill the shoes of such an able writer as "Rough Writer" and my sentences may lack lustre and, perhaps be wrongly constructed, but if I should prove short on English I reckon you'll find me long on U. S., as she is spoken.

The coming man is used to having people point at him and say, "there he goes."

No overtime this turn-in—sorry, won't be able to buy the Missus a new calico dress.

By the way some of the boys are being called in the "front office," it seems as if the gentlemen on the hill are not the only ones that can introduce a bill.

While tramping around in the rain the other evening I ran across the Hon. James Harper. Knowing something of his natural aversion to water in days gone by, I was somewhat surprised to see him wading around and not seeming to mind it a bit. Expressing my surprise, he buttonholed me right there in the rain and delivered an oration on temperance that would make John B. Gough look like a dirty deuce in a clean deck. "Young man, I've been up against the game for a long while—there's nothing to it. I used to think that water was only fit to wash carriages with and put out fires, etc., but now I think it is the finest beverage that ever was concocted and I am devoting all of my spare time in trying to convince "Larry" Pierce and "Spike" Leonard that such is a fact."

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We had quite an exciting time the first Tuesday after the first Monday of the first month of the new year.

The two "Phils," "Old Phil" and "young Phil" (no spring chickens, by the way) were put up by the boys for chairman. These two worthy gentlemen were held in such high regard by the members of the Division that they did not have the heart to turn either one of them down, so they paired off in order to make the result a tie vote. The candidates were not in on the secret so "young Phil" threw a courtesy vote for his rival and "Old Phil" voted for himself. Result, "Old Phil" elected chairman by two votes, and what is more he will make a good one.

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Sixth Division.

On Saturday last, as the whistle sounded the close of work for the year, so far as the G. P. O. was concerned, the entire Chapel of the Sixth Division assembled to do honor to Harry (Cæsar) Giles,* foreman of the correcting force. The emblem of his office—the office coat—was presented to him. The coat had previously been worn by Foreman John R. Berg until it was ready for the discard, but that did not matter. In fact, it made it all the better. The presentation speech was made by Chairman George Hayden, followed by a witty satire by William Henry Anglin, and throughout each speech mighty cheers echoed through the big building. Mr. Hayden spoke as follows:

Brethren, many are the happy recollections attendant upon the festive season, which is proof conclusive that none are too poor to lend a helping hand toward making others happy who are less fortunate. Imbued with a deep sense of our own good fortune by virtue of the mercy of an allwise God, and being fully awake to the custom prevalent at this season to present those we admire with some token of our affection in appreciation of their many good qualities as citizen, companion, or workmen, and wishing to keep alive the fires of generosity, the Congressional Record Chapel, filled with such spirit, comes together to-day at the close of the year 1905 to present a slight taken to one of its members. A custom God-given in its nature we hope will continue in ages to come and be practiced by generations yet unborn. True it is that men in high positions of trust are prohibited from accepting such tokens, and at times are loath to receive them, yet we but feel that seeing the spontaneous outburst of harmony prevailing among men over whom he yields the sword of influence, in his generous nature he will deviate from the unwritten law and receive the proof of our sincerity and become "precepts criminus" (loud cheering) to the good cheer prevailing the entire room.

Sectionalism, religion, politics are all engulfed in the sea of space, and all that is manly in man exerts itself on occasions like these. History has proven that man is his own moral agent, capable of determining his own destiny. Many a one in position like the one of whom I speak has proven a tyrant—deceitful and dangerous. But he whose name I shall call soon is the embodiment of liberality, willing at at all times to labor. He has been busy when others over whom he held sway stood idle. Representing the great State of Delaware in the G.P.O., he is not unmindful of his importance as second to the foreman of the daily paper of Congress. He has proven his faith by his works, and experience has demonstrated his willingness to squeeze in an hour or two extra in order to save the *Congressional Record*. We should feel proud of him. (Great cheering.) Why? Because the State of Delaware, realizing the importance of such a personage in this branch of the Government, and knowing his influence to be far reaching, has persistently refused to send but one United States Senator to the Nation's capital. But laying aside for a moment his fitness for his lofty position, his qualifications—gentleman, timidity, long suffering, and liberality—have so endeared him to us that we have met to-day to do him honor. Long live Cæsar Giles. (Mighty chorus of hurrays.) May his power for good increase with his years. And when the summons shall come to him as it must come to all, to leave the terrestrial for the celestial (loud and boisterous cheering) may he be ushered into the city with the golden streets and be presented with a mansion not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Mr. Cæsar Giles, on behalf of a long-suffer-horde of fellow workers—some like yourself who belong to the Ben Franklin class and operate on the machine with all fingers but nine—I present you with this office coat. Prize it not for its intrinsic value, but remember it for the sentiment which actuates your fellow-workmen in the presentation, and if you should meet an untimely end—which no doubt will be your lot unless you change your ways—pass it down the line, and may your boy for whom we wish a long and prosperous career never be ashamed to wear the coat his foreman wore.

When we cross the silent river, when our proof is mostly blank,
May we see our old friend Cæsar working on the correcting bank,
Then we know we'll pass the portal, enter in the Golden Gate,
As we are nothing more than mortals, and Giles corrects the Heavenly slate.

Mr. Anglin's hemorrhage is as follows:

We have come to praise Cæsar, not to bury him this time, and inasmuch as he was once attended to he is not through with yet.

Gentlemen, a few of you may be able to revert memory back far enough to the time when this patriotic son of America deserted his commercial career and gave his art to his country, while all of us (some not so long on earth) who know Cæsar, if not personally, by his peculiar traits and characteristics, can best appreciate his earnest efforts to rescue himself from the line of the rank and file; can best appreciate this token of esteem presented by his loyal subjects, with hearts bowed down, as a just reward of merit; whom likewise best appreciated the responsibility resting upon their genius—this knave of the printer's art.

For who is it, midst the whiz and buzz of the many Mergs., the constant clatter of the makers-up, the exhaust of the pneumatic carriers—all lending a helping hand to make the *Record* room "much ado about nothing," in the early hours of the morning? It is Cæsar.

What else has Cæsar done? (Grand chorus of voices "Everyhody.")

Julius Cæsar was a Roman general and statesman. Giles Cæsar—I give it up. Julius Cæsar reformed the calendar. Giles Cæsar reformed McFadden. Julius Cæsar crossed the Rhine and Rubicon. Giles Cæsar crossed the railroad and rubs his corns. Julius Cæsar was captured and assassinated in 76. Who will be the benefactor in 1906. And when this is done, will not Giles Cæsar be the noblest Roman of them all? (Forty voices, yes, he is not.")

So, with the passing of the old and the coming of the new, will be for Cæsar a laying aside of the apron and strings to don at last the royal robe of your chosen profession and the height of your ambition.

May this prosperity never cease, is the Happy New Year wish of your subjects—the entire *Record* force.

The incident which gave to Mr. Giles the name of Cæsar, happened one night when that gentlman was entertaining a little stag party at his home. The hands of the clock pointed to two, and one of the guests suggested they had better go lest they annoy Mrs. Giles and the children.

"What? Go!" cried Mr. Giles, "Hasten not. Await until the morning sun comes peeking thro' yon east window. Remember, gents, I am Cæsar here."

A moment later the door opened and Mrs. Giles entered. "Gentlemen," she said sweetly, "I expect the party had better adjourn now. I will attend to Cæsar later."

And it was all off with the party.

CHAS. S. GUNN.

*The name Giles should be pronounced Gil-lay. Mr. Giles being of French origin traces his ancestors back to the time when the Hooligans and Dooligans ruled Wilmington, Del. The original family came from Dublin, and soon thereafter Cæsar settled in Swampoodle. For further particulars see Gazetteer.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

The Union Printers' Home.

The following interesting letter was received from "Shad" Campbell, a resident member of The Union Printer's Home:

COLORADO SPRINGS,
December 26, 1905.

CHRISTMAS AT THE HOME.

On Sunday afternoon at one o'clock the Christmas holidays were ushered in at the Home by the dressing of a Christmas tree under the direction of Miss Ella Duff, who had received an offer of ten dollars from one of the residents as a subscription to head the list of one to be subscribed by the residents toward dressing the tree. It was hung up in the Reading Room, and it was only a short time before it was filled by the residents.

Mr. and Mrs. Deacon subscribed five dollars to the fund, which reached thirty-five dollars, with which were purchased presents for the members of the Home, and the employes thereof.

At seven o'clock sharp the curtain was raised from our stage in the Assembly Room and there was displayed before the audience of assembled guests and the residents of the Home one of the finest sights that you could possibly imagine in the shape of a Christmas tree covered with spangles and other ornaments pertaining to a Christmas tree.

After a few remarks by Mr. Deacon on behalf of the manageress of the undertaking, he called the names of those whose Unions and Auxiliaries had remembered their members in the Home. He began to call the names of the lucky participants, The first called was that of San Francisco Union, with a donation of ten dollars to each member, and the next St. Louis, with a donation of five dollars each, which was accompanied with rounds of applause, and the last was Columbia Union, No. 101, with the announcement of a $2.50 gold piece, which was likewise followed with a yell of applause.

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G. P. O. BOWLING LEAGUE.

The Foundry now leads in the League by a good margin over the Index. The Reserves are pushing the Index hard for second place. There has been no change in any of the other teams. The standing of the teams follows:

	G.	W.	L.	Pct.
Foundry	57	36	21	.632
Index	51	30	21	.588
Reserves	54	31	23	.574
Cow Boys	57	28	29	.491
Moroccos	54	26	28	.482
Commercials	57	25	32	.439
Aldines	54	23	31	.426
Pressmen	54	20	37	.370

In individual averages Allen still leads, while the race between Walsh and McCarthy for second place is very close. The individual averages follow:

Name.	G.	T. P.	Av.
FOUNDRY—			
Brown	57	9694	170.4
Carey	57	9614	168.38
Addison	57	9588	168.12
Herbert	31	4798	154.24
Splann	12	1848	154
Johnson	33	5040	152.24
Schulze	15	2206	147.1
Briggs	6	870	145
INDEX—			
McCarthy	48	8493	176.45
Atkinson	30	5007	166.27
Murray	33	5406	163.27
McFadyen	41	6631	161.30
Childress	36	5644	156.28
McAloon	34	5220	153.18
Sherman	21	3138	149.9
RESERVES—			
Walsh	51	9027	177
Atkins	48	8195	170.35
Long	42	7031	167.17
Norbeck	52	8597	165.17
Niehus	51	8294	162.32
Textor	12	1806	150.6
Arnold	9	1286	142.8
COW BOYS—			
Glade	48	8293	172.37
Spaeth	42	6832	162.28
Dwyer	48	7675	159.43
Laframboise	47	7461	158.35
Benker	41	6499	158.21
Wuesthoff	30	4496	149.26
Hoffman	12	1775	147.11
MOROCCO—			
Conroy	49	8177	166.43
Crass	54	8863	164.7
Herbeck	47	7582	161.15
Hope	30	4622	154.2
Holby	49	7453	152.5
Gaffney	11	1583	143.10
Hermann	10	1402	140.2
COMMERCIALS—			
Fitzwilliam	39	6598	169.28
Williams	39	6574	168.22
Wolf	24	3879	161.15
Clark	57	9188	161.11
Holt	39	6131	157.8
Sturm	18	2757	153.3
Bechert	24	3603	150.3
Spence	18	2701	150.1
ALDINES—			
Allen	27	4857	179.24
O'Connell	41	6799	165.34
Nevils	16	2632	164.8
Richards	43	6891	160.11
Beddow	18	2845	158.1
Schinnerer	20	3022	151.2
Nachman	33	4984	151.1
Bellinger	18	2672	148.8
Razey	9	1321	146.7
PRESSMEN—			
Powers	51	8483	166.17
Dohoney	40	6530	163.10
Lednum	49	7647	156.1
Shawen	36	5496	152.24
Anderson	12	1803	150.3
Burkhardt	34	4779	140.19

Structural Building Trades Alliance.

Secretary O'Hagan, of the Structural Building Trades Alliance, Washington Branch, has addressed the following communication to Locals represented in the building trades:

At the last regular meeting of Washington Branch of the Structural Building Trades Alliance of America the secretary was instructed to invite all trades eligible to membership in this body to send at least five delegates to represent their Union to an open meeting of the Alliance to be held on Tuesday evening, January 9, 1906, at Building Trades Hall, corner of Sixth and G streets northwest (sixth street entrance).

The object of this meeting is to reorganize the Alliance upon broader and more business-like principles and to have *all trades* eligible within its fold, preventing, as far as possible, the demoralizing condition that is now prevalent and change present conditions by presenting a firm and united front when needed.

It is well known that organized capital at the present time is taking every advantage of the opportunity caused by this lack of unity in the building trades.

All building trades are therefore urged to send delegates with credentials to the open meeting of the Alliance, and request them to report back to their Union.

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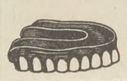
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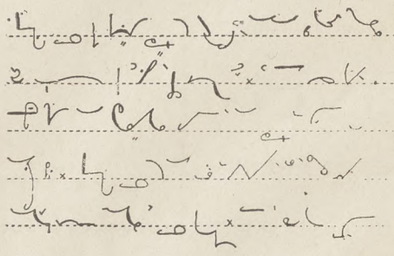

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The census enumerator swooped down and caught two on the "Spess" who pleaded guilty to the charge of three-score-and-ten.

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The Ladies' Auxiliary of the G. P. O. Ex-Soldiers' Club received and entertained pleasantly at Pythian Temple on New Year's Day.

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The dollar in hand is so magnified in the eyes of some people that they would not be able to see over it if they were to stand on tiptoes.

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The man who is able to live without work would very likely say that eight hours is not enough for those who do work; but his opinion is not at present solicited.

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We are sometimes reminded of the generosity of Artemus Ward, who, at a critical period of the war, offered to sacrifice all his wife's relations for the good of the cause.

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There is a proneness to speak of the weaknesses of men who have fallen rather than to give timely warning of dangerous pitfalls or to assist them after once they have fallen.

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Uncharitable people sometimes condemn in others those things which by good fortune alone they themselves have most narrowly escaped or have really done, only in another way.

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Charley Duffy, of the "Spess," has made the calculation that he is the gainer by at least five cents a day since Ed Payne and Billy Howlin went over to the big shop, as now they must get their supply of tobacco from those more conveniently located.

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The Typothetæ were given two years in which to think the matter over and adjust their business to the eight-hour basis. Still they insist that they have another think. Excuse us, then, gentlemen, if in the meantime we throw up a few intrenchments and otherwise keep busy.

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The merchants of Washington found it an easy matter to adjust their business to the shorter work-day, and it is believed that they would oppose most strenuously a proposition to return to the old methods, which called for a number of hours unwarranted by the expense of an unseasonable open shop.

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Miss Jennie Grace Johnson, copyholder on Specifications, whose serious illness was reported in these columns, returned from Boston on Tuesday, whither she had been for treatment by a specialist. Her many friends rejoice in the knowledge which gives assurance of permanent recovery and perfect health.

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It must be admitted that selfishness rules some tradespeople, even to the extent that they would be satisfied to work twelve or fourteen hours a day rather than lessen the hours in order that all might be employed. That is in line with the boasted "freedom" of the open-shop advocates, who hope to create an army of unemployed with a rate of pay corresponding to the necessities of the individual.

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The electrical message from Washington, which encircled the globe in ten seconds and bore greetings of the newborn year, was a marvelous feat and almost beyond comprehension. The industrial workers of the world are expecting a message which will proclaim the glad tidings of a universal eight-hour work-day throughout the jurisdiction of the International Typographical Union. Have the wires ready, please.

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Advices from Bellefontaine, Ohio, confirm the oft-expressed belief of Washington friends that Walker Miller made a lucky business hit when he shook hands with Uncle Sam, returned to his native heath, and embarked in the hotel business. There are about two thousand "knights of the stick" located in and about the big printery who would be glad to put in an eight-hour day or so under Walker's hospitality, and may, if ever that airship line is established between here and Mars via Bellefontaine with excursion rates.

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The daily papers have announced the death of W. H. Pickelheimer, who was for some time employed as laborer or helper in the Specification Division. "Pick," as he was familiarly known, came from that part of Indiana where there is no mistaking the shade of prevailing political opinion, and he never lost an opportunity to assert himself on any question involving his allegiance to the "unterrified" For this he became an easy target, and when the time came he took his medicine, but held steadfastly to the faith while he went upon the street to engage in the sale of shoestrings and some other necessities common to the stock in men's furnishings. "Pick" had a good word for all who thought as he did, but his stock of charity for the other fellow was not sufficient to cover a multitude of sins. May he have the "pick" of seats with congenial spirits in the front row to the right.

CYCLE.

The Twenty Per Cent for Night Work.

Occasional references to the subject seem to indicate that the minds of members are not entirely clear as to whom belongs the credit of securing by statutory enactment the increase justly allowed for night work at the Government Printing Office. Inasmuch as I had opportunity to observe, and to a modest extent to participate in, efforts that resulted in the permanent fixing of this increase, I deem it proper to record, with the permission of the editors of THE TRADES UNIONIST, what are the facts in the case: During the winter of 1889-1890 the Union, upon motion of Mr. H. Y. Brooke, appointed a committee of three, for the purpose of endeavoring to obtain from Congress the restoration of wages at the Government Printing Office from $3.20 to $4.00 per day. Thanks to the earnest friendship of the House Committee on Printing, composed of the late Mr. Russell, of Connecticut, Mr. Richardson, of Tennessee, and Mr. Stivers, of New York, the House of Representatives passed the bill by more than two-thirds vote, Speaker Reed leaving the chair and passing through the tellers as favoring the measure. In the Senate, although both Senator Quay and General James S. Clarkson tried to have it otherwise, the bill was voted down and a conference resulted. This was not owing to the hostility to the measure, but because that good man and upright gentleman, General Frank W. Palmer, was anxious to secure an appropriation for an office building wherein the lives of thousands of men and women should not stand in jeopardy, and he felt certain that in case of the granting of the restoration the appropriation of the new building would not be given. I tried hard to convince him to the contrary, but did not succeed. And in deference to his views, General Manderson, the chairman of the Senate Committee, threw his great influence against us, and when the bill was considered in conference, the six members of the joint Printing Committee, who sat as conferees, were equally divided. All that the committeemen were willing to concede was to report as a substitute a bill that would permanently grant the increase for night work. My old friend, Philip Steele, was a member of the Union's committee, and he will corroborate what is here said. The conference having adjourned, with nothing conceded by the Senate conferees except the permanent increase for night work, the House members came out into the corridor, where the members of the Union had been patiently waiting for an hour or more. Mr. Russell reported the outcome, his colleagues corroborated him, and all three regretfully conceded that for the current session the bill for restoration was dead. For several winters before, thanks to the good work of the gentlemen mentioned by Mr. Ottinger, this increase for night work had been allowed, but each year it required hard and persistent effort to secure it. Hence the committee on restoration accepted the Senate's offer, relieved the Union from the necessity of striving each year in succession for the twenty per cent increase, and cleared the deck for future and more successful effort whereby the employes of the Government Printing Office had restored what petty spite took from them many years ago.

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Semi-Annual Election of Officers Creates Unusual Interest.

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Fourteen Unions Present New Delegates by Credentials — Musicians Want Majestic Theater Declared Unfair—Golden & Co. Placed on Unfair List.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 o'clock Monday evening, President McCarthy in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE.

The Grievance Committee submitted a report on Golden & Co. case, and recommended that the request of Engineers Local No. 99 be granted that Golden & Co. be declared unfair.

The report was accepted and the recommendations concurred in.

CREDENTIALS.

Credentials were received from the following Unions, which were approved by the Credentials Committee, and the delegates seated:

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Tailors Union, No. 188: H. Eskin, I. Geraci, T. Crawford, C. Pfifer, and E. Schwigert.

Tile Layers and Helpers, No. 2: John McVey, Thomas McNeilly, George Keene, H. Steinhouser, and A. Cornelius.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Trades and Labor Assembly of Quincy, Ill., inclosing receipt for assistance rendered, and extending thanks for same. Placed on file.

From W. M. Garrett, announcing his connection as manager of The Graphic Arts Co. Placed on file.

From Hod Carriers Union, No. 21, calling attention to the fact that the superintendent in charge of A. B. Stannard's contract on the Department of Agriculture building refuses to abide by the agreement signed by Mr. Stannard relative to employing members of No. 21, but persists in discharging members of that Union. Referred to N. C. Sprague as arbitrator.

From Pocket Knife Blade Grinders and Finishers National Union, acknowledging donation for strike of that organization and inclosing receipt. Placed on file.

From Samuel Gompers, president of American Federation of Labor, stating that he had written to Frank Duffy, general secretary of Brotherhood of Carpenters, relative to the request of the central body's request to have the Brotherhood represented in the body. Placed on file.

From Chain Makers National Union, acknowledging receipt of remittance to striking chain makers, and extending thanks for same. Placed on file.

From Amalgamated Wood Workers Union, No. 8, of Milwaukee, Wis., controverting the statement of Milwaukee Federated Trades Council that No. 8 was endeavoring to conduct a "fake" raffle. Placed on file.

INDORSEMENTS.

From Retail Clerks Union, No. 262, indorsing attitude of central body in placing Dave Wolf, shoe dealer, and W. S. Jenks, stove dealer, on the unfair list, and placing a fine of $5 00 on any of its members found patronizing either of those firms. Placed on file.

From Electrotype Molders and Finishers Union, No 17, indorsing the action of central body in declaring Dave Wolf and W. S. Jenks unfair. Placed on file.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Musicians: Asked if Majestic Theater was placed on the unfair list. A negative answer was given, and the Delegate stated that they desired some action taken in the case, as they had failed to get a contract from the management of that theater. The Delegate was informed that the grievance must be presented in writing.

Retail Grocery Clerks: Requested a committee to assist in securing contracts from several grocery dealers in Southeast Washington. The request was granted and Delegates Beaumont, McKenna, and Weber were appointed.

NEW BUSINESS.

The chair having announced that the nomination and election of officers for the ensuing six months was in order, the chair appointed Delegates Weber, Beaumont, and Feeney as tellers.

Delegate Jere F. McCarthy, of Bartenders League, No 75, was nominated for re-election for President.

Delegate E. L. Adams, of Columbia Lodge of Machinists, was also nominated for President.

Balloting being proceeded with, the result was announced: Adams, 46; McCarthy, 45.

Vice President Sprague declared E. L. Adams elected President, and on motion of Delegate McCarthy the election was made unanimous.

Delegate Willcocks, of Carriage and Wagon Workers Union, No. 72, and Delegate Colpoys, of Carpet Mechanics Union, No. 1, were nominated for Vice President.

Delegate Colpoys received 41 votes and Delegate Willcocks received 36 votes.

The chair declared Delegate Colpoys elected Vice President.

Delegate R. G. M. Ross, of Sheet Metal Workers Union, No. 102, and Delegate Chas. W. Winslow, of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5, were nominated for Recording Secretary.

The ballot resulted: Winslow, 63; Ross, 21.

The chair declared Delegate Winslow duly re-elected.

For the office of Financial Secretary Delegate John G. Schmidt declined a re-election.

Delegate Clarence McClure, of Plate Printers Union, No. 2, was unanimously elected Financial Secretary.

For Treasurer Delegate Sprague, of Printing Pressmens Union, No. 1, was nominated, but declined.

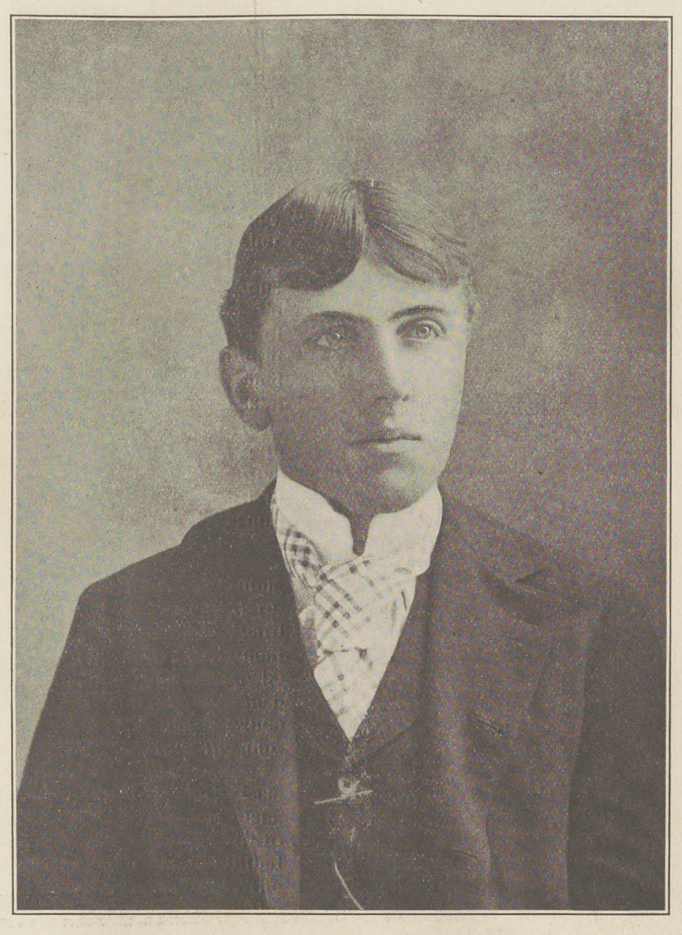
Delegate Snelling, of Engineers Union, No. 99, was unanimously elected Treasurer.

Delegate Samuel Beckett, of Tile Layers and Helpers, No. 12, was unanimously elected Sergeant-at-Arms.

Delegate N. C. Sprague, of Pressmens Union, No. 1; Delegate John Weber, of Bakers Union, No. 118, and B. V. Walz, of Bartenders League, No. 75, were elected Auditors.

On motion, a committee was appointed to revise the Constitution. The chair appointed Delegates Sprague, Feeney, and Bowen.

President Adams requested all standing committees to serve until their successors were appointed.



EMMETT L. ADAMS, President Central Labor Union.

In its choice for president for the ensuing six months the Central Labor Union has chosen a man who will give every attention to detail in connection with the office of president. Mr. Adams is a member of Columbia Lodge of Machinists, and has been active in the labor movement for several years in this city. As a presiding officer he has had experience as president of Columbia Lodge of Machinists, and as a delegate to the Central Labor Union he has broken lances with many of the delegates in debate. He is forceful and insistent in debate, and his colleagues claim that he makes an excellent presiding officer.

The Butterick Strike.

The Butterick Co. strike presents some novel features in the effort to secure men to fill the places of those on strike. A correspondent from New York thus describes the method of the management:

When the rat accepts he telegraphs what train he will arrive on and they have a carriage waiting for him. He is then taken to the Marlborough Hotel—one of the finest in New York—and sleeps there over night. In the morning a carriage waits for him and takes him to Butterick's, where a large force of police surround him on leaving the carriage and he is safely landed inside. Once inside he is not allowed to leave the building. Beds, a barber shop, a restaurant, a piano and all kinds of necessaries are provided for him. In only two instances in the last month has any of the rats been allowed to leave.

The Butterick Co. own a massive 14-story building and can with comfort accommodate a couple of thousand men with sleeping facilities.

A vigorous boycott is being pushed against its publications and we hope within two or three weeks to see the firm give in. Butterick is listed on the Stock Exchange and has fallen fourteen points in two weeks.

STRIKE IS NEARING THE END

Judd & Detweiler Concede the Eight-Hour Day to its Compositors.

ABOUT ONE HUNDRED STILL OUT

General Satisfaction Over Progress Made Thus Far—Another Week May Settle the Strike—List of Those Who Were True to Their Union and Obligation.

The first week of the strike for an eight-hour day finds Columbia Typographical Union presenting a solid front, while reports have it that the Typothetæ are weakening, due to reports received from other cities.

The effort to secure competent job printers and machine operators has proved futile, as well as competent compositors.

The committee has adopted a policy that is worthy of commendation in keeping secret the progress being made toward a settlement of the strike, Chairman Parsons and his lieutenants exercising a clam-like silence when interviewed in reference to the strike.

The report that some large contracts are being sent out of town has had a disquieting effect on the master printers, and the sentiment seems to maintain among the strikers that next week will witness the beginning of the end.

We append a list by chapels of the men and apprentices who came out last Thursday. Columbia Union is proud of the showing made by the men in the struck shops, coming out solidly, with but three defections out of 135.

BERESFORD'S

Otto F. Smith, chairman

Thos. A. Mitchell	W. N. Welch

GIBSON'S

F. P. Williams, chairman

Joseph Becker	P. M. Wallace
Thos. J. Becker	Jas. Whalen, Jr.
Jas. H. McDowell	V. S. Marian

Apprentice

Ward Hunt

MCGILL & WALLACE

W. W. Gates, chairman

Chas. W. Axe	W. D. McNally
Y. D. Hayden	M. C. Mitchell
D. D. Hemming	Ed. C. Owens
Jas. P. Hunter	John Robinson
H. T. McGowan	H. B. Sweeney
W. J. Sweeney	

Apprentices

J. J. O'Connor	E. A. Sankford

HOWARD'S

E. E. Edelen, chairman

C. A. Brewton	W. H. Rowe
Chas. E. Castle	Arthur Secord
Harry Kendrick	F. Edw. Thornburg
W. F. Nichols	Geo. B. Wood
Chas. M. O'Connell	H. K. Yeager

GLOBE

Percy I. Lowd, chairman

M. M. Comar	D. C. Sheriff
Louis Goetz	Robt. A. Wilson

Apprentices

Chas. D. Dening	David McCarthy

CRANE'S

Chas. A. Lucas, chairman

G. Wm. Crane	D. E. Colman
H. W. Arthur	Wm. F. Harris
Wm. Y. Clarke	

Apprentices

Claude Brightwell	Edward Wilson
John Wilson	

ADAMS

R. B. Boucher, chairman

J. T. Barber	L. Henley
Philip Crossfield	Stanley Johnson
A. M. Earp	Edw. A. McDermott
Park M. Reeder	J. H. Mullen
G. R. Sims	R. D. Walton
S. D. Smith	Jas. M. Williamson
B. S. Feeney	

Apprentices

C. F. Lightbourn	E. N. Warner
Evarts Scrivener	

WILKINS

J. R. Padgett, chairman

Noel Nicols	George Bierach
W. B. Rowen	Geo. W. Denver
S. H. Willey	Wm. G. Dorsey
W. S. Griffis	H. J. Lowe
R. E. Beall, Jr.	A. S. Jones

Apprentice

Wm. Edward Crump

ROBERTS

Wm. Williams, chairman

John W. Boteler	J. F. Stewart
Oscar W. Larman	Jas. Sherley

Apprentices

Edward Feeney	J. I. Tomlin

JUDD & DETWEILER SIGN.

On Wednesday evening George H. Judd, representing the office of Judd & Detweiler, verbally conceded the eight hour day, and asked for his men to return to-day (Thursday). The agreement will be signed to-day.

In the settlement all the strikebreakers except one McCauley, who went back to work after being called out by the Union, were discharged, the the terms on McCauley's retention being a fine of $50 on his card.

The signing of Judd & Detweiler calls back the following men, who were out for one week:

JUDD & DETWEILER

W. C. Fechtig, chairman

Wm. Allison	W. J. Frizzell
M. F. Barrett	W. H. Gilliland
Arthur B. Barringer	J. O. Honey
H. E. Bartle	Chas. W. Kirkley
A. K. Bosworth	H. C. Tarlton
Robt. F. Bray	Geo. Terwilliger
James E. Brister	Wm. A. Thornton
R. W. Burnside	D. E. Tyrrell
Wm. J. Burn	John E. Wayson
W. H. Cook	Richard Wells
P. B. Darr	French Osthaus
Garnett Denham	J. T. Cowan
I. P. Elliott	John H. O'Brien
F. G. Fellinger	L. D. Peppler
N. W. Klopfer	Wm. B. Padgett
E. W. Leach	Benj. O. Perry
J. Ruppert Lehmann	A. N. Scott
T. D. McCarthy	G. R. Scott
E. P. McDevitt	J. I. Shrigley
David G. McKenzie	T. C. Simpson
Wilfred E. McNabb	Stanley Snodgrass
W. D. Mills	D. M. Spence
Edward Morgan	Frank Stewart
John H. Nalley	W. A. Stewart.

Apprentices

Harry Arnold	J. B. Sappington
John W. Davis	G. J. Morrison
John Harden	Raymond N. Babcock
Wm. Kearney	

Let Us Remember Our Friends.

Editor of THE TRADES UNIONIST:

It is generally conceded that the present is the greatest battle in which the grand International Typographical Union has ever engaged. In every part of its jurisdiction our forces are rallying to the Eight Hour banner, and from every hill top in the land our friends and our foes are watching the outcome of this glorious contention, and when the fight is over, when the sunlight of victory has shed its halo over the tried and true who knew no call but that of duty, let us remember—however short may be our memory as to our enemies—those who proved our friends in the hour when friends were needed. It is this thought that causes me to write these lines. I have just read an editorial article so warm in its expression of friendship as to our cause and its merit that its author should be ever remembered as our friend. I need hardly say that the name of this author is William Randolph Hearst. The article referred to is the editorial published in the New York *Journal* of December 31, entitled "The Eight Hour Day is Right." I will not attempt to quote from the editorial, knowing the pressure each week on your modest space, but I will give one of its stirring sentences. It begins: "This newspaper and its associated newspapers throughout the country will, to the extent of their power, help the printers in their strike. The editor and owner of these newspapers proposes to use all his influence to win for the men a demand based on justice and fair play." The entire article breathes the spirit shown in its first sentence, and who shall say, in the light of his gallant fight made in New York city two months ago, that Mr. Hearst is not a friend worth legions to any honest cause? But even if such were not the case, if his kind words were simply the emanations of a sincere friend who lacked the power to do other than pray for our success, he would deserve to be remembered, and when the time to serve him may come, let us prove that union printers do remember their friends.

AUGUST DONATH.

John F. McCormick Missing.

The mysterious disappearance of John F. McCormick, real estate broker and builder, from a Bay Line steamer between Norfolk, Va., and Baltimore, Md., is announced by the press to day.

John F. McCormick was well known to members of Columbia Typographical Union, which organization he served as treasurer for several years. He left the G. P. O. to embark in the real estate business, and report had it that he was in a good financial condition. He recently took large contracts for building, and it is said that failure to carry on the work caused worry on his part due to lack of money.

Mr. McCormick was an active man and seemed to have made a success of his new venture.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

There is a strong probability that Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. of M., will lose the services of one of the most popular members for a time at least. I refer to Bro. Charles Wesley Tecumseh Jarrell. All indications point to his selection as temporary Sixth Vice-President and general Southern organizer to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Brother Robinson.

Brother Jarrell has the unanimous indorsement of his colleagues in No. 174 and the unqualified support of Bro. E. L. Tucker, of the General Executive Board. He is well qualified in every particular, and if successful will make an excellent official. He is well thought of by every member in Congress from Georgia, his native State, and is the personal friend of Hoke Smith, candidate for governor. Good luck to you, Brother Jarrell.

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There is much dissatisfaction among the skilled mechanics in the Yard relative to the action of the wage board in recommending to the Department that the wages for the present year be reduced. No one can fathom why such a recommendation was made when wages are being increased on the outside and prices soaring upward.

The board recommended a decrease of 16 cents per diem for the machinists, but such strong efforts on their part to have the recommendation annulled caused the Secretary to refuse the recommendation of the board, and the wage of the machinists will remain as last year.

Patternmakers and molders will also retain their last year's pay, while the coppersmiths, tinners, pipe fitters, coremakers, carpenters, and boilermakers suffer a reduction.

The skilled workmen feel sore and disgruntled at the action of the board, and have concluded that no justice can be obtained by the methods in vogue in regulating their pay. To that end they have prepared a bill to rectify these mistakes, which has been presented in the Senate by Senator Burrows, and in the House by Representative Butler, to place the skilled mechanics on the same wage plane as in other Government Departments.

Whether this measure will meet the approbation of the Secretary of the Navy I cannot say, but I cannot believe that he will object to such an equitable measure, when he is on record as saying: "I want every man measured by the same yard stick, and weighed on the same scale."

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Columbia Lodge, on last Wednesday evening, after installing the new officers for the ensuing year, was entertained by Prof. E. M. Colton, who delivered an interesting lecture on the "First Aid to the Injured." His lecture was very interesting to all present and at its close a vote of thanks were tendered Professor Colton. He is the representative of an illustrated book on medicology, compiled by a board of specialists. As a family medical book it should be in every household.

Sunday work, by order of the Department, has been stopped in the Naval Gun Factory. I understand this order has been issued as a result of a visit to the Secretary by a committee representing the Ministers Association. No doubt, while I am writiting this letter, this beautiful Sunday morning, the churches in East Washington are filled with the delinquents who are now at liberty to attend to their spiritual welfare.

TIM TICKLE.

Election of Officers.

The annual election of officers of the Government Printing Office Veterans Club was held at Pythian Temple on Saturday evening last, when the following officers were elected and installed to serve for the ensuing year: President, Capt. W. R. Ramsey; vice-president, D. W. Beach; secretary, J. C. Morgan; treasurer, Charles M. Robinson; sergeant-at-arms, George C. Harris. The club has been organized four years, and as its purposes are entirely for sociability, in which the wives and daughters of members participate, its growth has been phenomenal, the membership now being more than 100.

Ladies' Dining-Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

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FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

The Parryites do not like the term "scab" as applied to the class of workmen which meets their approbation, and suggest "independent workman" and "free workman" instead. There is no such thing as an independent workman or free workman, except that each is sufficiently free and independent to quit one boss and hunt for another, if he wishes. Every workman is dependent on some one, and the question is whether he had better trust the Union of his trade, which is interested to get him the best wages and conditions possible, or his employer, who too often thinks it is to his interest to give him the poorest wages and the least expensive conditions. The employer looks strictly to what he believes to be his interest, and if he is honest he will admit that the Union is the workman's only refuge and protection. Low wages do not profit the employer in the slightest degree unless he is able to manage it so that he pays lower wages than his competitors, for as wages are reduced the price of the commodity is reduced through competition of the employers. The communities in which the lowest wages are paid turn out the cheapest commodities, but the profits of the employers are no greater. The people in general, paradoxically speaking, profit by it and lose by it; for, though they get the products cheaper, they have less money with which to buy them, the wages of the workingman being the lifeblood of every manufacturing community.

As to whether our employers consider the Union the safeguard of the workingman their own history is the best answer. I venture the assertion that there is not an employing printer in Washington who ever worked as a journeyman who was not a member of the Union. Public Printer Stillings is quoted in the press as saying that if he were working as a journeyman he would be a member of the Union. The late Mr. Detweiler once related to me that he first came to Washington to solicit funds to help carry on a strike of the Philadelphia Union of that day. Mr. Cadick, when an employe of the Government Printing Office, was not only a Union man but one of the greatest sticklers for all that a Union man could claim. Mr. Darby was so fierce a Union man that when, under stress, printers' wages here were reduced from four dollars to three dollars a day he said it was an outrage to ask a man to work for any such sum and he positively refused to do so, and I believe he never did, though as an employer he availed himself of the first opportunity to break with the Union and employ rats. Mr. Beresford was a member of the Union before becoming an employer. Mr. Tomlinson not only was a Union man, but worked in the Government Printing Office as such within the last half dozen years. Mr. Sudwarth was a Union man, and he is yet, being the first of the employers to concede the eight-hour day (THE TRADES UNIONIST, which has always been an eight-hour office, excepted), and he anticipated the date set by the I. T. U. by four months. Thomas P. Moore was and is a Union printer, and signed the scale. Dr. Mark Moore, of the Law Reporter Co., has also always been a Union man, and he signed the eight-hour scale as soon as it was presented to him. I do not know the history of all the Washington employers, but I renew my assertion that every one of them who worked as a journeyman was a member of the Union not only from principle (at that time), but from a firm belief that it was to his interest to be so. To the honest man is there any real difference whose ox was gored?

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Just analyze the case and see if every man who complains of Union dues and assessments is not one of the "tight 'uns" who pass up every subscription paper for the relief of distress, refuse to take and pay for (but not to read) the trade paper, and whine for overtime work. Is not every such case one of pure selfishness?

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One would not think that a man to whom the Union printers had contributed over $600 while he was in distress would vote against the assessment. Bue one such did.

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Editor Shrope, of Easton, Pa., exhibits remarkable industry in licking the hands, etc., of a couple of Western labor editors who but recently kicked his brainiest part till his nose bled. "Blood will tell."

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We have all heard the flapdoodle, in opposition to the short hour movement, that this and that employer, Senator, and Member of Congress works sixteen and eighteen hours a day. They quit working for a living and took up their present lives because they love work so much, did they? Rats!

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All of the Typothetæ shops will have full forces of rats to-morrow—at least that is what they have said every day since the strike began.

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As manager of the Graphic Arts Company, William M. Garrett gets into the printing field. The institution does printing, engraving, and designing, and its place of business is at 1023 Twelfth street northwest. Mr. Garrett's acquaintance with the business men of the city is such as to enable him to reach out and get his share of work, and he has the skill to do it in the highest style of the art.

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At the regular quarterly meeting of the Association of Ex-Delegates of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, held at Typographical Temple last Sunday, it was voted to tender to Columbia Union the funds in the treasury, to help to carry on the existing strike. A committee was appointed, consisting of T. M. Ring, Z. T. Jenkins, and H. C. Knapp, to arrange with Columbia Union for a mass meeting on Franklin's Birthday to set forth to the public our reasons for demanding an eight-hour day. Dexter C. Hussey was elected president; W. R. Love, vice-president; J. T. Herbert, secretary; C. W. Otis, treasurer, and H. S. Sutton, sergeant-at-arms, the last three being re elections—all unanimously.

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"Making a noise like a printer" may fool the public, but not the presses. They wait for the men who can "make good" as printers.

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The weakest thing about the late symposiums was their willingness to lend too much money to men who are not fit to borrow any. Their financial officers should have compared notes on borrowers. Some men will borrow all the money they can, without regard to their future ability to pay. The only thing which such men consider is whether they *can* borrow it.

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I hear that one Typothetist says that he will give up business before he will surrender. I also hear that there is considerable liklihood of his being compelled to give up business whether he surrenders or not.

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The January issue of the *Typographical Journal* is a corker. By the way, there is an article in it headed "Typographical Errors," signed by S. Piddington, with a Toronto (Can.) date line. It says the errors were caught in the Document Proof Room, without any reference to its being *our* Document Proof Room, though everything about the errors indicates that it was. I knew that it was. I knew we have employees living as far away as Baltimore, but I thought they all lived in the United States. If you haven't read all of the *Journal*, you should do so.

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The misrepresentations by which the Typothetæ are inducing deluded men and women to accept employment at strike centers are at times infamous. When they get the miserable creatures in a distant city, without money or friends, they fail to keep their promises, especially in regard to wages, and at once show what they would do to all their employees if they could. The poor "rat" is worse than a slave, subject to fines, reduction of pay, and an espionage that of itself would make life miserable. They don't want home "rats" if they can help it, but prefer those from a distance, whom they can keep entirely at their mercy. Besides, "Some men don't like to do anything *dishonorable* where they are known," was the argument used by a prominent Typothetæ man of this city while endeavoring to win over a Union man recently.

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Ladies, cut out all of the Butterick publications. The Butterick Company is determined to be "scab" from cellar to garret. Let them print for "scabs" only. Not only refuse their publications, but use your influence to induce other ladies to do so.

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"Sonny" Gunn must have turned over a new leaf New Year's day. At least, he has been good ever since.

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A poor girl brought here from Boston by the Ratothetæ was made to see what she was up against when they got her installed in a strange boarding house with a capital of three cents and no prospect of receiving her wages. She related her troubles to a member of the Union and her request to be taken into the Union and sent back to Boston was granted.

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On December 31, the last day of the old year, William J. French resigned the presidency of San Francisco Typographical Union, No. 21, after an incumbency of two years, and George A. Tracy, formerly president of Columbia Union, was elected his successor. Mr Tracy was one of the best presiding officers this union ever had, having a strong personality and a thorough knowledge of union law, and I congratulate San Francisco Union on having availed herself of his services.

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The last number of the Colorado Springs *Labor News* announces the retirement of A. J. E. Hubbard from active control and management, which Mrs. B. C. Hubbard, his wife, who has been associated with him as business manager, assumes. Mr. Hubbard's retirement is on account of poor health and with the hope of repairing the inroads which have been made on him physically by too close application to business. I wish him a speedy recovery.

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When one sets out to enumerate the commendable acts of persons he almost invariably falls short of a full statement, one reason being that no one man can know all the good in the world, or in even his own little world. Last week I made some mention of union printers not now employed at the trade who are carrying their full share of the burden, notwithstanding they are under no obligations to carry any of it, and of course made some unfortunate omissions. One of these was the case of August Donath, who, though upon the honorary roll and therefore not subject to any calls, as soon as the 50-cent assessment was levied, sent to I. T. U. Secretary Bramwood two installments, and then, thinking the amounts too trifling, sent ten weeks' assessments in one check. He had scarce done so when the 10 per cent assessment was adopted, when he sent a check for $15 as his share for the first month, with the statement that he would continue to do so each month as long as it was needed. I commend this to some of Mr. Donath's critics whom I never knew to let go a generous dollar in their lives, as well as to those who do not think they should help bear the burdens of a strike unless they are to be the direct beneficiaries.

Another omission was the name of Titus F. Ellis, who, though not working at printing, but giving all his time to his Mount Vernon Railway Station news depot, keeps up active membership in the Union and pays his dues and all assessments cheerfully out of love for the grand old institution of which he has so long been a member. This I also commend to those who think more of a dollar than of their whole stock of principles and who want direct returns for what they pay! But a few such examples as Mr. Donath and Mr. Ellis neutralize the bad odor of a whole bunch of what are popularly known as "strikers."

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William E. Shields, of Denver, is again pouring hot shot into the enemies of unionism and good government through the columns of the Colorado Springs *Labor News*. He is one of the ablest and most fearless of all the writers in the working world.

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I had a letter the other day from Sam Phillips, formerly hereof, now of the New York *Press*. He says: "We are going to win the eight-hour day here hands down! How about the rest of the country?" That's what they all tell me, Sam.

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Pat Haltigan—good, square union man that he is—promptly told Cadick that he would have to run a union office if he wanted to continue printing the *National Hibernian*, I am told. It is said that Cadick told him that he would have to take it somewhere else then, whereupon Haltigan told him he certainly would do so. There is $1,000 a month gone. The Panama Canal Commission work taken away from Byron S Adams and given to the G. P. O., where it rightfully belongs, is still a larger job. "Verily, the way of the transgressor is hard."

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I am told that members of the Typothetæ have gone around the financial institutions trying to locate "paper" that Charles F. Sudworth may have outstanding and urging that he be pushed to make payment, because he refuses to join the Typothetæ and fight the union. These may be "business methods," but thuggism is a hundred times more honorable. I think any one who would resort to such methods would not hesitate at theft or making merchandise of his female relatives. It has been said that a fly once split his hoofs by alighting on the line between "business methods" and scoundrelism.

A. F. BLOOMER.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O

Second Division—Night.

Had more work been done in country towns by the organizers during the past two years, methinks there would have been fewer non-union men available to take the places of strikers.

Some said they wouldn't vote for it, and would be blanked if they paid it; but they didn't mean it.

Everybody works but "Reddy" Morrow; but what he does all day deponent saith not. We sadly miss the buzz of his bazoo, and look forward to his return.

And now a philanthropic woman is advocating the killing off of the starving children of the poor. Why not feed the poor little wretches? Evidently the disciples of Dr. Osler are working overtime.

This Division resumed business on the night side Thursday last. Kelly was re-elected chairman by acclamation, and is lying awake nights (I mean days) endeavoring to figure out whether he is popular or an easy mark. Sullivan, secretary, was also unanimously re elected, but has lost no sleep up to date. You can't lose the Irish.

Two members of this Division were "called" for falling down while on the day force during the holidays, one of whom never before failed to make good in the main office, and the other during many years of service in the G. P. O. never failed to set the average even on the Spess. When shifted from one Division to another it always takes more or less time to get one's cases in shape, become accustomed to the style of new work, and get settled down to business. Uncle Sam is a good fellow, but occasionally he has a spell when he reminds one of the Egyptian taskmaster of old. Did I hear some one say, "There are no average."

The writer does not pose as a shining light in trades unionism, having spent the greater part of his life in a country town, and being totally ignorant of the principles of unionism until about six years ago; but he realizes that he owes to the Union the present wage and favorable conditions under which he works, as does every other craftsman in the big shop. Of course, living comes high in Washington and is gradually increasing in cost, and no doubt four dollars here is no better than two dollars in the small towns; but with an eight-hour day and thirty days leave with pay we are more favorably situated than many of our fellow craftsmen. What is the conclusion of the whole matter? The man who, enjoying what the Union secured for him, turns down his card in these troublesome times because he feels assured of his own security, is entitled to all that's coming to him in the way of ostracism, scorn, and contempt, and whatever views the President or the Public Printer may hold regarding trades unionism in general, neither of them could respect a man who wilfully violates a solemn oath, and thereby becomes a perjurer, and a traitor to the organization of which he is a member.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

Billy Love just escapes baldness by a hair's breadth.

The champion bowler deserves to be called a striking success.

A small income is very often a big inconvenience—How about it Ellis?

Simon Pocher does an awful lot of dirty work to get a little filthy lucre.

Unless above the ordinary, most things are beneath some persons notice.

Why does "Larry" resemble a slide trombone player? Because he is long-winded.

Perhaps the best treatment to give some of our "Sym." kleptomaniacs is arrest cure.

With many of the boys in the office the race track is a favorite round of amusement.

You may not like the timbre of the foreman's voice, but you are afraid to say "Cut it."

This stuff is awfully simple, and I suppose some will say it is "simply awful," but I can do worse.

There are a million and one ways of getting in the hole and only one way of getting out. Show me the way.

I understand "Kid" Nesbitt is training to be a pugilist—better look out "kid" you might get a pound of cure.

Pay-day has come and gone, and so has the coin. They say "A fool and his money is soon parted," but it seems as if a wise guy is about as easily trimmed.

One of the old-time chronic "give-me-a-chew" fellows met his Waterloo the other day. He had a loaded plug sprung on him and now he steers clear of at least one alley.

It seems very easy for the man at Chase's to break out of a cage without any assistance. If he worked in the G. P. O. he would need the assistance of about twenty Senators to break into one.

I happened to raise my nose out of the space box Thursday and saw the boys peeping around corners and looking over the tops of cases, others four-flushing at being very busy—even Larry Peirce was working. Looking around a little on my own hook, I soon found out the cause of all this unusual commotion—the Public Printer was paying us a visit.

There is a rumor to the effect that General Order No. 4, G. P. O., will be issued in a few days. It will be an order requiring all debtors to the symposiums to settle up by a certain date or take the consequences. It may be true, as the "Sym." managers certainly cannot wind up affairs until all have squared up, and a great many have been very slow in this regard.

Are your good resolutions still on straight, or have you fallen by the wayside? It is so easy to make good resolutions and so hard to live up to them. Still, I think we are the better for just the making of them. I quit the use of tobacco for three whole days—last year it was two days—so you see I am growing stronger every year, and in the course of a hundred years or so expect to be entirely free of the habit.

Taking it Division against Division, man for man, and cage for cage, the First Division has all of the rest skinned to death. We get nothing but "rush" takes, and every take is more "rushed" than the one before it. We have no sand-baggers, and every man is a "trusty."

O, a very good plan in this world of ours,
Is to live by the "rule of three"—
That is, to be ruled by the trio, sweet
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Philip Nachman is keeping a diary since the first of the year. I got a peep at it and the entries run something like this:

January 1.—Had a big dinner today; ashamed to look a turkey in the face. Have quit smoking.

January 2.—Working today. Have not smoked.

January 3.—Bowled last evening for the cigars; forgot I am not smoking; will save them.

January 7.—Have a nice collection of cigars—too bad I'm not smoking.

Will try and get a glimpse at it again, as I am interested in that "collection."

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Sixth Division.

L. H. Whitham, for the past seven years assistant machinist to Alex. Gordon, of the *Star*, has joined the G. P. O. force, and been assigned to the Sixth Division.

O. W. Swarzfaber, until the strike linotype machinist at the *Globe* office, was assigned to work in the Job Room on Monday. "Shorty" is well known around the town, and was for several years in charge of the linotype school when it flourished on G street.

Last week S. M. Simpson, chairman of the Second Division, G. P. O., was presented with a splendid bouquet on the occasion of his re-election. Mr. Schooler voiced the sentiment of Mr. Simpson's supporters in the statement that the presentation was made in behalf of the chapel because of their admiration of him and the noble stand he had taken on the eight-hour question.

The members of the local Typothetæ are certainly a cheerful lot of gentlemen, and if newspaper accounts are worth anything are more easily satisfied now than under former conditions. When asked by reporters as to the condition of their shops as regards the number of printers employed, they cheerfully reply that everything is perfectly satisfactory, and for proof invite the inquirer in the press room to watch the presses run. Abraham Lincoln once said that you could fool all the people some of the time and some of the people all the time, but that you could not fool all the people all the time. Business men and others will soon find out that the Typothetæ members are fooling them, and that the running of a few presses is a long ways from the setting of type; that work entrusted to them will meet with delay and inferior workmanship, and then—well, no one cares to deal with a man who has once deceived him.

After reading last Sunday's papers I have reached the conclusion that printers are pretty much the same the world over, at least so far as that good feeling of fellowship between employer and employee is concerned. From far off and troublesome Russia comes a story of how the compositors on a prominent daily decided to issue from the plant a revolutionary sheet. The proprietor, of course, protested, and even went so far as to make threats to do bodily harm to some of the comps. Then, according to the story, 150 compositors immediately kicked the aforesaid proprietor down several flights of stairs and dragged him back again, and at the point of revolver compelled him to sit in silence and watch the issue of the revolutionary paper. When it was all over the printers expressed great regret at being compelled to resort to such drastic means, but assured the proprietor of their high personal regard for him. After a like assurance on the part of the proprietor, things assumed normal conditions. Now, ain't that just like a lot of printers? Vicious devils!

Speaking about the recent order for six new linotypes for the firm of Judd & Detweiler, of this city, the *Linotype Bulletin* has the following to say:

One of the most flattering and satisfactory orders received by the Linotype Company in some time is that of Judd & Detweiler, Inc., of Washington, for six of the latest pattern linotypes. Some of their new machines are equipped with the new automatic quadding-out device, which in all open composition containing broken lines has wonderfully increased the speed of the machine without effort on the part of the operator. The remaining machines are equipped with the latest linotype table attachments, which allow brass rule to be readily inserted between figure columns.

We say "flattering" and "satisfactory" for the reason that George H. Judd, president of the company, had made an exhaustive and thorough investigation of all mechanical devices and methods offered as substitutes for hand composition, and found that there was but one machine—the linotype—capable of producing composition of the high grade he has always produced by hand work.

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The good feeling of fellowship between employer and employee which existed prior to the date of the general strike has been illustrated in several instances, such as the Howard banquet to employees, etc.

At the Blanchard shop, in New York City, the officers of the company and the employees enjoyed a banquet at Mr. Blanchard's expense, and here are a few of the musical selections rendered on that occasion:

"I Don't Care if You Never Come Back," Mr. Blanchard.
"What You G'wine to do When the Rent Comes Round," The married members.
"I Guess I'll Have to Telegraph My Baby," The single members.
"Everybody Works but the Machinist," The linotype operators.
"All We Want is Sympathy," The chapel.

It's just such little incidents as above mentioned that gives the lie to those who state that belonging to a union estranges the employer and the employee. In fact, you never heard of an employer giving a banquet to his scab force. No, sir; he holds them in the same contempt as does the union printer.

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At the annual meeting of the Government Printing Office Veterans' Club, held on Sunday night in Pythian Temple, the following officers were elected and qualified for the present year: President, Capt. W. R. Ramsey; vice president, D. N. Beach; secretary, J. C. Morgan; treasurer, Charles M. Robinson; sergeant-at-arms, George C. Harris. This club has been organized four years, and as its purposes are entirely for sociability, in which the wives and daughters of members participate, its growth has been phenomenal, the membership now being more than 100. The club will meet again the third Saturday of this month, when those present will be treated to a good social time in the way of listening to short speeches, vocal and instrumental music, and refreshments.

The Washington *Post*, from which the above was taken, might have gone further and added that the entertainments given by the club are among the National Capital's most enjoyable ones. Henry Weber and his popular orchestra are generally heard to good advantage on these occasions, while the old vets. see to it that no stomach goes empty.

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Specification Notes.

The machine is making extra work for proofreaders and the force of correctors.

At least one rumor is born every minute; but some are born to die or die a-bornin'.

It is during such stirring times as these that we most appreciate the value of a local trade paper.

Tom Collins has secured a corner lot in Brightwood and will soon break ground for a store and dwelling.

Present issue of patents, 514; designs, 7; trade marks, 160; reissues, 2. Total, 683.

On Tuesday, by unanimous decree, Mr. Davis was sentenced to serve three more months as chairman of this chapel.

The whitewashers have completed their work in this room, and the windows have been polished to correspond.

There was some fast stepping and hustling done when it came to the point of recovering lost time occasioned by the holidays.

Homer Melick fits in well as imposer since Jerry Walsh left to give out copy which is fed to the Lanstons in Flat 5 of the new building.

The secret is out that Jim Brooke and Harry Billing have inventions up their sleeves which would be of advantage to the Lanston people.

We are all glad to learn that brother Giles has wormed his way into the good graces of those who constitute the Sixth Division Chapel. He did the same thing here.

The order prohibiting the reading of newspapers or periodicals during working hours has been emphasized lately by bold type and by posting in conspicuous places.

None of those who return to the case after a trial of the keyboard are heard to mutter their regrets. They just act like the prodigal son, who seemed to know when he had enough.

Mrs. Ruby A. Myers, a temporary on this force, has the sympathy of friends who have been apprised of her present great anxiety, occasioned by sickness of her children, from diphtheria, at her home in Florida.

Mrs. H. F. Wilson, who spent several months of last year at the Printers' Home, has rented a cottage at Colorado Springs, and, with the children, will reside there until Mrs. Wilson's health is fully restored.

Ben Harrison was excused from office two or three days last week, and on his return reported an addition to his family. The smile he wore was undisturbed by the fact that the sex of the newcomer does not permit of bestowing on her the name of those in official authority.

Some people declare that a portrait appearing in last Saturday's *Star* bore a striking resemblance to our Mr. Grumley, of the proof-room, and to another, only that the kangaroo pose was lacking and the hands were not exposed or fan-shaped. Our Mr. Grumley is a Gentile, and rather good looking.

A gentleman of this Division recently answered an anonymous advertisement in a local paper soliciting a good home for an orphan child. Replying to the advertisement the gentleman asked for information regarding the age, sex, color (of eyes), and general characteristics of the child. He also wished to know something of the child's parentage. In response to these inquiries he was told that the advertisement had appeared prematurely, and for this reason the information desired could not then be given, but that all this could be furnished "near about the 20th inst." Billy will await developments, but he is fast losing interest in the case.

Earl Count Courtney, of the bindery, avowed candidate for President, was in the Specification lobby for just a few moments last Saturday, when he confided to a few of his most intimate friends some new schemes devised for capturing votes necessary to win the prize in 1908. The Count is now at work on another message to the dear people, and we have his word for it that the paper will be nothing less than "a corker," which, we suspect, is an expression employed to escape the charge of plagarism, but nevertheless indicating great strenuosity. We are pleased to note that the Count is satisfied with the present condition of affairs in the G. P. O., and that he contemplates no radical changes in case he succeeds to the Presidency.

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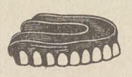
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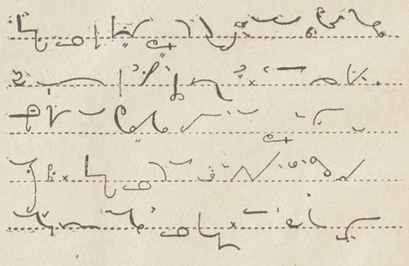

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January 18. Rev. J. O. Spencer, "Japan and Russia."
January 25. Dr. J. Howard Gore, "Holland's Fight With the Sea."
February 1. Mr. W. H. H. Smith, "Our New Navy."
February 8. (To be announced later.)

AT THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

January 9. Dr. W. L. Davidson, "Switzerland."
January 16. Miss Mary Graham Duff, "Florence and Its Arts."
January 23. Dr. Hermann Schoenfeld, "Russia and Poland."
January 30. Mr. John Hi[illegible] "The Swiss." Swiss costumes and music.

JOTTINGS BY JOHN JOTTINGER.

Good morning. Let's have another little session.

One of the leading "Teapot" men down town was bemoaning the ingratitude of his employes on the day of the "walk-out."

"Why," said he, "here I have been paying a machine operator twenty-four dollars a week, when I can get a man to do that work for twelve dollars."

In the first place he probably paid the two dozen plunks because he couldn't help himself, and, secondly, he knew that the twelve-dollar rat wasn't worth a cent more; but just the same if we were bamboozled into believing all the stuff we hear about the good, generous, noble, philanthropic employer—who, to hear him talk, has merely invested his money in order to give employment to printers—if we were to abolish the union, and were to place ourselves at the mercy of the magnanimous, liberal, and highminded "open shop" man behind the pay roll it wouldn't be long before we would all be plugging away for that little twelve per week—and don't you forget it.

Somebody has discovered that the Saturday half holiday originated about A. D. 958. I always did put down as a mendacious prevaricator the party who told me that Jim Feeney thought of it first.

New York's new police commissioner has a cork leg, but up to date that has not handicapped him in the least, since his heaviest work so far has been done with his jaw.

Oh, yes; the open shops down town have all the help they need, and are turning out carloads of work, and are delighted with their help "from the country," but—by the way, you don't know where they could pick up a few good printers, do you?

William Herdman, a Chicago printer who can read, understand, and set type in Hebrew, Arabic, Ethiopian, Greek, and Syriac, has been receiving the princely stipend of $22.50 per week from the *University of Chicago Press* until recently, when he went on strike for the eight-hour day. Of course, this is a little above the Chicago scale, but I can't help thinking that if the gentleman had only added Gaelic, Russian, and Scandian to his linguistic accomplishments he might have been worth an extra fifty cents to his generous employers.

I feel under obligations to Mr. August Donath for his timely and interesting contribution to the history of our "twenty per cent for night work." There is entirely too much "unwritten" history of Columbia Union. In years gone by there have been men who nobly and unselfishly devoted their talents and energy to the advancement of their fellows. Their labors have borne fruit, and we are to-day enjoying that fruit and do not even know to whom we owe our thanks. And in a stage "aside" I might add that if they were perfectly honest about it a considerable number in the G. P. O. would confess that they don't care a tinker's malediction to whom they do owe it. Their curiosity ceases with the knowledge that they are getting all that is coming to them. Through political "drag" or the civil-service law they obtained their situations, and they are too intent on gathering in the coin and damning "square men" and "labor skates" in general, as they are pleased to call them, to give a moment's thought to the fact that men to-day lying in forgotten graves wore out brain and brawn in laying the foundation of better conditions and brighter days for those who were to come after. The most ungrateful being on God's earth is the (alleged) union man who has naught but sneers and flouts and curses for the "square man" who is ever on the alert to secure for his brothers as well as himself every tithe and tittle they are entitled to.

Let us be fair and just to both the dead and the living who have helped to make Columbia Union a power in the labor world and an honor to the community. The old-timers, whose minds are rich store-houses of reminiscence, could contribute many a chapter to the story of the men who won for us the advantages and blessings we enjoy to-day, and possibly they might impress on the minds of a few ingrates the fact that while their "pull" made their jobs possible, the despised "square man" made them desirable.

Mr. Clarence E. Davis, the first Typothetæ employer to get in line for the eight-hour day after the walk-out, may give out as his reason that he was "compelled" to yield on account of the technical character of his work, but I am satisfied that underlying his action was the desire to be just and fair to his employes. Mr. Davis is a capable practical printer, who is turning out some of the neatest work to be seen in the city. Himself a thorough master of his art, his experience in business, extending over fifteen years, has convinced him that the best workmen carry union cards. On a recent occasion he outlined his position to the writer in one sentence: "I don't want any rats in my shop."

Some years ago Bill Brockwell was working with a copyholder named Major Alden. The Major was all right in his way, but at "calling" figures he was "a few points adverse," as they say in the average room. He would insist on reading figures as if he were making a speech, and Brocky found it impossible to break him of the habit. One day he took out a broadcast table about a yard long, with all the figures in the millions. After reading the head and box heads, the Major bravely started in with "Fourteen million six hundred and seventy-four thousand three hundred and forty-eight dollars and nineteen cents."

"Pardon me, Major," said Brocky, laying down his pencil and wiping the perspiration from his brow, "that's not the way to read figures. At that rate we wouldn't finish this galley before next pay day, and, goodness knows, that's a long way off. Just give them to me like this: Fourteen six seventy-four three forty-eight nineteen."

The Major gasped. "But, my dear sir, you would never understand that," he protested.

"Yes, I will," insisted Brocky. "Just go ahead."

"Why, sir, I made speeches before you were born, sir; and I decline to read in any such ridiculous manner. I refuse to take any orders from you, sir, and shall report to the foreman."

At first Brocky was inclined to be angry, but seeing that the old man was in earnest he tried to soothe his feelings rather than see him become the laughing stock of the room. "Now, look here, Major," he said, "you've got a good pair of eyes. Just keep a sharp lookout on those figures and let me read them to you, and you'll see how well we get along."

Somewhat mollified, the copyholder consented. And for three mortal hours Brockwell worked and sweated and fumed over that broadcast galley. When it was finished Major Alden leaned back in his chair, removed his glasses, and gazed admiringly at his partner.

"Mr. Brockwell," said he, "you certainly have a very good voice."

The remarks Brocky made when his copyholder was out of earshot I must refuse to publish.

The successor of "Rough Writer" deserves a hearty welcome to the ranks of the literati, for his paragraphs last week were bright, to the point, and sparkled with kindly humor. I wish, however, he would sign his own name or choose a better nom de plume. Recent events have rubbed a whole lot of bright paint off our military idols, and "Rough Rider" is hardly a name to conjure with among a lot of printers on the water wagon anyhow.

A number of men in the Navy-Yard have had their wages cut—some one cent per hour and others two cents. Truly the spirit of economy is abroad in the land, in spite of the fact that the hot-air artists at the Capitol are busy filling the columns of the *Record* with gush over the "wonderful and overpowering prosperity of our glorious and magnificent country under the wise and beneficent guidance of the splendid and invincible"—*et cetera, ad infinitum, ad nauseam.* Oh, slush!

The gold-lace gentry from Annapolis will please pass their plates for a little more of the light meat; the common herd at the Navy-Yard will get theirs from the Bonaparte.

No, sir; the Typothetæ will never yield to the printers' union and will never again conduct "closed shops"—never, sir, never—well, that is, not for a few days.

Of all places in the business world the large printing office should be free from friction of every kind among the employes. From compositor to reader, reviser, maker-up, stoneman, and pressman, the work should pass from hand to hand in the friendliest spirit. Each has it in his power to lighten and expedite the work of the other, and friction or ill feeling will only serve to retard and in many cases ruin the work of one or the other, to the ultimate loss and exasperation of the employer and the disgust of the customer. This is where the union establishment puts it all over the "open shop," for the main tenet of unionism is "Help one another," while the scab has imbibed principles that would be a credit to the humble swine, and that animal has no ambition above getting its own feet in the trough and its own snout in the swill.

If that is the kind of employe the business man wants, let us wish him joy of his bargain, but if he fondly imagines that some day in the near future he will have good union men working side by side in perfect harmony with incompetent rats and scabs he may as well pinch himself and wake up, for by the time that wonder comes to pass they will be having skating parties in hell.

In the January *Typographical Journal* Mr. S. Piddington, of Toronto, gives an amusing list of typographical errors noted in the space of a year. Here is one caught in the *Record* the other night: "Resolution defining the word *dago* [days] in leaves to print."

A little closer analysis of the vote on the assessment reveals the fact that 8 votes were cast against it down town, only two of which were cast by men most affected by the strike—that is, who were to walk out and give up their situations. The bad-Weather Bureau chapel cast 9 against it, making a total of only 17 outside of the G. P. O. and its branches, and leaving 299 to the credit (God save the mark!) of individuals who get from four to six dollars for an eight-hour day, with thirty days leave annually, and for some reason (which they can not justify before the bar of their own conscience) refuse to help their brothers who are only asking three dollars for eight hours without any leave of absence. And in this bunch, I am told, is one man who, when lying flat on his back, with not a dollar in the house and no credit at the grocery, was generously aided by the members of the union till he was again on his feet. In the "gratitude" column that fellow's rating would hardly require more than a cipher.

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

President Adams Presented With a Gavel By His Colleagues.

AUDITING COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Columbia Typographical Union is Pledged Moral and Financial Support—The Plate Printers After Kernan's Theater—Standing Committees for the Term.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday by President Adams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Bill for rent of hall ($45) for quarter was read and ordered paid.

CREDENTIALS.

Credentials were presented from the following Unions, and being accepted, the Delegates were seated:

Tile Layers. No. 12: S. Beckett, J. Lochte, A. B. Chapman, W. Kemp, and T. Hillary.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers: F. E. Van Horne, vice R. Frankhausen, and E. Heflin, vice W. Martin.

Steam Fitters, No. 10: C. Hudson, F. C. Luce, George Stewart (vice Allison), Wm. Holihan, and J. E. Sherry (vice Rogers).

Plumbers, No. 5: John J. Corridon, Samuel Tapp, John McDonald, Wm. Johnson, and J. F. Gill.

Electrical Workers, No. 26: Ed Saxer, Ralph Forney, James McQueen, and E. S. Morgan.

Elevator Constructors, No. 10: R. Stockman, B. Umhau, C. J. Faulstick, W. Burkhead, and W. Hilton.

Sheet Metal Workers, No. 102: James W. Considine, R. G. M. Ross, Chas. Wright, Walter House, Charles Ockenhausen.

Plate Printers, No. 2: Wm. E. Dooley.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Stationary Firemen, No. 63, inclosing copy of resolutions relative to indorsement of a bill in Congress to advance the interests of firemen in this city, and asking that the Legislative Committee use their efforts to secure the passage of the bill. Resolution adopted.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Columbia Typographical Union: Delegate Ring made a brief statement of the present struggle to enforce the eight-hour day, in the composing rooms of employing printers, and asked that Delegates aid in insisting on the Union label on all printing. He also stated that his organization was prepared to finance the strike here, but desired the moral support of the Central Labor Union.

On motion of Delegate Feeney, of Bookbinders' Union, the Central Labor Union pledged its moral and financial support to Columbia Typographical Union.

Horseshoers: Delegate Hessen called attention to label of Journeymen Horseshoers (J. H. U.) stamped on each shoe, and requested all Delegates to insist on the label being on the shoes of horses they may drive.

Musicians: Called attention to bill introduced in Congress relative to increased pay of Marine Band in order to relieve the Marine Band from the necessity of taking private contracts, and asked that that matter be referred to Legislative Committee. Request granted.

Machinists (Columbia Lodge): Delegate Beaumont made the following address in presenting President Adams with a handsome gavel:

MR. PRESIDENT: A most pleasant duty has been delegated to me this evening. This body gathered together as a whole, representing the many branches of industry, having seen fit to elevate you to the highest position within its power, it devolves upon Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. of M., to show its appreciation of the fact, that, in the history of this body, for the first time, a representative from the Navy Yard has been selected as its presiding officer. That appreciation has taken the form of the gavel, symbolic of authority, which I hold in my hand.

In the name of organized labor of the Washington Navy Yard in general, and Columbia Lodge of Machinists in particular, I present it. Accept it, Sir, with the best wishes of your shopmates, with the friendly admonition to wield this, in the future, as you have used others in the past, in justice to all and with favoritism to none.

President Adams, in a few well-chosen words, replied to Delegate Beaumont, expressing his deep appreciation of the respect shown to him.

Plate Printers: Delegate McClure reported that, through the committee from that Union, they had failed to adjust the Kernan Theater grievance, but that they had decided to push the case to a finish, and asked the co-operation of the Delegates to interest the Unions in the case.

Steam Fitters: Requested a change in their agreement with Master Builders' Association in naming a committee on arbitration from building trades represented in the Central Labor Union instead of late Building Trades Council

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Organization Committee reported progress in Teamsters' case.

Special committee to assist Grocery Clerks' reported on cases in Southeast Washington, and at request of Grocery Clerks' representative a committee consisting of Delegates McGuigan, McCarthy, and Webber were appointed to secure a contract from a Southeast grocer.

The Auditing Committee reported that the balance on hand July 1, 1905, was $264 79, and that receipts from dues ($745 26) for six months ending December 31, 1905, and amount received from Labor Day Committee ($1,159 35) made total on hand December 31, 1905, $2,169.40.

The expenditures for the same period was $583.33, leaving a balance of $1,586.07, which, with twenty-five shares of Merchants and Mechanics' Savings Bank stock of par value of $250, made total available resources $1,836.07.

The committee recommended that the stock certificate of Union Outfitters to Men Co. be destroyed, as it is of no value. They also recommended that the Financial Secretary and Treasurer submit quarterly reports, which recommendation was referred to Committee on Revision of Constitution.

The committee also recommended the unions that have been disbanded be stricken from the books, and that delinquent unions be referred to the Organization Committee.

The recommendations of the committee were adopted.

NEW BUSINESS.

The Secretary reported that President Gompers had accepted an invitation to lecture, under the auspices of this body, on Monday evening, February 12, and would accompany his lecture with stereopticon views of union labels and conditions.

The Secretary was instructed to furnish list and price of office furniture needed by this body, and price of typewriter.

The president announced the following standing committees:

Trustees—M. Hellmuth, Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen; Moses Peyton, Hod Carriers No. 21; M. W. Chism, Ice Wagon Drivers.

Legislative Committee—J. F. McCarthy, Bartenders; C. W. Winslow, Bridge and Structural Iron Workers; T. M. Ring, Columbia Typographical Union; D. F. Manning, Retail Clerks.

Grievance Committee—J. W. Leedy, Amalgamated Carpenters; J. Lorch, Engineers No. 99; N. C. Sprague, Printing Pressmen; John Webber, Bakers and Confectioners; T. C. Fox, Bakers Drivers.

Organization Committee—J. L. Feeney, Bookbinders; M. A. Bowen, Columbia Lodge of Machinists; G. H. Adams, Amalgamated Carpenters; J. G. Schmidt, Bakers and Confectioners.

Credential Committee—C. A. Pfau, Grocery Clerks; F. C. Luce, Plumbers; W. T. E. Hessen, Horseshoers.

Label Committee—F. C. Roberts, Columbia Typographical Union; J. H. Brahler, Cigarmakers; F. J. McKenna, Plate Printers; I. Geraci, Tailors; J. Moser, Retail Clerks.

Contract Committee—S. J. Bryan, Ironworkers; J. W. Considine, Sheet Metal Workers; A. D. Manger, Brewery Workers; L. R. Boyd, Musicians; J. D. Bland, Stationary Firemen.

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The many friends of E. E. Sheldon, late of the Foundry Division, G. P. O., regret his departure, and wish him success in his new field of labor.

Mr. Sheldon will be associated with his father, who conducts a large printing establishment at Hartford, Conn. He possesses marked ability in his craft, and is a strong advocate of union principles.

Mr. Sheldon came to Washington from the Norwood *Press*, Norwood, Mass.

Columbia Typographical Union.

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THE LITTLE TYPOTHETÆ LAD.

A little Typothetæ lad
Questioned his noble sire
About some bickerings he had
With men who work for hire.

"Say, pa," he said, "pray tell me why
There's wrinkles on your brow?
What makes you heave the hurtful sigh?
Is it the printers' row?"

"Yes, son. The printers want to boss
My shop as well as me,
But, by the Typothetæ Joss,
Such things shall never be."

"But pa, they say they only fight
For justice here below.
Bill Typo says it aint not right
To treat the printers so."

"Nay, son; the printers only yearn
For slavery's sordid slops.
If they want freedom they should earn
Their dough in open shops.

"In fact, their union is to blame,
Which takes their rights away;
And so I seek in freedom's name
To save the nine-hour day."

"But, pa, why not twelve hours, and so
Make, as it seems to me
(Praise God from Whom all blessings flow),
The printers still more free?"

"Heaven bless thee, boy! Thy prattlings bluff
A mighty truth disclose;
The more we cut their freedom off
The more their freedom grows."

WILLIAM TIPTON TALBOTT.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Bro. W. S. Macdonald has resigned his position in the Yard to accept an offer as linotype machinist in the *Star* office.

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The newly elected presiding officer of the Central Labor Union was born in Manchester, Va., 1870; served his apprenticeship in the railroad shops of that city, finishing same in 1888. In 1890 he joined the I. A. of M., and for several years he traveled South and East working at his trade and lecturing on trade unions. In the local lodges with which he has been connected, he has held important positions. During the Spanish War he came to Washington and entered the Naval Gun Factory, afterward resigning to accept the position of business agent and organizer in Virginia, and had the satisfaction of knowing that in the short period he held that position the membership increased more than one hundred per cent. Resigning that position he again entered the Navy Yard. Since that sime he has served Columbia Lodge as secretary and president. He was one of the incorporators and is at present one of the directors of the Merchants and Mechanics' Savings Bank.

In 1901 President Adams was married to Miss Beulah, E., the beautiful and charming daughter of Dr. J. W. Herbert, one of the most prominent physicians in this city. President Adams is an extensive reader, an able debater, firm in his convictions, tolerant of the opinions of others, and fair in his decisions. I predict a business central body during his administration.

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One evening last week I was sitting in a lunch room on the Avenue. While waiting my turn, I noticed a small lad, poorly dressed, enter.

Accosting one of the waiters, he remarked:

"Sam, here is the dish you loaned me yesterday to carry something to mamma."

Sam took the dish from the hands of the lad with the remark:

"This is the last day you can get your dinner, as the gentleman who stood for you has left the city.

I saw the tears gather in the eyes of the boy as he murmured, "What will mamma do now?"

Just at this point a gentleman who had been a listener to the above, called the lad to him and asked him what was the trouble. Between sobs and tears the little fellow said:

"Papa is dead and mamma and I live together in one room. Mamma sews and I sell papers. We were getting along nicely until a short time ago when mamma was taken sick. Since that time she has been unable to do any work, and I cannot make much selling papers. One day about a month ago a gentleman whom papa knew bought a paper from me, and when he asked about mamma, I told him all. He kindly took me to this lunch room and gave me not only my dinner but something for mamma. He also gave orders to give me my dinner every day until further orders. Sam says he has left the city and I don't care for myself, but I am sorry for mamma."

"How many meals do you have a day," asked his inquisitor.

"Only one, said the little fellow, and I take some of that to mamma."

I was curious to know how his newly made acquaintance would act, and felt relieved when he called the waiter to him and said: "Sam, this little man will be my guest every evening for dinner until he tells me that his mamma is well. See that he also takes some good things home to his mother."

That man is a member of Columbia Lodge and does not spell Keefe with an O.

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Within the next thirty days the history of steam engines as the propelling power to run the plant in the Naval Gun Factory will be past history.

The new electric power plant is now in operation and as fast as connections can be made and motors installed in the various shops the steam engines will be removed.

In this power plant there are four great dynamos and four engines of the vertical cross-compound Corless type. The construction of this great power plant, the largest in Government service, is the result of many hours of study and labor on the part of Mr. W. G. Reed, Superintendent of Electrical Engineering in the Yard, and to him alone is the credit due, as the many appliances connected with the power plant are his intenvions.

TIM TICKLE.

THE EIGHT-HOUR STRIKE.

Conditions Unchanged in Down Town Printing Offices.

The second week of the strike in the book and job offices shows no material change in the situation.

It is asserted that few of the offices involved in the strike have enough competent men to handle the work in hand, and the promise of the National Typothetæ to supply good men has not been fulfilled.

One feature of the contest that stands out clearly is the extreme good nature displayed in the fight. The struggle here, if it can be called such, has been conducted on strict business lines, and Chairman Parsons, of the Eight-Hour Commtttee, has shown that he possesses marked ability in the present contest. His constant vigilance and attention to the strike has won the admiration of the men and respect of those who have business to transact with him.

It is confidently claimed that next week will see the majority of the struck shops back in the fold.

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Services Conducted Under Auspices of Columbia Typographical Union—Addresses of High Order of Merit—Franklin the Foremost Man of His Day.

A fair audience attended the public meeting at Masonic Temple to commemorate the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin. The meeting was held under the auspices of Columbia Typographical Union and its Ex-Delegates Association, and was interesting and instructive to all present.

Dexter S. Hussey, president of the Ex-Delegates Association, was chairman, and after opening the meeting introduced Hon. W. E. Andrews, of Nebraska, first auditor of the Treasury. Mr. Andrews, who is a great admirer of Franklin, delivered a masterly address, pointing out the idea that above all Franklin never failed to stand for honest labor, and cherished the fact that he was a printer. The life work of Franklin was portrayed by the speaker as the greatest heritage left us by any American in history. Mr. Andrews was eloquent throughout and displayed a rare knowledge of his subject.

Representative J. Warren Keifer, of Ohio, followed in an address that dwelt on the many inventions of Franklin and declared that if Benjamin Franklin had not been born poor possibly the world would have lost him as a grand character, as his inventions and discoveries were for the common good of all. He spoke of his great philanthrophy, sharing his purse with the needy, and working at all times to aid his fellow man.

Frank K. Foster, of Boston, called attention to the loyalty of Franklin to the craft, and stated that while in Franklin's time there was no organization, there would be no doubt that if he were alive to-day he would be found with the printers in their fight for the eight-hour day, as he was the author of the expression, "Eight hours work, eight hours rest, and eight hours play."

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, asked his audience to allow him to dwell more particularly on the present demand for the eight-hour day for the printers. He spoke of the attitude of the employers as inconsistent in view of the fact that they had over two years to prepare for the change, and that the justice of the demand had been conceded in over four hundred cities. He closed with a peroration that the eight-hour day for the printing trade was as certain as the sun rises to-morrow.

T. V. Powderly was the last speaker of the evening, and added a few laurels to Franklin that had been overlooked by the previous speakers. He compared conditions to-day in the labor world with the conditions of Franklin's time and called attention to the fact that Franklin had said in his time four hours work per day was all sufficient to create all the necessities of life, and if such a condition maintained at that time, surely we can accept the claim of an eight-hour day in this day of labor saving machinery.

Mr. Powderly expressed pleasure at being asked to participate in the services and stated that he had a warm spot for printers, and particularly for Columbia Union, which had on past occasions indorsed him for positions in the Government service, and would always hold himself their debtor, and would be pleased to be at their service at any time.

Mr. Hussey read letters of regret at not being present from Public Printer Stillings, Senator Gallinger, Representatives Grosvenor, J. Adam Bede, Champ Clark, W. O. Smith, of Pennsylvania, N. W. Gilbert, of Indiana, John J. Jenkins, and A. F. Dawson.

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THE latest edition of war rumors is bound in morocco.

SOME are born liars, some can't help it, and others write anti-union bulletins.

PROFESSOR GUNTON, the political economist, doesn't seem to have his domestic economy on straight.

THE Typothetæ, scorning self,
When Union war clouds lower,
Would save the workman from himself,
Likewise that extra hour.

JOHN MACINTIRE'S urgent and frequent advice to the Typothetæ to keep on fighting until victory is won would seem to indicate that he wants to cinch his present job as a permanent certainty.

A Burning Question.

The case of Lieutenant BUTLER, court-martialed and reduced twelve points in rank for requesting an enlisted man seated near him in a theater to remove to some other location, recently added zest to the burning question as to whether common soldiers should be allowed to sit in the more or less exclusive sections of theaters, to the everlasting shame and exquisite torment of real ladies and gents in store clothes. It is easy to realize how a commissioned officer of exceedingly genteel proclivities might shrink from the spectacle of a sergeant of artillery entrenched, as it were, within the festive zone of a lieutenant and his guests of a theater party. But we fail to understand how—unless by virtue of a providential injunction against restraint of trade—any one arrayed in any old kind of decent garments can be lawfully denied the privileges of a seat in any part of a place of amusement. Viewed in the light of good taste and the esthetic fitness of things, it may be true, as some appear to think, that a line should be drawn somewhere, and it is not likely that the bronze lady on the dome of the Capitol would fall off her perch should the line be drawn at the common soldier. It is a question, likewise, whether there is ground for the fear of some patriots that the flag will wave less proudly through the absence of a soldier boy more or less from the front row of the orchestra. But if the uniformed soldier must appear in the front row, why not the uniformed policeman or letter-carrier or street car conductor or motorman or even the chauffeur? The latter is also a man of blood and iron and is in his way a picturesque ornament of any assembly, and the same may be said of the policeman. A well-behaved, fresh shaved car-conductor or motorman or letter-carrier, provided his uniform is spick and span, and his hair has been cut during the quarter last past, would scarcely impress the stigma of vulgarity upon the worst recherche orchestra chair. However, there does not seem to be any irresistable desire on their part to illuminate the honorable callings which they represent in the choice seats of the playhouse. And this suggests an incidental question. Why should the common soldier, whose business is not more important in the upbuilding of the state and the glorification of the flag, and whose stipend is considerably less than theirs—why should he specially yearn to break in the genial precincts of the bass fiddle to the lamentable depletion of his not too plentiful store of simoleons?

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

A RATOTHETICAL PARADOX.

Says "the bould Macintire,"
An unconscionable liar,
"Ratothetæ has plenty of rats!"
But it's only a bluff;
They've not half enough,
And half that they have got are "cats."

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Col. E. F. Ruffin is again favoring the city with his presence. I met him at strike headquarters one day last week, and though he shook hands with me warmly, he said, "I'm afraid you've got the best of me; I can't recall your name." "That's funny," said Frank Hatley, to whom he was talking when I approached; "you were roasting him a few minutes ago." I suppose the Colonel will remain in the city as long as the strike and its attendant features continue. I heard all his stories years ago, and believe most of them.

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The Typothetæ offices in New York and Chicago are connected by long-distance telephone, to which magaphones have been attached. Their use grew out of a conversation something like this:

"Hello, Chicago!"
"Hello! That you, New York?"
"Yes. How are you getting along?"
"Got all the men we want."
"What's that?"
"*Got all the men we want.*"
"Beg pardon!"
"GOT ALL THE MEN WE WANT."
"Once more, please!"
"GOT ALL THE MEN WE WANT. What's the matter? Can't you hear?"
"Oh, yes; I only wanted to hear you say it real loud."
"How are you fixed?"
"We're going to win."
"Hey?"
"*We're going to win.*"
"What's that?"
"WE'RE GOING TO WIN!"
"Come again, please!"
"WE'RE GOING TO WIN!"
"Good! I only wanted to be sure!"
"Say!"
"Well!"
"Let's get magaphones."
"All right! What we say will sound more convincing."

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I am under compliment to the Woman's Auxiliary, No. 41, of Chicago Typographical Union, No. 16, and especially Mrs. Charles H. Gard, chairman of the Entertainment Committee, for an invitation to the second annual ball of this organization, to be held in Chicago on January 31. In her invitation Mrs. Gard says: "In the midst of our labor troubles, let's take an evening off and be merry. A happy face is worth a dozen sour ones." Chicago is famous for her social affairs among printers, and now that they have the Woman's Auxiliary to manage them they are even greater successes. I wish it were possible for me to be among my Chicago friends in their festivities.

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Ladies, if they are Butterick's, boycott them. These are they:

Delineator,	New Idea,
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New Idea Catalogue,	Women's Herald,
Family Council,	Banner Fashion.

Some of these are given out free by the department stores. Cut 'em out in whatever shape they come to your attention. The Butterick's are rat from cellar to garret. Cut out the above list and put it in your purse or handbag. The ladies alone can help us in this feature of this fight.

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If the railroads have to pay cash for their legislation, their judicial decisions, and their newspaper advertising, I don't see how dividends are to be increased by the abolition of passes. Of course, the pass business is on a par, from a commercial standpoint, with the country newspaper practice of taking pumpkins and cordwood on subscription, but, unlike the country editor, the railroads do not have to depend on it.

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When a whole community of 2,000 people are of one way of thinking on a certain matter except one or two, it is pretty safe to gamble that the majority are right. That is a general life rule. When one or two members rebel and attempt to neutralize the course of the union, with no other object than the saving of the amount involved in dues and assessments, they need not be surprised that the loyal members show their resentment of their treachery in the same way that they would show their abhorrence of a foul crime, for to the trade unionist there can be no worse crime than the violation of the solemn obligation of the union. You would not speak to a convicted thief or other malefactor; why should you be expected to hold social converse with one who in a union man's eyes is equally contemptible?

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Roberts, one of the Typothetæ men who are still holding out, has a Dutch rat in his employ.

"How much do you want?" Roberts asked when he put him on.

"Dwendy-dwo tollars a veek," said the Deutscher.

"Why, that is more than the scale," said Roberts.

"Vot de hail haf I got to do mit de schkale?" asked Dutchy.

He was taken on all right, and a few evenings after was asked to work overtime.

"Vell, I vork ofertime," he said.

"What pay do you want for overtime?" he was asked.

"Dupple pay," he said.

"Double pay!" gasped Roberts. "I never heard——"

"See here, Mr. Roperts," said the Dutchman, "you've got me here to break de sthrike, und ven dot iss ofer you dump me. Py Cott, you haf got to pay me vile I'm here. I'm in dis for efery tam cent I can get out of it, and don'd you forket it!"

That is the noble motive that actuates all rats

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Franc Sheiry, manager of the John F. Sheiry Typothetæ establishment, says that he has divided himself into three shifts of eight hours each, some days working all three shifts, others but two, and occasionally but one. The fact that he thus recognizes the eight-hour principle is encouraging.

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I received a note a day or two ago giving me the name of an old gentleman who has been for over two years retired from business, but who pays his dues and assessments with the same regularity that he did all through his life as a union man, though too modest to have his name published. This may serve to make some of the young fellows who are squealing about dues and assessments realize that all the world is not like them.

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Some New York rats have sued the New York *Unionist* for $10,000 damages each for printing their names on a "roll of dishonor." If becoming a rat does not entitle a printer to a position on the "roll of dishonor" nothing could, though if we wait long enough such a man will show in other ways his criminal instincts and total lack of honor.

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The Cuban Congress has passed a law forbidding the importation of strike-breakers into Cuba under a penalty of $100 for each "scab," to be imposed on the captains of vessels. Cuba thus early recognizes one of the worst of the criminal classes and takes prompt measures to protect herself.

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It is understood that a former compositor, sometimes laborer, in the office, who was recently let out for strongly suspected theft, is now ratting at Butterick's, in New York. It is as perfectly natural for a rat to be a thief as it is for a thief to be a rat; in fact, they are convertible terms.

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We all sympathize most sincerely with "Comrade" Brockwell in his severe illness.

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My Boston friends hope to be able to enforce the eight-hour day without a strike, though the Teapot is showing some activity in the way of making resistance. By the time the contract expires in Boston, some time in February, the success of the I. T. U. will be so manifest everywhere that the Boston Teapot will be willing to accept the results.

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I hear that one of the Typothetæ offices is so mad because Judd & Detweiler signed the scale and conceded the eight-hour day before they got ready that it won't play any more. Come in, gentlemen; any time is "the time," and, like other brands of salvation, ours is free while the lamp holds out to burn.

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The other day I received a letter from W. C. Dewar, who worked in the Job Room in and after 1880, who is now serving his second term as city judge of Eureka, Utah, a city of 10,000 people, and secretary of the McKinley Mining Company. At the beginning of the new year he went to the proprietors of the printing offices there and demanded an eight-hour day and the scale of wages that is paid at Salt Lake City, which were acceded to without a murmur. He asks as to the whereabouts of a number of former friends, and wants to be remembered to those who remember him. He says he is as red-hot a Republican as ever.

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One of the smaller Typothetæ employers, who is doing his own work and has not yet surrendered, was asked the other day how he was getting along. "All right," he said; "I work sixteen hours a day and do what I d——d please with the other eight."

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Another letter from Lon Shimp, of the Georgetown-South Seattle (Wash.) *News*, indicates his prosperity is continuing and his enthusiasm not a whit abated. He is another witness to the fact that it sometimes takes a man a long time to find out what is in him.

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It is a fact, no matter what statements may be made to the contrary, that there is not a Typothetæ office in the city that is coming within 50 per cent of keeping up with its work, and there are not one dozen competent non-union printers in the city, all told, notwithstanding the promises of "the bould Macintire" to supply all the men needed. You'd better fire Mac for incompetency, Messrs. Teapotters.

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John D. Rockefeller is said to be very generous to the poor. So was Robin Hood, but he robbed only the rich.

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It is not often that I make a howl about typographical errors, for their existence furnishes me with employment, but when I use the rather inelegant term "stinkers" and it is printed "strikers" I believe I am justified in bellowing.

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Once in a while the question is raised whether the term "Ancient Free and Accepted Masons" does not want a few commas. It does not, the idea expressed being "The Ancient Order of Free and Accepted Masons," though some writers object to the term "Order" as applied to Masonry.

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Nearly all the striking book and job printers of Syracuse, the Typothetæ men of which city are unusually stubborn, have obtained employment elsewhere, there being a great demand for workmen in the offices which have granted the eight-hour day in all the neighboring cities, because of work going to them which the Typothetæ offices are unable to handle. The Typothetæ may be able to hold out for quite a while, if they can afford to be idle and see their work go to other offices, a condition which prevails to a large extent in this city and is increasing every day.

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Loud are the praises heaped on our Chairman, "Spadge" Parsons, of the Eight-Hour Committee, for his skill, level-headedness, and even temper in handling the strike. Of course, he has able lieutenants (I don't know but some of them are "colonels" by virtue of their ability), but it is to the head of anything that we look for results. If the down-town people could be induced to accept the presidency of the union once in a while, I would be delighted to see "Spadge" be "it." Just now, however, I am pledged to Zack Jenkins, and proud of it.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Sixth Division.

The Sunday *Star* says Chas. Gove, of the Fifth Division, is the first candidate to announce himself for delegate this year.

Albert Johnstone has been transferred from the Spess Division to the Sixth. In his former Division he was employed on the Lanston caster.

Automobiles are soon to take the place of G. P. O. delivery wagons for deliveries. Now for a pipe system to carry away the deadly gas fumes.

The G. P. O. emergency hospital received four patients from this Division during two days of last week. Machines at least makes business good for Dr. Manning.

Chas. Travis, Walter Evans, and Jonn F. Luitich appeared on Monday minus their mustaches. In the order named they resemble Faith, Hope, and Charity.

Louis Feldman, machine helper, was treated at the G. P. O. hospital on Thursday for a mashed finger, the result of being caught in the revolving cams of a merg.

Sumner Belcher, laborer, was transferred from the Department of Commerce and Labor to this Division of the G. P. O. last week. Here's where we get even with that old Department for taking from us Danny Vaughn and Charlie Graff.

Dr. W. J. Manning, of the G. P. O. emergency hospital, called on the Sixth Division Monday and inspected the machines. Volunteers were called for to give the doctor an exhibition of the finger smashing process, but at the time the heroes were too busy to respond.

John H. Clapham, who was employed by the Mergenthaler people as an instructor on the machines when they were first placed in the G. P. O., was a caller in this Division on Saturday. He was en route to Huntington, W. Va., where he will be employed for a few weeks.

Ansley C. Martin suffered an attack of acute indigestion on Thursday of last week, and was compelled to seek the G. P. O. hospital for immediate treatment. Later he retired to his home where a day's rest put him in condition to resume operations at the old stand.

Fred Moore, operator on Merg. 8, has discovered that metal heated to a temperature of 550 degrees will cause sore spots when it comes in contact with the fingers. While casting blank slugs last Friday he had the misfortune to receive several bad burns on his left hand, followed by a visit to Dr. Manning and a detail to the Proof Room.

James N. McCormick, Merg. 28, returned to work on Monday, having been absent last week assisting in the search for his brother John, who so mysteriously disappeared from a steamboat en route from Baltimore. Mr. McCormick says there is no foundation of fact in the many sensational stories printed about his brother.

By the way if Bill Herdman, the striking Chicago University printer, who can set type in the languages of Hebrew, Arabic, Ethiopian, Greek, Syriac, Virginian, Bostonese, and several others not enumerated, doesn't get back to work pretty soon he might come to Washington and stir up something in the Ethiopian line. Washington ought to be a good field.

Mr. Pard Bloomer says that I probably turned over a new leaf on New Year's day. When a man publishes the statement that he has been presented with several thousand sheets of paper and envelopes to match, with name and address printed thereon, etc., and when asked to show a sample, fails to produce, its about time somebody else was turning over a few leaves.

J. S. Garner, of this Division, tried to reach the Proof Room last week through the G. P. O. emergency hospital. When Dr. Manning got through with him he was booked as having a compound wound of the index finger of the left hand. While assisting Frank Pyne at the make-up bank he run a large splinter into his finger, but the good doctor fixed him up so that he was able to continue at the same job.

Dr. Chas W. Radley, of the copy desk, this Division, was called to his former home in Batavia, N. Y., last Saturday by the receipt of the news that his aged mother was rapidly passing away. At this writing I have not heard as to her condition, but having passed the alloted three score and ten by six years, the chances are she has passed over the divide. In his bereavement Dr. Radley has the sympathy of the entire chapel.

S. C. Koons, lino-machinist at the Library Branch, was a caller at the Big Shop one day last week, where he inspected the quadding device attachment for linotypes. Reaching the conclusion that it was the proper thing for the class of work turned out at that Branch, Mr. Koons immediately attached one to his lately arrived new machine. Mr. Koons is an up-to-date machinist, and has his plant equipped with the latest appliances for convenience and speed.

I know of a fellow in this Division who has the race horse game down to a science. He's turned the business into an art, and gives employment to the whole family—his wife and a small boy. He doesn't do it through the "dope" sheet, either, for he has no more use for that "rag" than the devil has for a Sunday-school tract. His scheme is the master work of his own brain. The boy keeps a daily carded index of all winners, weights, conditions of track, jockeys, etc., while his wife keeps tab on the winnings. The work is supposed to be pretty evenly divided between the better half and the kid, but its a good 100 to 1 or better that the kid has the busy end of the deal.

There is a rumor to the effect that a man who for several years has been employed in the G. P. O., alternating as compositor and laborer, and who recently resigned and returned to his Illinois home, has joined the forces of Butterick in New York. While a member of Washington Union at least four or five subscriptions were passed for his benefit, and possibly over $300 realized. He has worked the Washington field to a finish, and is probably looking for greener fields and pastures new. In this regard I am afraid he will meet with disappointment, for if Butterick's scab force is made up of the type of men who have left Washington for there, they are birds of the same feather and will soon devour each other.

CHAS. S. GUNN.

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Bindery Notes.

W. H. Singleton, one of the most popular men of the Blank Division, has been seriously ill, but is now slowly improving.

Two members of Local No. 4 resigned last week, both members receiving honorable withdrawal cards. One will practice medicine in this city and the other will take up practical farming in the West.

Woman's Bindery Union gave a public installation of officers on Monday evening at their hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. W. B. Hyde, Fred Seyfferth, and several members of the Bindery minstrels assisted them in making it a big success.

Foreman W. A. Willis has taken his thirty-day leave and W. C. Connor, his assistant, is performing his duties. Connor is noted for his up-to date methods and plays no favorites with the men. To use his own expression, "All bookbinders look alike to me."

The Entertainment Committee of the Ex-Delegates Association have decided to hold on Washington Birthday eve an informal dance at the National Rifles Armory instead of the usual entertainment and ball that is generally given every year by the Union. The entire proceeds of the dance will go to the convention fund, as the committee desire to raise at least $2,000 for entertainment of the delegates to the convention next June.

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President Feeney, of No. 4, has appointed Joe McManus chairman of the Board of Delegates to the Central Labor Union. At the last election Joe was a candidate for President of the Union and he gave Feeney as hard a run as he ever had for office, and it shows exceptional good feeling when a successful candidate immediately appoints his defeated opponent to office.

McManus is a graduate of the Georgetown Law School, and no doubt he will be Feeney's candidate next year for the office of President, as I have been informed that Jim stated at the last meeting that he would not again be a candidate for any office in No. 4.

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Mrs. P. A. O'Brien has received the permit from Chief Clerk H. T. Brian for the apron privilege in the G. P. O.

Mrs. O'Brien has assumed a big laundry debt of her husband's and she will endeavor to pay off that debt and support herself and one-year-old baby. She kindly requests the patronage of the many friends of her husband, assuring them of prompt attention every week.

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Typothetæ and Union.

Come, Mr. Typothetæ, now that the strike is nearing an end, let us shake hands, have a love feast and make up. Let co-operation be the catchword by which we will cement our friendship. The old conditions of society are passing away. Cut-throat competition between business men will soon be a thing of the past, as it is now between men at the case. There should be only rivalry to produce the best results, and to produce the best results there must be co-operation between employer and employee. Let the Typothetæ act in harmony with the Union. There must be systematic co-operation with the Union. When men are wanted there should be a conference between employers and the Secretary's office of the Union. To get good Union men and women, a fair pay rate must be established, its unit to be decided upon by existing conditions. If the expense be greater, let the public stand the expense. The public will pay for good work. The most successful printers, employing Union labor, get out attractive printing, charge good prices for it, and get the price.

As to Union men and nonunion men, Unionism of to-day is simply a means to an end in this country. There is a gradual leveling of social conditions here. Take the Government Printing Office for an example of what the class of men and women employed there is. The term ladies and gentlemen is scarcely heard nowadays. It belongs more properly to an era of knight-heraldry, when there was a wide chasm between the lord and lady and the smith, serf, or peasant. We are to-day men and women, no matter whether an employer or an employee, with a common bond between us. The employer of to-day may be an employee to-morrow, and vice versa. Such is practically the case. There are those in the great printing office who have formerly been employers of labor, who have been members of professions, and there are those who have gone out from the office, after taking degrees, to practice in professions, or to conduct a business for themselves. Again, there are those who occupy a high rank in various orders, and employer and employee stand on a level and engage in friendly rivalry for the highest position in the order. So, let our friends, the Typothetæ, take the coup gracefully, and their reward will be the satisfaction of harmony and good feeling all around.

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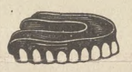
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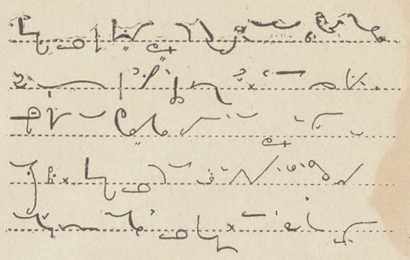
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What's the matter, Mr. President, are you afraid to call a meeting?

You top notchers look out for Conroy. He is coming like a race horse.

"Squeezer" Westhall, of the Cow Boys, is considered the hardest worker in the League.

Official Scorer (?) Murray, of the "Plunks," is quite busy these days fixing up averages.

I hope my communications will not give offense to any one, as they are sent in just for amusement.

The Tall Sycamore of the Wabash, Doheny, of the Pressmen, is holding up his end exceedingly well.

"Happy Hooligan" Atkins is always willing to tell anyone the sensation you feel when you poodle on a spare. Cheer up, Cap.

Beddow, of the Aldines, has returned to the game, and is landing out spares with the same dexterity that he nails the elusive comma.

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have the
pins set up so
nicely in the final frame
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pins thus after
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JOTTINGS BY JOHN JOTTINGER.

Good morning. Do you find this column warm enough for this kind of weather?

At the rate their patronage is melting away some of the "Teapot" people will soon be in a position to "make a noise like a bankrupt."

The mere recollection of our long and successful fight for the restoration of the wage scale in the G. P. O., in which we had the united support of sister unions, ought to strengthen the loyalty of every man who ever raised his right hand and took the union obligation—to all of which he pledged his "sacred honor." But the "sacred honor" of some men is about on a par with the sacred virtue of the courtesan.

One would-be traitor to the union at least is learning that his path is not one of roses. Coming to his daily toil he meets not one pleasant word of greeting; the long hours through he performs his duties in utter silence; shunned like a pestilence by his former associates, he raises his eyes from his work only to meet their scornful glances, and when two or more engage in conversation in his vicinity some of the remarks that fall on his ears must burn into his soul like hot linotype metal. When he departs for his home he leaves without the kindly, cheerful words that every decent printer has learned to covet from his associates, and if he should disappear from the circle which his presence contaminates no word of regret would fall from the lips of true union men, whose honor and whose union cards are inseparably linked. We have heard and read of the Ass in the Lion's Skin, but, wonder of wonders, here we have the conditions reversed, and the mirth-provoking impersonation is perfect!

You will invariably find that the severest critic of the union "labor skate" is a union "cheap skate."

I am informed that one Division in the G. P. O. harbors an individual who has given it out that his decision to quit paying dues was reached after spending hours on his knees praying for "light" from above. My knowledge of the party merely leads me to wonder why he has never sought divine guidance on the question of washing the back of his neck. It sadly needs it.

Mr. Herbert Van De Bogert, of the Night Bill Force, has a son who for two years has been roughing it with a United States Geological Survey party. During that time he has passed through some exciting experiences, but his latest, in the Grand Canyon of the Colorado, came near being his last. After waiting five days for the return of a companion who had been sent to another camp for supplies and was overtaken by a terrible snowstorm, young Van De Bogert and a man named Chapin started out for the head of the Bright Angel Creek trail, taking only a blanket apiece and a small supply of provisions. The distance was only six miles, but on account of the deep snow they were two days covering the route and two more reaching a place of safety from there, where, more dead than alive, they were cared for till the rest of the surveying party came up. Their missing companion had reached the camp he started for, in a badly frozen condition, after a four days' battle with the elements. Mr. Van De Bogert is naturally very proud of his son, whose nerve has been tested on several occasions. The young man is now in Denver, where he is visiting his mother and sister, the former having been compelled by her failing health to try the virtues of the climate of Colorado.

W. N. Brockwell has been confined to his home for several days with a severe attack of neuralgia. A year ago he was dangerously ill with erysipelas, and during the past summer three of his four children were down with diphtheria. Brocky certainly seems to have more than his share of hard luck, but adversity lacks the power to sour his kindly disposition, and I'll venture the guess that while sick abed he racked his brains over the troubles of somebody else and as soon as he gets out he will be reminded of a story.

Frank Smith has thawed out and is giving away chewing tobacco. This is an unfailing sign of an early campaign, but not a sign of good tobacco.

How long will it take union men of ordinary intelligence to learn that he who stands by his organization when danger threatens from without or within is more respected by his employer than the one who seeks to curry favor by turning traitor? With all their faults our business men are Americans, and every true American despises an ingrate.

Strange what an indelible impression some things will make on the human mind. On the day the newspapers printed the story of J. F. McCormick's mysterious disappearance I asked a friend if he had heard about it. "No, I haven't," replied he, wearily. "Which symposium was he treasurer of?"

Some of us might display a greater interest in the bill for the regulation of railroad rates if we were not so continually occupied with the consideration of the bill for last month's groceries.

The Typothetæ are giving out nothing but the curt statement that "everything is satisfactory." Incidentally they are watching each other to see who will be the next to fly the coop.

He was a new man, and he had never before been up against the peculiarities of "geology" style. When his proof came back he looked at it and then roared: "Well, I'll be dash blanked! For twenty years I've tried to remember on which side of the 'a' the 'u' goes in 'gauge' and now this sap-headed proofreader marks it out entirely!"

When Eugene Ware was Commissioner of Pensions he was in the habit of carrying some of his poetry to the White House, I understand. That may explain the agitation of the employes when Mrs. Morris appeared with her effusion on "Insomnia."

In a class all by his little self is the would-be union buster who has watched and waited for a safe opportunity to not only drop his own card but to induce others to do so. He joined at a time, perhaps, when a card meant to him a chance to keep body and soul together—a chance for a square meal and a pair of pants that would at least hide from the scornful gaze of the world the tail of his dirty shirt. From that day fortune smiled on him, and he has succeeded in acquiring some of the world's goods. Perhaps by this time he owns some real estate, or has a block of stock in the Printer group of mines, or can afford porterhouse steak for breakfast, but as his dollars increased his soul shriveled, and he began to bewail every cent "wrung" from him by his union. Since the decision in the Miller case he no longer feels the need of a card, and beyond his own welfare his feeble mind never gropes. Until that time he paid his tax with a whine and a snarl increasing month by month, because he felt that the union was in a position to get his scalp and his job, and he was hardly cast in the heroic moid of martyrs who risk their all in a cause they consider just. But he waited and watched until he could secure the protection of some one in power supposed to be antagonistic to labor unions. Finally he thinks the golden opportunity has come, and he stands forth in the light of day as an "independent" printer, prating of his "principles."

"Principles!" If it were not disgusting it would be mirth-provoking to gaze on this pitiful specimen of humanity that crouched and cringed when he needed the union's protection and help and now seeks to convey the impression that he gives up his union card because his "principles" conflict with those of the union. Just as if a rat ever had any principles!

I am naming no names. This is merely a composite picture I have drawn, and it need offend no man whose conscience is clear. He who recognizes his portrait and confesses it merits nothing but the contempt of the men and women whom fate throws into his society day after day. Perhaps there are more like him. Perhaps there are quite a few who in their innermost hearts yearn to follow the lead of such a creature, but unless they are ready to face the scorn and ostracism of their former associates it would be advisable for them to check their desire to join the little and extremely contemptible band of "union busters," for unless I have been misinformed the great light which they have hailed with so much glee bids fair to turn out "an ignis fatuus that bewitches and leads men into pools and ditches."

Peculiar, isn't it, that the poor, overworked Government clerk, who gnashed his teeth and foamed at the mouth at the order compelling him to work seven hours a day, has still enough vitality left after his exhausting day's work to act as strike breaker and "make a noise like a printer" for men who regard the eight-hour day as entirely too short for toilers at the case and the machine?

I hope Mr. Belcher will not consider me presumptuous if I respectfully call his attention to the fact that since he has relaxed his vigilance some of the hands are neglecting to pull the plug.

One of the down-town Teapots last week gave out the statement that he had turned down three men who had applied for work because he didn't need them. His business has either dwindled dreadfully or he has forgotten the fate of Ananias.

JOHN J. OTTINGER.

OUR FRISCO LETTER.

A Former Washingtonian Contributes an Interesting Epistle.

SAN FRANCISCO, *Jan. 10, 1906.*

San Francisco has inaugurated a city administration unique in America, following an election where a fusion of Democrats, Republicans, Citizens' Alliance and corporate interests on one ticket, with millions of dollars expended, met total defeat from the Union Labor ticket. Except for the mayor, the several officers re-elected are those who held places as Republicans or Democrats, but were denied renomination by their parties in combined conventions because of their municipal ownership inclinations. These, apparently left out in the cold, in a moment of sympathy were placed on the Union Labor ticket.

I cannot but feel that the successful candidates were as surprised as were their defeated opponents at the result. With money which bought the daily press, the religious journals, ministers of the gospel fervid in oratory as they jingled fusion gold, and those few Judas Iscariots of labor unions always ready to deceive their fellows for the dollar in hand—against these were pitted workingmen untrained in the art of deception or the oratory to forcefully present their cause, and buoyed largely by the hope of friendship and fealty of fellow workers.

San Francisco is the only city with the elective franchise having but one legislative body, a board of supervisors of eighteen members, elected by the entire vote. The powers of the mayor are exceptional, with that of removal large and that of appointment absolute. But this charter was granted by the legislature without thought of the contingency of a Union Labor mayor.

Of the new officers the auditor is a printer, newspaper writer, the sheriff, city clerk, and two of the supervisors are pressmen; several are school teachers somewhat under the ban because of their advanced thought.

Herbert George, countryman of Typothetæ McIntyre, imported from Denver to run things Peabody Colorado style, has departed between two days. Three months ago he declared the purpose of naming the sheriff, the chief of police—the judges he has mostly always with him because he sees them first—and things were to be as he said. Alas for the bluff that availeth not.

The only city in California affected by the eight-hour demand is Los Angeles, as Sacramento, Stockton, and other cities not then working eight hours signed January 2. Probably half the printers and pressmen of Los Angeles are out. They will be cared for financially through State aid. Convention of State Federation of Labor instructed its officers to urge affiliated bodies—totaling membership of forty odd thousand—per capita assessment of five cents. State Building Trades Council in convention at San Jose yesterday levied one cent a month per capita for that purpose. In San Francisco alone this organization exceeds 35,000.

George A. Tracy was elected from the floor to the presidency of No. 21 over the first vice-president by a vote of 200 to 57. This did not represent the attendance by probably 150. The vote did not occur for nearly four hours after opening, and many night workers largely favoring Tracy had got out.

The 10 per cent carried by 4 or 5 to 1. A feature was that several recently unionized offices of raw material with a total vote of about 20 went solid against it, showing that time is an element in the inculcation of union principles.

"Kid" Eckdall, well known as a former Washington printer, arrived here from the Philippines about two months ago.

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

Upholsterers International Union Protest Carpet Mechanics Union.

P. B. OTTERBACK FAILS TO SIGN

Seven Unions Present New Credentials—Carpet Mechanics Quite Active Against Unfair List—"Something to Think About"—Leon Tobriner Retained.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday, President Adams in the chair.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Credentials were received from the following Unions, and being indorsed by the Committee on Credentials, the delegates-elect were obligated and seated:

Bakers: John G. Schmidt, John Weber, E. H. Meyer, John Geiger, and Gustave Henning.

Barbers, No. 239: Wm. J. Greosch, Antony Floria, E. H. Meuser, Antony Ficco, and Theo. A. Leckert.

Barbers, No. 305: Charles Bowman, Silas Blunt, Oscar McDaniel, Daniel Sample, and George Walton.

Carpet Mechanics: John B. Colpoys, Harry Shearer, Chas. A. Hutchins, Guy Farson, and Joseph M. Foster.

Cigar Makers Union: J. Wingate, J. H. Brahler, J. F. Bradengeyer, J. Irich, and S. J. Collins.

Painters, No. 368: John Scott, W. M. Lewis, W. C. Whipp, W. H. Lestrange, and Hugh D. Digney.

Paperhangers, No. 420: Levi Bowen and Boone Hutchinson.

The Grievance Committee reported that the slate was clean and that they had no unfinished business on hand.

Bills amounting to $15.25 were read and ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Carpet Mechanics Union, No. 1, stating that they had indorsed the entire unfair list of the Central Labor Union and placed a fine of $5 on any of its members patronizing a firm or using an article declared unfair by the Central Labor Union. The Union also desired to express its thanks for assistance rendered in its fight against Peter Grogan Co.

From Peter Bohrer, Jr., secretary of Rochester (N. Y.) Central Trades and Labor Council, relative to Sherman testimonial. Placed on file.

From Typographical Union, No. 117, stating that the Crowell Publishing Co., having declared in favor of the open shop and issued an injunction against that Union for endeavoring to stop the sale of the *Woman's Home Companion*, and asking that publicity be given action of that firm. Referred to Columbia Typographical Union.

From Samuel Gompers, president of American Federation of Labor, stating the Upholsterers International Union protests against an independent union of that craft being affliated with this body, and asking for information relative to this change. Referred to Committee on Organization.

INDORSEMENTS.

Elevator Constructors No. 10: Indorsing action of Central Labor Union in placing W. S. Jenks, Dave Wolf, and Golden & Co., on unfair list, and imposing a fine of $5 on members patronizing same.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Bartenders: Delegate McCarthy tendered his resignation as chairman of Legislative Committee, which was accepted.

Engineers No. 99: That they had adopted a system of writing three letters a week to firms on the unfair list and request them to unionize their establishments.

Hod Carriers: Called attention to Department of Agriculture contract, and Delegate Ross, McGuigan, and Sprague were appointed a committee to wait on the contractor.

Musicians: Called attention to the fact that Kernan and Academy of Music were still on unfair list.

Machinists presented a bill before Congress and requested that the Legislative Committee take the matter in charge. The request was granted.

Retail Clerks: Called attention to Dave Wolf being still on the unfair list and that C. Auerbach & Son had signed a contract.

Grocery Clerks: Stated that they would give a dance on Wednesday evening at Southeast Temple.

Sheet Metal Workers presented the following which was referred to the Legislative Committee:

SOMETHING FOR YOU TO THINK ABOUT.

NEW YORK, *July 14, 1904.*

DEAR SIRS:—We announced in our confidential bulletins of May 1 and May 16 that the complete Anti-Injunction hearings would be sent you shortly. Unluckily, there was some hitch in the House judiciary committee because of which we were finally obliged to obtain a special order for the printing of 4,000 copies of these—at no expense to the Association, of course, either for the printing or postage, as we are able to send out this book, like the first, under the Congressional frank of Mr. Jenkins. We have just sent you the complete book; and as these hearings were inspired and managed by the National Association of Manufacturers, we ask you to preserve the document, not only for the great intrinsic value which it has as an educational document, but because it is another evidence of the activity and success of our Association in which you can justly take an honest pride.

Yours most cordially,

MARSHALL CUSHING,

Secretary National Mfrs. Ass'n.

The Special Committee appointed for the purpose of securing a contract from P. B. Otterback, the grocer, reported that they had failed to secure same.

The Auditing Committee having reported that bank stock in Merchants and Mechanics Bank was held in the name of the ex-treasurer, the secretary was directed to transfer the stock to the trustees of the Central Labor Union.

The Executive Committee reported that they had retained Leon Tobriner as attorney in the injunction suit filed by Master Horseshoers Association.

Adjourned.

A Contrast.

We take the following from *The Labor News*, Colorado Springs, Colo., evidently from the pen of W. E. Shields:

Every day reports are coming that printing offices are signing with the Typographical Union for the eight-hour day and the closed shop. The day last week when McIntyre got out his circular saying Washington, D. C., was solid against the Union, Judd & Detweiler, the largest private firm in that city, employing sixty-five compositors, signed up for the closed shop and the eight-hour day, and in doing so Mr. Detweiler said the Typothetæ had utterly failed in its promises to supply men, and that, as the union had treated him fairly for twenty-five years he proposed to continue to do business with it. I remember this particular firm when it employed two men and an apprentice—that was twenty-five years ago. The men belonged to the union and Mr. Judd was himself an old member. Under "union domination" that office thrived, erected a large building, and to-day employs a total of one hundred and fifty men.

I remember another employer at the time I speak of who would have nothing to do with the union. He had a better plant and brighter prospects from having capital, but he could never get a stable and competent force in his composing room. To-day his name is forgotten in that city, while the firm of Judd & Detweiler will be remembered in the printing world so long as Washington lasts. What has been found to be true in this case is proving so all over the country, and daily the duplicity of the Typothetæ leaders and their utter inability to make good is being demonstrated.

The Typothetæ leaders rejected all overtures to a sane settlement of our contentions. They challenged us to what we had hoped was a thing of the past in our business—a national strike—believing enough of our men would prove traitors to defeat us. But here we are on the third week of the battle, pouring $80,000 a week into the strike centers, and not one per cent of our members have deserted us.

In this line of battle we will be found as long as there is a Typothetæ shop refusing to do business with us, whether it takes ten weeks or ten years. Our leaders can't stop the eight-hour movement if they would. They wouldn't if they could. We are American citizens, living, vital forces in our communities. We have the money and the men. Better than all, our cause is just. We stand for the Masonic work day, and we will get it.

By the Way.

Editors THE TRADES UNIONIST:

Allow the writer to doff his hat to one member of Typographical Unon, No. 101, who attended the meeting last Sunday—F. C. Roberts is his name. Speaking of an eight-hour work day, why he was there with the goods, all wool and a yard wide. He is to be congratulated upon the manner in which he handled the subject. Without fear or favor, and without offense, he told of the violations of the eight-hour law in the great print shop that will no doubt speedily bring about a correction of the same. Publicity is a great factor in our present life, and to make matters of this kind public calls for courage, and he has shown that he possesses the right kind. His stand for eight hours and his splendid work for the Union label impels me again to say, I doff my hat to him.

EIGHT HOURS.

COLUMBIA UNION MEETING

General Laws of I. T. U. to be Enforced on Daily Newspapers.

ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING HELD

Carriage Workers Union Send Greeting—Newspaper Scale Committee Reports—Central Labor Union Tenders Support—New Election Law Submitted.

The regular monthly meeting of Columbia Typographical Union was called to order at 2.20 p. m. last Sunday, President Berg in the chair.

The traveling cards received since last meeting were read and accepted.

The Membership Committee reported favorably on application for full membership of Edwin P. Goodwin and for apprentice membership of George H. Mackenzie and L. E. Kluge.

On application of D. J. Gatchell for full membership the committee was granted further time.

On application of Matthias Cuddy for transfer to the superannuated roll the committee recommended favorable action.

The report of the committee was adopted and the candidates present were obligated.

Bills amounting to $38.60 were read and ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From August Donath and Geo. M. Depue, fowarding donations to the eight-hour fund. The Secretary was directed to acknowledge donations, with thanks.

From resident members of the Union at Union Printers Home, acknowledging receipt of Christmas remembrance.

From Carriage and Wagon Workers Union, No. 72, pledging moral and financial support to this Union in its fight to secure the eight-hour day. Secretary directed to extend thanks of the Union.

From Ex-Delegates Association of Columbia Typographical Union, placing all funds in its treasury at the disposal of the Union in present strike. Secretary directed to acknowledge same, with thanks.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

On an alleged violation by a member of resolution of Union regarding holding a regular situation and conducting a printing office after hours, the Business Committee recommended that the matter be dropped, as the case had been adjusted. The report of the committee was adopted.

The Business Committee was also called upon to decide what price per hour should be paid for time work on an eight-hour basis, but reported the matter to the Union for action. The Union decided that 37½ cents was the scale in down-town book and job offices running on the eight-hour basis.

On question of enforcing certain sections of the general laws of the I. T. U. in daily newspaper chapels, the Business Committee presented a letter from President Lynch bearing on the subject and recommended that the Secretary be directed to forward a copy of the letter to the chairmen of newspaper chapels, with instructions to apply the law as set forth therein by February 18, 1906. The recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

The Grievance Committee, on request of Oil Wagon Drivers Union, recommended that only drivers of that Union be patronized by members in buying oil.

The committee asked further time in the case of W. S. Jenks, which was granted.

The Newspaper Scale Committee presented a verbal report, and offered a resolution outlining policy of the Union in settlement of contention between the Union and the Evening Star Co. The resolution was adopted.

Chairman Parsons, from Eight-Hour Committee, made a report of the condition of the strike, saying that the strikers were confident, and that he believed the ultimate outcome would be victory for the Union.

Mr. Ring, from the Franklin Day Celebration Committee, stated that the exercises held on that occasion were a success, and that several eminent public men had been present and delivered addresses. He asked that the Secretary send suitable acknowledgement of the Union to the gentlemen who delivered addresses, which was agreed to.

Mr. Ring, from Delegates to Central Labor Union, reported that he had presented the strike condition of the Union to the central body, which had unanimously indorsed the strike, and pledged its moral and financial support to the same. He also reported that Golden & Co. had been placed on the unfair list of the Central Labor Union.

Mr. Hall, from Allied Printing Trades Council Delegates, reported that on the inauguration of the eight-hour strike the labels were collected from the struck offices, some of the proprietors expressing deep regret at having to part with their men.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS.

The President reported four deaths since the last meeting, and called attention to the death of Frank Farrish, who was not in good standing at the time of his death. On the statement being made that $35 would cover the expense of burial the Union appropriated that amount.

The Secretary presented the question of employing printers working without cards, and on motion the matter was referred to Laws Committee for report at next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS.

Mr. Kreiter introduced a resolution to the effect that each new member initiated into the Union shall receive an I. T. U. button on subscribing to the obligation of the Union, and that the Secretary be directed to secure a sufficient number of buttons to place on sale for members who desire the same. The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Kreiter introduced an amendment to Section 2, Article II, By-Laws, relative to election of delegates to I. T. U., giving two delegates to the newspaper branch and two delegates to the book and job branch of the Union. The amendment was ordered printed on the call.

A representative from Stationary Engineers Union, No. 99, addressed the Union relative to the grievance of that organization against Golden & Co. The President notified the representative that action would be taken after official notice was given by the Secretary of the Central Labor Union.

F. C. Roberts called attention to alleged violation of eight-hour law in working men overtime in the Government Printing Office while the law prohibited it, and on motion a committee was ordered appointed to interview the Public Printer for the purpose of having the matter remedied.

Adjourned.

To Give a Banquet.

The members of the Second Division, G. P. O., propose to give a banquet on the eve of Washington's Birthday. The same gentlemen who successfully engineered last year's banquet are the moving spirits in connection with the present affair. All reports are to the effect that on the former occasion the corporeal wants of the guests were amply provided for, and that consistent streams of wit and merriment rippled along the flow of talk like moonlight across a wind-swept lake. It is therefore safe to conclude that those who attend will enjoy a time to be remembered.

Convalescent.

Mrs. William F. Schooler, who has been ill of diphtheria in Cincinnati, is recovering, but has lost her voice. Mrs. Schooler is the wife of the popular secretary of the Second Division, whose many friends sincerely hope that her voice as well as her general health may be speedily restored.

Sent to an Asylum.

We clip the following paragraph from Union Printers' Home notes in *The Labor News*, Colorado Springs, Colo. Mr. Hanlon, up to five years ago, was an employee of the First Division, G. P. O., and disappeared from this city after his discharge at that time:

Samuel C. Hanlon, of Denver Union, No 49, for several years a resident of the Home, has been removed to the Hospital for the Insane, at Pueblo. Mr. Hanlon is subject to epiletic fits, and while in them he sometimes works in convulsions for two or three hours, frequently inflicting injury on himself. The management concluded to remove him to the hospital at Pueblo, where they have all the facilities to care for such cases.

THE EIGHT-HOUR CONTEST.

Conditions Remain the Same as Reported Last Week.

The third week of the contest for an eight-hour day in the printing offices of this city finds conditions unchanged. The Typothetæ claim to be satisfied with present conditions and Chairman Parsons, for the Eight-Hour Committee of the Union, expressed satisfaction with progress made by the Union.

The feature of the week was the address of President Lynch on Tuesday evening at the Temple to the members of the Union. He carried his audience with him at every declaration made bearing on the present contest, and had data and figures at his command to show that the cause of the I. T. U. was but fair and just in the demand for the shorter workday,

President Lynch made a splendid impression on those present at the meeting, and if there was any need of reviving the interest in the present contest he made all his hearers feel that it was essential that we shall give every aid at our command to assist those on strike.

At the close of his remarks he was accorded a rising vote of thanks for his address.

Baltimore Items.

Tom Kilduff and his aggregation have pulled out of the Herald Annex and are now located at the corner of Charles and Lombard streets.

We expect to have no difficulty here in securing the eight-hour day. The present agreement with the book and job establishments does not expire until February 27.

One of Boston's female operators flooded the town several weeks ago with applications for a situation. She said she would join the Union if necessary, but would prefer to work in a non-union office. I have not heard that anyone has accepted her services.

Albert Stair, who has been conducting a cigar and news store on Gay street, has sold his business to Burton Hicox, of the Herald chapel. Mr. Stair has not been in good health for several months. He is well known from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and I am sure his numerous friends will regret to hear that he is not so active as he used to be. His ailment is locomotor ataxia.

Baltimore is luxuriating in a rumor that a new morning newspaper of the Hearst family is soon to be published here. Mr. Hearst, it is said, has had a representative here for some time looking over the field. It is said that he at first contemplated taking hold of one of the afternoon papers, but the owners held it at such a high price that he concluded it would be cheaper to fit out an entirely new plant, especially as the afternoon paper had not an Associated Press franchise.

Several candidates are in the field for delegate to the Colorado Springs Convention, among them being George Litz, of the *News*, chairman of the Nominations Committee; J. Thomas Lyons, also of the *News* chapel; E. J. Burgas, of Fleet, McGinley, & Co.; William J. King, of King Bros.; Henry A. McAnarney, of the *Sun* chapel; and George J. Foster, of the *American* chapel. It is said that either George K. Little or Ernest Knapp, of the *Herald* chapel, will enter the lists. The *Herald* has not had a candidate for delegate since the Washington convention.

William F. Talbott, a member of Columbia Union, is suffering with partial paralysis at the home of his mother, on East Fayette street. Mr. Talbott was at the Union Printers' Home for several years, but thinking that he was in condition to resume work he left that institution about eighteen months ago. He was disappointed, however, as his condition grew worse immediately after he arrived here. He has made application, through Columbia Union for readmission to the Home, but owing to a legal technicality his case has been held up by the Board of Trustees. Mr. Talbott is a veteran of the Spanish-American War.

SPECTATOR.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

AFTER-DINNER DILATIONS.

It looks more and more as if the Typothetæ were about to say sufficient.

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A rising vote of thanks to Wm. Reed or his admirable skill illustrating the shorter workday.

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Alas! and has it come to this, that all the news must come through Riis, while others make the loop de loop, but all too late to make a "scoop."

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It is perfectly safe to intrust to Senator Tillman the job of adding gayety to the scene whenever the Senate has an attack of that drowsy feeling.

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Brother Ottinger is doing his share toward keeping the pot boiling while he cleverly jabs the Typothetæ. Some of his doses are certainly rough on rats.

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When Mr. Rockefeller is wanted to answer to the charge of law breaking, he goes to Florida. For a less offense the man who cannot go to Florida goes to jail.

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There is plenty of evidence to prove that the Typothetæ people are not really suited with the way they are at present running their business to suit themselves.

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The election news from old England gives substantial encouragement to those interested in the cause of labor and better representative government on this side of the big pond.

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By executive order the heads of Departments are now required to edit all matter submitted for publication. The one great trouble heretofore has been that they never seemed to know when to stop editing.

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An impressive silence is maintained by visitors at the book sepulcher in Mt. Vernon Square, as if to honor those who perished in the murderous assault and unequal struggle with Carnegie's hired Pinkerton thugs at Homestead.

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Here is something intended to cheer the hearts of our friends of the blue grass region:

Here's to the State of Kentucky
The State where I was born;
Where the corn is full of kernels,
And the Colonels are full of corn.

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A lady in town was lately attracted by something she saw and wanted in the window of a jewelry store, and not having the ready money conceived the idea of forging a check bearing the name of Chauncey M. Depew. Instead of getting what she wanted she merely got what she deseved.

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We don't know the exact distance to St. Petersburg, but Congressman Sultzer's talk last Sunday evening was suggestive of a long-distance message, with little concern as to whether or not it was heard outside of the United States or only reached those of the "East Side" in New York.

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To the uncompromising man, who is consciously right, there surely will come an hour of great satisfaction and reward. The test is with the individual, who must possess abiding faith and await events which shall in good time demonstrate the unerring accuracy of fixed principles. The strongest men have at some time or other stood with the lone minority.

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We have sometimes thought that the Citizens' Association, now pleading for a more perfect street car service, would do well to first ask for more hand-straps, which are of proven utility in steadying and giving ballast while the car is rounding sharp curves. It should be remembered that the officers of the different lines, who ride in automobiles or carriages, are mainly interested in the spot cash earnings of their roads and are not in a position to know all that is going on within a packed public car. More standing room and more guy-straps would be a great convenience as a starter.

CYCLE.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 1906.

HIGH wages develop high ideals.

THE days of the long workday are numbered.

THE Typothetæ does well to look wise and say nothing.

IT'S about time for the Parryites to claim credit for the open winter.

THE Monroe Doctrine shouldn't get too chummy with the European war cloud.

THE difference is that JOHN MACINTYRE looks after No. 1 and the Washington printers after No. 101.

IT IS rumored that JOHN MACINTYRE is writing a book entitled, "Me and Ananias; or, Freedom in a Teapot."

THE Fads-and-Fancies revelations would seem to indicate that the Smart Set are not as smart as they have been pen-painted.

EDITOR MANN doesn't care much for figures of speech. Plain, ordinary figures of the dollar-mark brand are good enough for him.

IN ONE respect the term "open shop" is not a misnomer. It can't be kept open for too many hours in the workday to suit the Parryites.

THE statement that the President might hunt big game in Africa next season was immediately followed by the appointment of the Moroccan delegation.

DURING the recent warm spell caterpillars and butterflies invaded New England and the Presidential Bee jabbed his sting into a number of political gents.

IT IS delightful to hear some employers ring the changes on "liberty" and "freedom" but, my, how they do cling to the small change involved in that extra hour.

TO JUDGE from the statement they recently issued it would seem that the Typothetæ must have been treated with brutal frankness by some of Washington's business men.

POULTNEY BIGELOW'S dissatisfaction with the Isthmian Canal Commission for not making the dirt fly may be justifiable, but he can't complain that they didn't make the fur fly.

IT HAS been stated that the "hayseed" no longer exists, but we have our doubts in view of the ease with which the Typothetæ are taken in by the gold-brick bulletins of MACINTYRE.

The St. Louis Scale.

St. Louis Typographical Union, No. 8, again comes in the limelight by signing a nine-hour scale with an eight-hour clause in it. It means nothing more than an increase of $1.90 per week to the employer who desires to work his men on a nine-hour basis. The scale calls for $17.50 on an eight-hour basis; and if the employer desires to work his force nine hours he pays 40 cents for the ninth hour, and 50 cents for each succeeding hour after the ninth hour. A few more sign ups like St. Louis would nullify the effect of the fight for an eight-hour day.

The Unionist and Progress.

The insinuation sometimes voiced by enemies of organized labor that American workmen avail themselves of the trade union as a shield behind which to maligner and slur their work is so obviously false as scarcely to need a denial. The fact that the manufactures of this country are not excelled in quality, while they successfully compete with the products of other lands in all markets, indicates that the workingmen of the United States are remarkably industrious and efficient. As a matter of fact, the American workingman responds with profitable alacrity to generous treatment, and his pride in his ability to do a large amount of good work in a given time is in the nature of a patriotic sentiment. That this is due to the influence of organized labor we thoroughly believe. For the trade union, in advancing the wages and generally improving the condition of the workingman, has indirectly done something more. It has improved his character, it has made him keenly conscious of his responsibility as a factor in the scheme of human existence.

So long as this spirit exists the integrity of trade unionism is safe. Every workingman should therefore strive to cultivate it in all the relations of life. In the workshop, at home, in public places, as a political entity, he should be satisfied with nothing short of a manifestation of the best that is in him. And so shall it come to pass that the United States shall continue to lead the world in the centuries to come because its progress is not retarded by an underpaid, under-fed, under-educated mass of physical, mental, and moral starvelings.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

With foes without, the foes within
Appear the more perfidious;
With polecat smell and jackal skin,
These fake lions make night hideous.

But skunks and jackals well may think
Comparisons invidious;
Our stinkers them can far outstink—
Our foul lions make night hideous.

The hated toad can rouse disgust
And poison brew insidious;
But he must grovel in the dust—
Our false lions make night hideous.

The bedbugs sat 'round on the bed—
"Don't you wish you were rid o' us?"
"We're used to it," the suff'rers said;
"Our lions make night more hideous."

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Here is one of the amusing incidents of the strike, which occurred in Chicago:

E. M. E. Strich was the solitary printer for Schuler Brothers, and when he went on strike he picketed the plant himself. It was pretty cold walking around outside, and as the firm did not appear to be taking on any non-union men, he went inside and sat by the fire, smoking and talking to his former employers.

"Say, Ed," said one of them, "why don't you stay right in here and do your picketing?"

Strich allowed that that would suit him, so they talked the matter over, and his employers agreed to the eight-hour proposition.

How much nicer that was than to keep the pickets out in the cold and even get mad at them and villify them and scratch their necks in anger, as is said to sometimes occur. It is always better to fight good-naturedly.

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I have received an invitation to support Herbert W. Cooke, of Boston, for trustee of the Home. I should like to throw my great influence in Herbert's behalf, but he is president of the Association of Typographical Journal Correspondents, of which I am a prominent and esteemed member, and I am afraid of the cry "Wahneta!" Besides, managing the campaign of Miss Anna Wilson for the same office will give me about all I can attend to if I attend to it in my usual effective manner. But it is early yet. Then there is Joe Dirks, secretary of the Journal Correspondents, who is a candidate for president of the I. T. U., and if I should support both Cooke and Dirks there will really be color for a suspicion that our innocent organization is out for the stuff for its members. I think far more of my immaculate reputation than I do of anything else.

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The many friends, especially among the old-timers, of Arthur A. Allison, of the clerical department of the G. P. O., learned with sorrow of the death of his eldest son, Albert Childs Allison, on Saturday last, aged 23 years. The funeral was on Tuesday, the interment being in Rock Creek Cemetery.

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Ladies, don't forget that if it is Butterick's it is scab. Cut it out.

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I hear some talk, originating in the Second Division, of a disposition to get together and make a noise like a banquet, somewhat on the order of the old Knockers. It is proposed to have it on the night of February 21, so that the boys will have all of the next day in which to think what a good time they had, and in order that it may be a time worthy of such reflection, it is proposed to make it about $1.50 a plate. It is suggested that they may get real devilish and have some talent from one of the vaudeville (vodeveel, please) theaters to eke out the natural jollity. If you feel a disposition to join in, I think you can get a line on it by inquiry in the Second Division.

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I had thought that Sonny Gunn was spiked, but it seems his breechpin blew out and he again indulged in a blowback.

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The *Post* last Sunday devoted a page and a half to the terrible condition of crime that prevails in Chicago. That is probably because the strike-breakers are not employed at their regular vocation.

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Secretary George G. Seibold received the following letter one day last week:

WASHINGTON, D. C., *January 19, 1906.*

Mr. GEORGE G. SEIBOLD,
Secretary of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101.

DEAR SIR: As the sinews of war are necessary in bringing strikes to a successful issue, as for any other work, and as another pay day for the men who are out will soon arrive, I inclose check ($25) for some of the "sinews" for the benefit of the eight-hour movement by Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101.

Hoping the matter will be settled satisfactorily to the membership of the Union at an early date, I am,

Fraternally, etc.,
GEO. M. DEPUE.

Mr. Depue is a clerk in the Bureau of Labor, and his action in this case is inspired entirely by love of our grand old organization, of which he was one of the three delegates to the Buffalo session of the I. T. U. in 1887. It is such loyalty of active, passive and withdrawn members that makes us a tower of strength in withstanding our enemies' assaults and challenges the admiration of the industrial world. A union of such components as ours could not be beaten in a thousand years, and the same spirit pervades the membership of our sister unions throughout the country.

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The time has arrived in the history of the Union Printers' Home when the women members of the I. T. U. should be represented on the board of trustees. I suggest that the friends of Miss Anna Wilson, who represented Washington at St. Louis, bring her out as a candidate for trustee this year. —*Charles W. Fear, in the Kansas City Labor Herald.*

Should "Anna" decide to stand and receive the nomination, there isn't any doubt that she would prove a winning factor. Her friends are legion throughout the International jurisdiction.—*Buffalo Express.*

"Our Anna" is so popular that I have no doubt she will land an easy winner, and I believe she will lead all competitors in the number of nominating unions, preliminary to the contest. Her charms of personality, as well as her intellectuality and great interest in unionism, have made the entire membership of the I. T. U. her friends and supporters.

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A Washington printer inserted an "ad." in the New York *World*, hoping to find a job in the country for the summer. The following is one of the replies he received:

TYPOTHETÆ OF WASHINGTON,
411 Star Building,
WASHINGTON, D. C., *January 16, 1906.*

CAPABLE N., *403 World, Harlem, N. Y.:*

DEAR SIR:—I noticed your advertisement in the New York *World* of the 14th.

If you are a first-class man and your recommendations are satisfactory, we can give you a position in Washington. The scale is $24.00 per week for linotype operators, $18.00 for job compositors, and for straight composition, 45 cents per thousand ems. Better wages for men above the average.

The work is in open shops, with a nine-hour day, and the positions are absolutely permanent to competent men.

If you would like a position in the capital city, I would be glad to have you forward at once some recommendation as to your ability, or give me the name of a former employer, who can give me a line on your character and ability.

Very truly, yours,
THE TYPOTHETÆ OF WASHINGTON,
By T. W. CADICK.

This hardly bears out the oft-repeated statement that the Typothetæ has all the men it wants. Mr. Cadick was one of the most insistent union men we had when he was working as a journeyman.

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Organizer "Spadge" Parsons, chairman of the Eight-Hour Committee, made a report at the Union meeting last Sunday, though an informal one, that evoked the greatest enthusiasm. The applause which he received when he rose to speak was an inspiration, and as he related the cheering news of the campaign again and again the applause broke forth. It seems that, though complaining that union men have been trying to keep work away from the Typothetæ offices, the Typothetæ has been sending around circulars asking business men to sustain it by refusing to give work to the eight-hour offices, many of the circulars having been sent by the recipients to the Eight-Hour Committee for its information. Of course, the brother who "wants to know why" was present at the union meeting, but he did not seem happy when he was told.

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The frog of old who tried to swell up until he was as large as an ox made a failure because of the insufficient cohesiveness of his tissues, wherefore he burst. The lion who reduced himself to the proportions of a rat succeeded because of being possessed of the inherent elements of littleness.

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Elgin, Ill., famous for watches and butter, is becoming famous for shirts as well, especially as her "Famous" shirt is the only union-label shirt in the market. The manufacturers have offered the union 5 per cent on all sales in this city, and it is up to trades unionists to make such a demand for it that the unwilling merchants will be compelled to keep it on sale. There are but two places which handle it now—Tennille, on Seventh street, and the Bieber-Kauffman Company, of Eighth street southeast. Tell your merchant that if he does not care to handle it you know people who do.

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William Green, president of the New York Typothetæ, complains as follows:

In this strike the Typographical Union is pursuing a wily course. The pickets follow up and accost the men who have taken their places in a courtly and gentlemanly way and endeavor to point out to them by conversational methods the folly of their course, the superior advantages of unionism from their point of view, and the benefits it confers. This, instead of arousing the antagonism of the newcomer, often completely disarms him and he falls an easy victim to their blandishments.

When the strike started we hired a lot of guards to protect our men. We employed a corps of photographers to take pictures of pickets who might attack them, and engaged lawyers to be on hand to prosecute the strikers who might resort to violence. All the money expended in these several directions has been wasted because of the change in tactics by Typographical Union No. 6.

As Typographical Unions never did resort to violence in strikes, New York Union made no change in her tactics, and as Mr. Green had no precedents to warrant his suspicions in that direction, I am forced to the conclusion that he made his preparations to meet a line of action that he would follow in like circumstances were conditions reversed, for most men suspect others of what they would do themselves. Having the right on its side has enabled the union not only to win the sympathy of the public in general, but of those who had been misguided by Typothetæ methods into helping to thwart it. We will not only win this strike, but we will come out of it much stronger numerically and in loyalty than ever before.

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These magnificent lines were recently quoted—I know not their origin—in the *Miners' Magazine*, at the end of a paragraph announcing the "going wrong" of a unionist:

We shall march prospering—not through his presence;
Songs may inspirit us—not from his lyre;
Deeds will be done while he boasts his quiescence,
Still bidding crouch whom the rest bade aspire.
Blot out his name, then—record one lost soul more,
One task more declined, one more footpath untrod,
One more triumph for devils, and sorrow for angels,
One wrong more to man, one more insult to God.

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Johnny Ottinger tells me that on account of the death of his landlord and friend, which occurred suddenly last Sunday, he will be unable to contribute his quota this week. The tabasco sauce which seasons his contributions will not deteriorate in the meantime, it is safe to say.

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Joe Gibson presented a splendid meerschaum pipe and a pound of tobacco to Frank D. Smith one day last week. I don't know what was the occasion for Gibson's munificence.

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Those who were so fortunate to hear Andrew Furuseth's address at the strike headquarters last Saturday speak in the highest terms of him as an orator and thinker.

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John B. Dickman, ex-president and ex-delegate of Columbia Union and ex-president of the Central Labor Union, who recently underwent an operation for an abscess of the brain, has entirely recovered and resumed work.

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With soul as misshapen as body—
A knee-sprung, toe-teetering gawk.
A sour gent. on water or toddy,
A natural rat squeak in his talk—
He has left us to be a true rodent,
A class where he's always belonged;
But he's mentally weak and impotent
Either to wrong or be wronged.

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The other day I was gratified to receive a beautifully executed folded card, with a big golden "8" and a "stick" containing our eight-hour slogan, in type, on the front, and with this little deserved message on the inside:

A. F. BLOOMER: The Printing Trades Unions of San Francisco desire to sincerely thank you for the assistance rendered during their struggle for the retention of the eight-hour workday.

Your help was invaluable, is duly appreciated, and aided very materially in making success possible.

(Signed by San Francisco Typographical Union, No. 21; San Francisco Printing Pressmen's Union, No. 24, and San Francisco Press Assistants' Union, No. 33.)

It is a beautiful recognition of the work done in behalf of those unions by their friends and sympathizers, and while I cannot consent that I was ever of any real service in that fight, I appreciate the compliment and the good feeling which prompted the sending of it to me.

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Mrs. Keatley Martin Johns, wife of Walter R. Johns, of the Main Proof Room, and daughter of Thomas H. Martin, died last Monday morning, at the residence of her husband and parents, 1327 T street northwest, after a long and painful illness of cancer. The funeral was on Wednesday, at Foundry M. E. Church. Mr. Johns has the deepest sympathy of his fellow-workmen in his bereavement, as he has had during the long but patiently borne sufferings of his wife.

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A party from Pittsburg having been industriously circulating a report that there are 300 men in that city who are not paying the 10 per cent assessment, which has been repeated by other liars, Secretary-Treasurer C. Q. Lafferty, of Pittsburg Union, No. 7, was written to on the subject, returning the following answer:

I am surprised that even a liar would report the condition in Pittsburg as —— did. We are in better shape here than for fifteen years. We have 53 offices signed up and over 200 men employed in said firms. We have the struck offices badly crippled, and we are expecting to add to our list before the fight is over. We can get along without such men as ——, but we hate to inflict punishment on a sister union. We are all acquainted with Michael and I presume the Washington boys will soon know him.

It seems that ——, whose name has been suppressed out of regard for a relative, who is a square fellow, was let out of a newspaper situation there, and developed a grouch against the city. "Another lie nailed."

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Don't forget the meeting of G. P. O. Council, National Union, next Saturday night. I am told the "Speaker" has concocted a corking good program in connection with the installation ceremonies. It will be at 7.30 p. m., at the Pythian Temple, 1012 Ninth street northwest.

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"The iniquitous open shop in Boston and Philadelphia, which has made the name of the latter a byword," said President Lynch in his speech here last Tuesday, "will be abolished and every office will be a union office or a rat office hereafter." He was very complimentary referring to the fight being made in Philadelphia. In Niagara Falls the union men had been offered a bonus of $130 each to rat, and the offer found not a single traitor. It was a speech that every union printer ought to have heard.

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I have received from Hon. Charles P. Neill, Commissioner of Labor, the last Annual Report and Bulletin 60 of the Bureau of Labor.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

First Division.

I'm not going to be married, but am going to change my name, nevertheless. Not the one that was given me in my infancy, when I was so small I could not defend myself, but the one only recently acquired, "Rough Rider." Hereafter (if there be a hereafter) I shall use the nom de plume "Del Norte," which, translated from the French into Bowery, means "Jimmy the Goat."

It is hard to look resigned when asked for your resignation.

Some folks won't stand for going 'way back and sitting down.

The way to see some persons at their worst is to get the best of them.

The proofreader doesn't like to get a reproof. How about it, Captain.

Its no sign that "Larry is a wise guy because he is "a regular night owl.

Ben Pratt went down town to a dermatologist to have his face changed, but came back unchanged—saw it was a skin game.

Billy Williams was transferred Saturday to the Agriculture Branch. Wonder whom Butler will pick at now that the poor old man has gone.

Eight or ten "Spess" hands reported to the First Division last week for duty. They are welcome to the best Division in the office and consider themselves lucky.

Another pay-day has come and gone. Remarkable how rapidly they do come around. Well, they can't come any too swift to suit yours truly, even if I am getting that much older each time.

I overheard one of the old sports giving a young one some good advice the other day. I caught one sentence, "There may be a good time coming if you don't spend too much time having a good time now."

I hear a certain party, whose name I mentioned in connection with a little pleasantry, has gone and got mad and stopped the paper from coming his way. Now "Kid" if I said anything I ought to be sorry for I'm glad of it.

Are you young enough to pound a Lanston keyboard? Last week they asked for volunteers to learn the keyboard and afterwards sent around to find out how old they were. Wonder if they asked the same question of the girls that are now working on them!

"Jimmie" Weaver, the ex officio politician, who is now a very important member of the day *Record* force, pays his old Division a visit occasionally. Jimmie is now laying low and saving his coin. It looks as if it might be a person of the feminine gender behind it all, and wouldn't be much surprised if his friends should receive an "At home" card soon.

DEL NORTE.

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Sixth Division.

There was no one injured on Tuesday.

"Tommy" Town has been transferred from Merg. 3, this Division, to the Library branch.

J. A. Dent, who recently arrived from Utica, N. Y., as linotype machinist, has been transferred from the day to the night force.

Two members of the Sixth Division were treated for accidents to the fingers at the G. P. O. Emergency Hospital on Monday.

"Whom the Gods would destroy they first make mad." Better sign up at once, Mr. Typothetæ, and save complete destruction.

The Typothetæ is real angry, so 'tis said. Watch out, Mr. Chairman Parsons, or some of them will break your umbrella, then pray for rain.

Among the recent additions to the Proof Room are two of the best known compositors in the G. P. O.—Jack Childress and "Jake" Peffer.

Albert Bernard, helper, was treated at the G. P. O. hospital on Monday for a badly cut finger, the result of being caught in some manner in the electric proof press.

Chas. Sheldon, recently a member of the Job Room chapel, is now a member of the Spess chapel, and busily engaged in mastering the intricacies of the Lanston keyboard.

Dr. Chas. W. Radley returned to work on Monday, having been absent last week at his old home in Batavia, N. Y., attending the death bed and funeral of his aged mother.

Ralph M. Hugdal, of the Third Division, was among those transferred to the Proof Room on Tuesday night. Mr. Hugdal has been there before, and can deliver the goods.

Cyrus Cook, a well-known member of the First Division chapel, has been transferred to the *Gazette*, where he expects to enter into an unlimited contest with a Lanston keyboard.

Vincent Howard, formerly of the Sixth Division, late of the Fourth, was promoted to the Proof Room as reader on Tuesday. If he reads proof as well as he can set type his success is assured.

D. R. Lyons, Merg. 11, was not to be outdone by the Sixth Division Faith, Hope and Charity squad. He came to work on Friday morning minus his mustache. I have no words at my command to express it. You must look for yourselves.

In making a number of appointments to the Proof Room, I understand the Public Printer informed those so promoted that he was guided in the matter solely by their individual records for efficiency in the office. The newly made proofreaders are to be congratulated.

Phil. H. Armstrong, a well-known compositor of the Fifth Division, has resigned, and rumor says he will be connected as a writer with the New York *Journal*. Mr. Armstrong is possessed of much literary talent, and his verses and stories have found ready sale in many of the country's standard magazines.

Charles O'Connell has recently received a letter from his old friend Harry Young, formerly of this Division, saying he is now traveling for a trunk and bag house of Minneapolis, covering a territory extending to the Pacific Coast. He reports having lots of success and being happy.

While casting blank slugs on Monday John Hooper in some manner caught his hand in Merg. 15, thus receiving a bad cut and several bad burns on his hand. Dr. Manning, of the G. P. O. hospital, bandaged him up, and his hand is getting well as fast as can be expected.

John Adams, linotype operator on the *Record*, has lost his pants. They weren't his Sunday trousers, but evidently they were better than the Sunday ones of the fellow who stole them. Mr. Adams called at the shop Monday, looked over the force, but failed to discover anybody wearing them. In the meantime he is operating the machine, dressed in his best suit of clothes. Mr. Adams will pay liberally for information leading to their recovery. In order to assist in the search, I will say they were of pin-stripe pattern, waist 50 by 30 inseam, peg top, and slightly disfigured by constant contact with the polished part of a linotype chair.

D. M. Parry, writing to members of the Manufacturers' Association, asks for "more money," and says the printers will soon tire of raising $60,000 per week by means of assessment. Mr. Parry has probably never met a genuine printer in his life; in all probability he has never conversed with a free-born, independent workman. Surrounded by workmen whose highest ambition is to win a smile from their masters, and to whose soul a dollar is as large as a washtub, he has the audacity to judge union men by that class. But Mr. Parry gets another guess. He will find that not only will the 10 per cent assessment be continued until victory is assured, but that if necessary another 10 per cent would be voted.

The first campaign literature of the season reached this Division this week, John Armstrong, of Toronto, candidate for trustee of the Home, and Hugh Stevenson, of the same city, candidate for I. T. U. delegate to the American Federation of Labor. Each solicit the indorsement of Columbia Union. These men are known to not a few Washington printers as men of exceptional merit, and would probably get Columbia's indorsement were it not for the fact that all signs at the present time indicate that No. 101 will have a few of its own members headed for the same goal. So far as the trusteeship is concerned, it now looks as though the fight for Columbia's indorsement was going to be the prettiest thing pulled off in years.

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The annual reception and dance of the Bookbinders of the Government Printing Office will be held on February 21, eve of Washington's Birthday, at the National Rifles' Armory. The following committee on arrangements has been appointed: John W. Touey, chairman; Messrs. Van Overmeer, Wakefield, Schlick, Bassett, Spellbring, Kelly, Singleton, Flanagan, Miller, Ashion, and Ruedy.

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The Convention Committee of Local No. 4, International Brotherhood of Bookbinders, held their monthly meeting at the Hotel Regent. This hotel will be the headquarters of the delegates. Forty ex-delegates attended the meeting, and Wm. C. Connor presided as chairman. A number of the chairmen of sub-committees reported and everything points towards a large and successful Convention.

The excursion steamer Charles Macalister has been chartered for June 11, and the visiting delegates will be given an outing down the Potomac. The opening exercises will be held June 12, at the Columbia Theater. The following committee of ladies was appointed to entertain during the Convention: Miss Nannie Daniel, president of the Women's Local; Elizabeth A. Towes, Laura A. Graddick, Alice V. Hagne, Bessie MacNamara, Caroline Brennan, and Margaret MacNamara.

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The Foundry has a lead of seven games at the close of the third series and the Reserves and Index are tied for second place, while the Cow Boys are still in fourth place. The Pressmen are still at the bottom, but are trying hard to pass the Aldines. The standing of the teams follows:

	G.	W.	L.	Pct.
Foundry	63	42	21	.667
Index	63	35	28	.556
Reserves	63	35	28	.556
Cow Boys	63	31	32	.492
Commercials	63	30	33	.476
Moroccos	64	29	34	.460
Aldines	33	28	35	.444
Pressmen	63	22	41	.349

The individual averages are as follows:

Name.	G.	T. P.	A.
Allen	27	4857	179
McCarthy	54	9568	177
Walsh	60	10564	176
Heinhold	12	2104	175
Glade	57	9826	172
Fitzwilliam	48	8252	171
Brown	63	10769	170
Addison	63	10708	169
Carey	63	10683	169
Atkins	57	9688	168
Williams	39	6574	168
Conroy	58	9741	167
Powers	57	9471	166
Crass	63	9007	166
Long	48	7985	166
Atkinson	33	5555	165
O'Connell	41	6799	165
Nevils	16	2632	164
Norbeck	61	10023	164
McFadyen	53	8644	163
Dohoney	43	6998	162
Spaeth	51	8293	162
Murray	45	7326	162
Niehus	51	8294	162
Wolf	24	3879	161
Herbeck	58	9007	160
Richards	49	7842	160
Clark	66	10620	160
Dwyer	57	9116	159
Benker	44	6972	158
Laframboise	53	8393	158
Beddow	21	3324	156
Splann	18	2810	156
Lednum	55	8608	156
Childress	36	5644	156
McAloon	43	6647	154
Herbert	37	5746	155
Hope	31	4744	153
Crump	22	3360	152
Nachman	39	5933	152
Johnson	33	5040	152
Holby	58	8821	152
Shawen	36	5496	152
Bechert	30	4558	152
Schinnerer	20	3022	151
Anderson	15	2267	151
Razey	15	2254	150
Spence	18	2701	150
Sturm	27	4030	149
Wuesthoff	30	4496	149
Sherman	30	4467	148
Hermann	16	2375	148
Hoffman	12	1775	147
Schulze	15	2206	147
Bellinger	21	3099	147
Arnold	15	2198	146
McDonough	6	878	146
Van Overmeer	8	1163	145
Briggs	6	870	145
Gaffney	11	1583	143
Mohler	12	1705	142
Nevins	11	1548	140

NOTES.

Fitzwilliam still has the hard luck to get in an occasional bad game.

Captain Conroy, of the Moroccos, is one of the best-natured men that roll the ball.

Heinhold, of the Cow Boys, formerly of the Grasshopper League, is more than making good.

Hermann is improving with every game and is sure to be among the leaders in another year.

"Jim" Jeffries, of the Proof Room, is practicing daily with the view of challenging the high individual at the end of the season for the championship.

Wuesthoff, formerly of the Cow Boys, has been transferred to the Moroccos. He has the best wishes of every one for success with his new associates.

Capt. Nachman, of the Aldines, says that he was gold bricked when he signed the captain, as he has not steam enough behind the balls to cause any damage.

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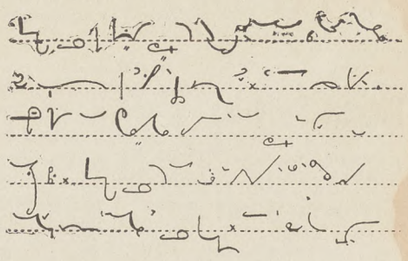
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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

One of the most serious propositions confronting the Navy Department is the question of engineer officers—whether or not the Government has been the loser or gainer by the abolishing of that class of officers. If you consult the line officers their argument will be to convince you that a theoretical engineer, one properly trained in theory at Annapolis, is the superior of the practical engineer. If you listen to the practical engineer the theoretical plan is dismissed at once. These are the many perplexing questions now engaging the attentions of Secretary Bonaparte.

What the taxpayer thinks does not seem to enter into the controversy, although he is the humble citizen who pays the freight. Notwithstanding he is the individual who supplies the cash to educate the future Admirals at Annapolis, yet he is a nonentity where such great questions are involved.

The common people, or to make it more readable, the people in common, are becoming interested in the matter whether or no the explosion on the *Bennington* in San Diego harbor would not have been avoided if there had been practical and experienced engineers in charge, instead of a young lieutenant, with only theoretical ideas of engineering.

Rear Admiral Rae, Chief of Engineering Bureau, aptly describes the situation when he says: "Owing to the absence of specific instructions, combined with powerful adverse influences within the Department, the young officers have done but little in acquiring engineering experience."

Possibly the evidence now being produced and brought to light in the trials of the midshipmen at Annapolis are the principal reasons that the time allotted for the study of engineering has been given to hazing.

Does it seem reasonable to suppose for a moment that the practical engineers, capable of not only constructing but running the ponderous machines necessary in propelling our great battleships, can be produced through book learning. The theoretical professor says, "Yes." The man who has served his apprenticeship says, "No."

When we have a few more accidents; a few more men killed; a few more courtmartials; a few more investigations by Congress—the taxpayer will awaken from his Rip Van Winkle sleep and the remedy will be applied.

There will be no more hazing at Annapolis or at West Point. Over each institution will be written: "Mene, Mene, Tekal, Upharsin."

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The following is a copy of a letter received at the International Leather Workers headquarters, and shows how we, as a free people, are drifting. It may be interesting to the readers of THE TRADES UNIONIST just at this time. It comes from an employee of the Rock Island Arsenal:

Another swing of the Colonel's ax and fifty more Arsenal harness makers are the victims. This reduces the shop to about one hundred men, and from present indications January 1 will see a much smaller number. The laying off of men seems unavoidable, and upon this mere fact the writer has no comments to make, but as to the manner of conducting the lay-off I have something to say. The names of all the men to be laid off were typewritten, and on one sheet of paper. On the same sheet was a typewritten statement which the foremen was required to read to each man, viz: "Owing to the limited amount of work to be done in this shop it is found necessary to reduce the force, and you are hereby notified that your services are no longer required. Your services have been satisfactory and only for the reasons stated are you laid off."

Now, on the face of this it seems to be al right and might have passed as such if one of the boys had not been a bit curious. In the shop office there are on file individual cards known as "efficiency cards," on which are kept a record of each workman as to speed, skill, character, shop conduct, etc. One man concluded he would take a look at his card before leaving. He did so and found written across the card: "P. S.—Laid off for holding out on work in month of October, 1905, for the purpose of increasing the piece price." Further investigations revealed the fact that quite a number of cards were similarly marked.

I do not know what kind of a decision a court would render in this case, but as to the intent and purpose it very much looks like a secret black list, which is contrary to the laws on the statute books of Illinois. There have been no charges preferred. The men have been tried, found guilty, and sentenced to be executed, all without the knowledge of the victim. The facts in the case are that there is not a harness factory in the United States where men work as hard as they do in the Government Arsenal Shop.

The American Federation of Labor convention at Pittsburg called the Rock Island Arsenal a sweat shop. Here the "piece system" is seen in all its hellishness. Men try to stitch one more lap per hour and after that is accomplished they try for still one more, and the result is that the Rock Island Arsenal shop has, in proportion to its size caused more ill health among the workmen than any other harness factory in the country. Speed, speed, is all you hear; hustle, hustle, every minute in the day; watched as if you were a convict for fear some one might take it easy. Civil Service is in operation here, but it is worse than a farce. Length of service cuts no figure in laying off men. You come and go at the will and pleasure of Army officers, who lord it over the employees. We seem to have no redress.

A few days ago a certain military officer called some of us onto the carpet for a trifling offense. When one of the boys ventured an explanation he was told to keep his mouth shut. This particular officer seems to have been the one to do the dirty work in the lay-off. While he is a graduate of West Point, he seems to have missed one of the principal studies, viz: common sense.

This is not a howl of a sore head. I am not discharged. I still hold my job. I have been told that this write-up will cost me my job. If it does it will at least prove, as I have stated, that Civil Service here is a farce.

In conclusion, let me suggest that the leather workers throughout the country see to it that their Congressmen get hold of copies of this correspondence. It can do no harm and possibly may do some good.

A. K. GIFFORD.

It seems to me that the writer of the above letter would have done better to advise his brother workers to "vote right" and elect members of State Legislatures and Congressmen from their own ranks if he wishes a remedy for the existing evil. When this is done and not until it is done will any good be accomplished.

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JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

A late TRADES UNIONIST contained three good texts. No. 1 was the "roll of honor" printed by Mr. Bloomer—the number of gentlemen following vocations other than printing who retain a membership in Columbia Union.

No. 2, the list of committees of the Ladies' Auxiliary, has to me a pathetic side. Here a number of ladies constitute the web and the woof, the part and the parcel, the Napoleonic reserve corps of the Union structure. The appearance of their names in this list stamps them as the ideal wife; they take an interest in matters of interest to their husbands. The more binding—many of them are not of to day or of yesterday; they are well along in the journey of life. To children, perhaps grand children, they have whispered the lullaby, and it goes without the saying that they too will follow in well-chosen paths.

No. 3 was Brother Donath's contribution to legislative history. Some day, when in mood reminiscent, I threaten to ask for a page of the TRADES UNIONIST to note some unique personal experiences of life in the lobby. For the present, credit should be given Mr. Charles Metzger, now I believe, a Washington correspondent, for securing the introduction, through Senator Cullom, of the first measure proposing the twenty per cent increase for night work. Prior to that time there had been three repeatedly successful assaults upon the citadel, each worth a chapter. The Cullom bill in substance finally found lodgment in a paragraph on one of the appropriation bills; all were "sanguine," and I retired on the last night of the session in the hope that success had crowned the efforts of the allied committees. Toward morning, however, I was awakened, and looking out the front window discovered a delegation from the Bill Force lined up on the curbstone. Sadly they related that in the copy of the bill just received at the office the blue pencil had been run through their paragraph, and Maud must "get in the game." No street curs, of course, that hour before the dawn. With hope's thermometer falling, I approached the Allison residence. Passing the servant, I found the Senator, just arrived from the Captol, about to retire. Instead of having the negro throw me out, the tenor of the remarks of the veteran chairman of the Appropriations Committee were calculated to raise my drooping spirits. "Still in conference," I was happy to learn. That meant five people must be interviewed in the next five hours—and they were all in bed. To shorten the story, the conferees again met at 9 o'clock, and when the bill was sent to the President for signature—thanks to some good friend among them, name unknown—snugly ensconced therein was our paragraph.

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Editors of THE TRADES UNIONIST:

I heartily agree with Mr. Ottinger's suggestion, two weeks ago, that some of the unwritten history of local printerdom should be chronicled before those who know whereof they might speak have passed away, and as in my younger days I was somewhat active in this jurisdiction, I think I will contribute to the columns of THE TRADES UNIONIST a few recollections of more or less general interest to the readers of this paper. I shall make no effort to take these in chronological order, but just jot down what happens to occur to me. My recollection of local events covers a space of quite three and forty years, and many, very many, of my contemporaries have fought the good fight and enjoy the rest eternal that is due all Union printers who have kept the faith. I cannot say whether my contributions will be many or only a few. At any rate, they may elicit other reminiscences from some of the old-timers who are yet among us, perhaps slow to step, but still stout of heart, and firm as Gibraltar in the cause of Unionism.

Often when I meet a Union printer from other parts of the country, I am told, "Oh, yes, I remember you as editor of the *Craftsman*," and my first article shall tell how the paper came to be born, and how I became its editor. The father of the *Craftsman* was "Billy" Briggs, the former Secretary-Treasurer of the I. T. U. One pleasant evening in the summer of 1888 he called at my house, and suggested that it was meet and proper for Union printers to have a national organ, and invited my co-operation. I agreed to join him with a limited number in putting up a modest capital for such an undertaking. Billy was a hustler in those days, and before many weeks had passed, the organization of the Craftsman Publishing Company was effected. We were ten in number, but I can recall but nine. The company comprised William Briggs, George M. Depue, William S. Waudby, George R. Gray, Frank B. Clarkson, W. O. Smith, a gentleman named Spencer, Thomas Simpson, myself, and a tenth man whom I am unable to recall. The capital stock was five hundred dollars, which was fully paid up, and there were no debts. I believe that's the regular form of report. The usual officers were chosen, double honors being conferred on me by being named as president and also as editor. George M. Depue was made business manager, and to his capacity and probity was largely due the surprising financial success of the paper while he and I held our respective positions. The company quickly boiled down to six, and even these held together nearly a year, the paper then passing into the hands of Ramsey & Bisbee, who published it for four or five years, during which, for a year or two, I aided Mr. Bisbee in the editorial department.

The *Craftsman* had a wide circulation throughout our International jurisdiction, and I firmly believe it prepared the way for that powerful adjunct to the executive management of the I. T. U., the *Official Journal*. It brought the membership into closer touch, and it helped the cause of Unionism in many ways. Mr. Briggs did the cause good service in calling the *Craftsman* into being. Of the men who formed the company only one has attained to national renown. That is William O. Smith, Member of Congress from Pennsylvania, and staunch Union printer as well, Mr. Briggs holds a responsible clerkship at the Government Printing Office. Mr. Depue is likewise a Departmental clerk, and that he falters not in the faith is attested by the fact that only last week he showed his interest in the eight-hour cause by sending his check for twenty-five dollars. I do not know what became of Spencer. Mr. Simpson came out of Judd & Detweiler's in support of the strike, and went back again under the triumphant Union banner. Both Mr. Gray and Mr. Clarkson are working at the business here in town. Mr. Waudby was recommended by the organized labor of the land for Commissioner of Labor here, but failed of appointment. As for myself, I have alternated between editorial work in Pennsylvania and Departmental employment here.

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday, President Adams in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen: M. Hellmuth, Ch. Bowman, George Bakersmith, Albert Ekert, and F. Buchert.

Columbia Typographical Union: Sam DeNedry, vice H. W. Templar, resigned.

Grocery Clerks: M. C. Graves, J. F. Smith, J. S. Reed, L. D. Marmaduke, and C. A. Pfau.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From American Bonding Co., inclosing bond for treasurer. Placed on file.

From Merchants and Mechanics Savings Bank, relative to transfer of stock to name of new treasurer of this body. Secretary directed to attend to same.

From Metal Polishers, No. 3, of Cleveland, Ohio, relative to grievance against the Standard Sewing Machine Co. Referred to special committee.

From Central Labor Council, Cincinnati, Ohio, calling attention to unfair attitude of Huenefeld Range Co., towards Iron Molders Union. Placed on file.

From J. A. Cable, Secretary-Treasurer of Coopers International Union, indorsing list of firms making union-made cooperage and urging that label barrels be given preference in the open market. Placed on file.

From Plumbers Union, No. 5, stating that at the last regular meeting they had indorsed attitude of the Central Labor Union in placing Kernan's and Academy of Music on unfair list, and placing a fine of $5 on any of its members visiting either house. Filed.

From Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, inclosing letter from Fred N. Young, secretary of the Granite Polishers and Laborers Union, No. 10,306, A. F. of L., relative to shipment of calcined plaster to Washington by the Red Beach Plaster Co., of Red Beach, Maine, who are unfair to organized labor. Placed on file.

Bills amounting to $19.10 were read and ordered paid.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Bakers: That a renewed effort would be made to reach a settlement with John Bender, baker, 2127 G street northwest.

Columbia Typographical Union: Delegates Ring and DeNedry told of the condition of the strike in the printing offices, and again requested delegates to aid in calling for the label on all printed matter.

Cigarmakers: That a fine of $5.00 would be imposed on any member of that organization found visiting the Academy of Music, Kernan's, or the Majestic.

Engineers, No. 99: Delegate Lorch called attention to Golden & Co. being on the unfair list.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen: That they would co-operate with Engineers in their fight with Golden & Co.

Machinists (Columbia Lodge): Delegate Beaumont reported that the management of Kernan's and Academy of Music had been notified that Columbia Lodge, representing 1500 members, would not patronize their houses until such time as the management of those theaters settle the grievance with Musicians Union. Also Dave Wolf, shoe dealer, 432 Seventh street northwest, had been notified that neither wives or daughters of members of Columbia Lodge would patronize his establishment until such time as he adjusted the grievance of Retail Clerks Union.

Retail Clerks: Called attention to Dave Wolf being unfair, and desired to thank Columbia Lodge of Machinists for their action in behalf of Retail Clerks.

Grocery Clerks: Called attention to condition of grocery clerks in this city, and asked for a special committee to assist them in securing a contract with the Grand Union Tea Co. The request was granted, and Delegates Ross, Roberts (Brewery Workers), and Roberts (Columbia Typographical Union) were appointed to visit the firm above named.

Sheet Metal Workers: Called attention to W. S. Jenks being on the unfair list.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Special Committee on new Department of Agriculture building failing to employ Union hodcarriers, made a report. The committee was continued.

Trustees reported on bond of the treasurer being only for $500, and on motion they were instructed to have same increased to $1,000.

Executive Committee reported that an answer had been filed to the injunction proceedings filed by the Master Horseshoers Association against members of the Central Labor Union, and that $50 had been paid as a retainer to attorney for the body. On motion a voucher for that amount was ordered drawn on the treasurer for the amount.

Delegate Spohn called attention to the action of the House of Representatives in voting to eliminate the operation of the eight-hour law on the Panama Canal, and moved the appointment of a committee condemning such action, said committee to report at the next meeting. The chair agpointed Delegates Spohn, Ring, and Colpoys on the committee.

The chair announced the appointment of Delegates McManus and Wingate to the Legislative Committee, and Delegate Wilcox to the Organization Committee, to fill vacancies occasioned by resignations from said committees.

Adjourned.

ASKS FOR AN INJUNCTION.

The Local Typothetæ Seeks the Court to Issue Restraining Order.

The expected request of the Typothetæ of Washington for an injunction was filed yesterday, which asks for every protection that can be given by an indulgent court. The injunction proceedings will be considered before Judge Stafford, of the District Supreme Court, the time for the hearing being arranged by counsel.

Ralston & Siddons have been retained to act for the Union, and a comparatively new firm of lawyers has the case for the Typothetæ.

The petition for an injunction is a long one and is accompanied by affidavits that may place some of the affiants before the bar of justice for perjury before the case is closed. There can be no doubt that the Typothetæ has at last considered it necessary to play its last card in asking for the injunction. In the body of the petition it claims its employees are being intimidated and cites a case of assault as reason for the issuing of the injunction.

Chairman Parsons, of the Committee, is still determined in the fight, and has submitted a statement contrasting the men on each side of the firing line—the one, a citizen and long resident of the city, and the other a migratory specimen of manhood used as a tool to break the strike—an alien to the city, whose presence is undesirable as a citizen.

The strikers are maintaining a solid front and will hold out till the end.

DEDICATED TO THE TYPOTHETÆ.

Own up, that you are on the gloomy line,
Get a transfer.
Own up, you're inclined to fret and pine,
Get a transfer.
Get off the track of doubt and gloom,
Get on the eight-hour train, there's room,
Get a transfer.

Own up, you are on the worry train,
Get a transfer.
Why do you stay there and complain,
Get a transfer.
The eight-hour train is passing through,
And there is lots of room for you,
Get a transfer.

Own up, you are on the backward track,
Get a transfer.
Just take the eight-hour special back,
Get a transfer.
Now is the time, not bye-and-bye,
Get a transfer.
Or, "Too late, too late," will be the cry,
To get a transfer.

Own up, your work is not up-to-date,
Get a transfer.
Own up, your printing won't pay the freight,
Get a transfer.
Act like Union men should act,
Use common sense with a little tact.
Get a transfer.

—TIM TICKLE.

LOOKING FOR A STRIKE BREAKER.

AFTER-DINNER DILATIONS.

It does not matter so much if the First Division correspondent chooses to change his pen name so long as he doesn't change his style, which would be better to let stand.

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The Typothetæ should at once disabuse themselves of the idea that printers are short on that element known as sticktoitiveness. "Stick" is the printer's long suit.

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According to the Commissioner's report, death claimed 2,010 pensioners of the Civil War during last December. This will be encouraging news to those who consider the old vets as somewhat in the way and grow impatient when the death rate shows no perceptible increase.

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We get the impression somehow that the courts of Chicago are more or less on the bias, and that they are not doing by us as they might or perhaps would were it not that some cases which come before them are as good as settled before the evidence is all in, and this is one of the reasons why there is more or less trouble in Chicago.

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The Chinese Commission found an "open door" and cordial welcome on their visit to Uncle Sam's big printery last Tuesday, when they made a thorough tour of the premises. They took their departure during lunch hour, which proved an attractive feature and abruptly terminated a session of the Rumor Committee then doing business on the curb.

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The rumor is abroad that Andy Carnegie contemplates a raid on the reading public, in which he will explain how he happened to embark in the library business. Can it be possible that we are to be asked to forget his first statement that he was afraid to die rich and took this means to reduce his sinking weight? That seemed a very plausible story—as first stories go.

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I take the liberty to reproduce the following verse, by Mr. Bloomer, which appeared in THE TRADES UNIONIST under date of October 24, 1902. It has the merit of both brevity and compass, and is good for not only these times but for all time. Here it is:

One persistent, sorrowful thought
Comes into my soul's communion:
The dirtiest, scabbiest, rattiest rat
Is the rat within the Union.

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That man Hudson, of 'York State, who played a snide game on some overcredulous people of the "Spess," a couple of years ago, by advertising to furnish choice apples at $1.50 per barrel, delivered, but who responded not when the money was forwarded, has been debarred from practice and sentenced to a life of meditative seclusion for one year. The information was received last week by John Sturgis, who conducted the apple correspondence at this end and who was a witness at the trial which resulted in the present discomfiture of Mr. Hudson.

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The wisdom in the selection of those who compose the local strike committee has been demonstrated by the magnificent generalship displayed since the inception of the eight-hour contest. Expressions of confidence in the ability and wisdom of these men in handling the situation are unstinted and universal, and the determination of the membership to supply the sinews of war and to render the committee every assistance possible is growing as the contest deepens. After this fight is over and rewards to individual members of the committee are considered it is likely that Mr. Parsons, as chairman, will, by unanimous consent, be offered the biggest chair in the Temple, which, aside from gold watches and diamonds, is about the best thing the membership of 101 has to give out.

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Time and experience have demonstrated that real trades unionism embraces that boundless spirit of fraternalism which becomes a source of inspiration to the individual in promoting those conditions which result in the greatest good to the greatest number. If this life-giving element is lessened or impaired by personal ambition or intrigue the effect will be shown by a spirit of unrest, resulting in indifference, disintegration, and decay, so that finally when a great crisis arises and it is necessary to appeal to the masses in support of a just cause, the latent element must first be aroused and overcome—a new confidence inspired to meet emergencies — which cannot be successfully accomplished except through a well-disciplined force imbued with the loftiest motives in which the individual is but a unit and the sacrifice, however great, is grandly made for the good of all. The greatest military leaders and the wisest men of all times have kept in mind their obligation to the rank and file and the masses, who compose the fighting strength and who yield ready obedience to appeals which call for heroic sacrifice in humanity's cause. The cultivation of a spirit of fraternalism and its exemplification by word and deed the full three hundred and sixty five days of the year will assure an army of alert and eager defenders, ready at all times to advance to a more commanding position. This is the spirit which at present seems to actuate the membership of the International Typographical Union and that more numerous body, the American Federation of Labor, in this the most significant industrial battle of modern times.

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LEAVES FROM THE PAST.

Between us three, meaning the compositor, proof reader and the writer, we started the *Craftsman* last week five years after it was born, and in accordance with time-honored custom, I will lay it on the compositor. October 20, 1883, was the gallant little paper's natal day, and an eventful day in the history of Columbia Union did it prove. For on its evening, the third Saturday in the month being the regular time for the Union meetings, that indomitable Union printer, Thomas D. Hurdle, threw down the gauntlet to the gentleman who had come out of the West, with a full complement of non-Union hands, and begun the publication of a morning paper in the Capital City. Fired by the eloquence of dear old Tom, frail in body, but a lion in determination, the Union entered on a fight so comprehensive that it swept all before it in the space of five months, gained the office, won a prestige that lives today, and opened to Union printers an office than which no squarer does business in all the land. The plan of campaign embraced the creation of a general committee, composed of delegates from every labor organization in the District, black as well as white. This committee met periodically, weekly I think, and progress in the good work was carefully noted as the weeks sped by. It was war sure enough, and doubtless the sort of war alluded to by General Sherman. Friends of Organized Labor were made to see where they could give proof of their affection, and those who were not friends exactly, but who had affection for our money, were being taught in a very few lessons that the sure and infallible way to fail in getting it was to advertise in the paper that had dared the Union printers' wrath. Oh, it was a lovely fight.

This action on the part of the Union was a prompt reminder to the *Craftsman* people to become busy, and the hint was taken without delay. I will be frank enough to admit that the opportunity to take hold of a very live issue was most welcome to me. It brought the *Craftsman* in immediate touch not only with the craft, but with all the organized toilers of the District of Columbia. And it did more than that, for it brought the editor and the business manager into rather close touch with that part of our judicial outfit known as the Criminal Court. In the third issue of the paper, on November 3, 1883, appeared an article that the District Attorney, the late Col. Corkhill, construed to be libellous, and being an intimate friend of the employer of rats whom we were fighting, the grand jury was implored to bring in an indictment against the editor and likewise the business manager of the *Craftsman* for criminal libel. It was a master stroke. At least Corkhill and his protege thought it was. To place Donath and Depue in jail, as felons, would strike everlasting terror into the hearts of all Union printers, and the war against the "rat arbor" would peter out at once. However, the Union then, as now, was composed of men with stout hearts as well as mighty clear heads. A special meeting was at once convened, ringing speeches were made, and the motion of Samuel H. Haldeman, that the entire resources of the Union be pledged to our defense, was unanimously carried. Walter D. Davidge and Jackson H. Ralston were retained as our counsel, and the two defendants, put on bail for court, felt reasonably serene, confident that their cause was the cause of all Union workmen in Washington, and that their defenders were the best to be retained; the senior lawyer standing at the head of the Washington bar, the junior the devoted friend of at least one of his clients.

Well, we were in for it after that. Hot shot was poured into our friend the enemy week after week, and he certainly squirmed like a hen on a hot griddle. Meanwhile the war against his paper went merrily on. Subscriptions dropped like leaves in November. Advertisements shrank like snow in front of a bonfire. Important advertisers sent for me and asked whether I would not, in justice to them, make known the fact that, while their announcements still appeared in the offensive journal, it was only in compliance with contracts that would soon expire, and would not be renewed unless peace had been made with Union Labor. Of course, there could be but one end to the battle that was so one-sided. It became a question with the man who hitherto had ever ridden roughshod over his employes, whether he would employ Union workmen or whether he would suspend publication. Naturally he concluded to swallow his pride and surrender. He requested Mr. Hurdle, who was the chairman of the general committee, to convene the latter and grant him an audience. It was done, he acknowledged defeat, made peace with the Union, pledged the withdrawal of the proceedings against Mr. Depue and myself, and "peace reigned o'er the late combatants." Certainly this was a strenuous infancy for the baby *Craftsman*.

AUGUST DONATH.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

The Naval Gun Factory Band has been secured, and will lead the parade in Alexandria on February 22, being the celebration of Washington's birthday.

Robert Pitts, a machinist in the E. G. C. Shop, met with a painful accident on Saturday. In stepping down from his machine his foot came in contact with an oil can. The spout of the can penetrated his foot to the depth of nearly two inches. While painful, it is not considered dangerous.

Lieut.-Commander A. Rust has been ordered to the Navy Yard for duty, in charge of the Seamen Gunner Class, now stationed in the Yard, during a course of instruction in gun and gun carriage mechanism. Lieut. F. T. Evans, who has had charge of the class, will be given other duties.

The apprentices of the Naval Gun Factory gave their annual ball in the lodge dance hall in the Yard on Friday evening last. The hall was crowded with the boys and their sweethearts. The officers of the Yard and supervising force were present and joined with the future gunbuilders in making the occasion one of enjoyment to all present.

I regret to announce that Bro. E. L. Tucker, of Columbia Lodge, and member of the General Executive Board, is confined to his bed suffering with a broken ankle. The accident was caused by falling off an Arsenal car. It is to be hoped that he will soon recover, as he is one of the most sociable boys in the lodge room.

I am informed that Wm. G. Reed, chief electrician of the Yard, will shortly sever his connection with the Government service to accept another position with a Western syndicate. Mr. Reed's salary under the Government is $1,400 per annum. When he assumes his new position it will be under a contract of $5,000 per annum for one year; $6,000 for the two following years, and after that $7,000. The Government loses a valuable man.

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Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. of M., at its regular meeting Wednesday evening, unanimously passed the following resolutions:

That until the proprietors of Kernan's and the Academy of Music place said theaters on the fair list, by settling their grievances with the Musician's Union, the members of Columbia Lodge of Machinists, numbering more than fourteen hundred members, will refrain from patronizing said theaters, and that the Secretary be instructed to so notify Mr. Kernan.

That Columbia Lodge of Machinists extends not only its moral support, but also financial aid to Typographical Union, No. 101, to secure their demand for the shorter workday.

That the membership of Columbia Lodge of Machinists, assisted by their wives, will refrain from purchasing shoes from David Wolf until he recognizes the Retail Clerks' Union, and that the Secretary be instructed to so notify Mr. Wolf.

TIM TICKLE.

Personal Mention.

James B. Maddigan, of Chicago, a well known member of Typographical Union No. 16, and an ex-delegate from No. 16 to the recent Cincinnati convention, and employed on the Chicago *News*, spent Sunday in this city. A number of members of the Union here are curious to know Mr. Maddigan's mission in the East, in view of the fact that he takes an active interest in I. T. U. elections.

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AT LAST accounts Morocco's administrative entity was on straight.

BUT, then, JOHN MACINTYRE doesn't care to have anything to do between strikes.

COLONEL MANN would shuck out a big wad himself just now to avoid his write-ups.

IT IS claimed that POULTNEY BIGELOW didn't see the dirt fly on the Isthmus of Panama because his visit was a flying one.

CASTRO was spoiling for a fight, and France seems to have come to the conclusion that the best thing she can do is to let him spoil.

THE Washington *Post* prints several columns of matter daily under the head, "It Happened in New York." Strange to relate it reads very much as though it might have happened in any of the outlying provinces.

The Unionist as a Citizen.

A feature of trade unionism which deserves especial attention is its influence upon the character of the workingman. It must be confessed that the material from which labor organizations are licked into shape is sometimes desperately raw. Yet ultimately the discipline by which they are held together works a noticeable change. The hard fisted, obstreperous citizen soon learns to take pride in the self-control which makes him a factor, and an important one, in the work of human development. The excess of animal spirits under whose influence he may sometimes have "spent his days in riot most uncouth and vexed with mirth the drowsy ear of night" is to a greater or less extent held in subjection and now answers to the demands of his new-found responsibility. He learns to tolerate the opinions of others, and is not quite so ready to appeal to brute force in the settlement of unsettled questions. As a member of an organization which is a recognized power in the community, this irresponsible clod gets rid of the pitiable and futile arrogance of undisciplined toil and begins to assume the thoughtful bearing of useful citizenship.

To be sure this precious civic growth may not take place in a week or a year. Yet, as in the case of the coal miners of the United States, it is possible for it to develop rapidly enough to astonish doctrinaires and statesmen. And, although for various reasons it may be retarded for a time, its future spread and increase in strength is as certain as the movement of the stars in their courses. Men of thought recognize this fact and are beginning to realize that trade unionism is one of the essentials of human transition to better things. Labor organizations, it is true, are subject to the imperfections and limitations as well as the slips and jolts of all human institutions. But there is inspiration and cause for hopefulness in the fact that the workingman has found therein an instrumentality, however crude, with which to work out his own salvation. No reasonable man who has the welfare of society at heart would be willing to exchange the unionist as a citizen for the irresponsible, undisciplined, and dangerous toiler of the past.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

The San Francisco *Call* of Sunday, January 21—which, by the way, is a magnificent metropolitan paper, the equal of any in the United States—devoted an entire page to President George A. Tracy, with a mammoth portrait that is a "speaking likeness." The article is by Helen Dare, and contains an interview with Mr. Tracy on the eight-hour contest, with a review of the successful campaign in San Francisco and a brief epitome of the career of Mr. Tracy. It was in this fight that he, as a member of the committee that had the Union's interests in charge during the battle, was brought to the attention of the members as an unusually strong, forceful, capable man, though he had before served as a member of the executive committee. In recognition of his ability he was made president of the Allied Printing Trades Council, composed of representatives of thirteen trades, and on the resignation of President William J. French, on December 31, he was elected president of San Francisco Typographical Union, after a membership in that union of but little if any over two years. Mr. Tracy's career in this city was of too pronounced a character and his influence on Columbia Union too potent to have been forgotten. His first experience here was in the composing room of the old *National Republican* about 1881, when but a mere boy. After an absence of three or four years, he returned and worked awhile in the G. P. O., and subsequently became assistant foreman of the *Post*. On the incoming of Mr. Benedict's second administration he was made foreman of the *Congressional Record*, losing which by a change of administration, he worked in several capacities in the office until shortly before he went to the Philippines, since which his history is a part of San Francisco Union's. In 1888 he was one of our delegates to the Kansas City Convention of the I. T. U. and in 1894 and 1895 he was president of Columbia Union. He was later again a formidable candidate for delegate to the I. T. U., but was defeated as the result of a determined personal fight against him. A scene in the union when an attempt was made to connect him with and expose him as a member of the "Wahnetas," in which he turned the tables on his enemies and showed them to be members of a similar society, was intensely dramatic and showed his power over men. As a man he is well equipped with warm friends and active enemies here, as such a strong, forceful man generally is. As a foreman he was universally liked, and when he "went down the line," and announced that "there is a job in the shop" there was not a man under him who would not strain every muscle. I shall watch his further career in San Francisco with much interest, for I do not believe he has had all the honors that were in store for him.

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The Leesburg (Fla.) *Commercial*, edited by Jos. H. C. Pratt, a brother of our William A. Pratt, of the War Department Branch, G. P. O., had a splendid editorial in indorsement of the eight-hour strike in its issue of January 19, winding up: "We wish the printers success."

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In a letter to the *Post* last Saturday Mr. Charles T. Johnson, Jr., gives his experience with the Typothetæ of this city in asking for estimates on a job of work, the estimate of each succeeding bidder being a little higher than that of the last one (the regular practice of the Typothetæ to avoid competition and to guarantee that the first bidder shall get the job), in which he asks:

> And furthermore, if the statements which I have made are true, is not the character of the Typothetæ that of a bold and bald-faced trust, from which the public should be protected as vigorously as from any other of that tribe which has within its power the means by which to arbitrarily hold it up for the satisfaction of a man whose capacity is largely determined by the degree of helplessness of its victims?

The Typothetæ, which has often denounced the Typographical Union as a trust—a trick which it learned from the pickpocket who cries, "Stop thief!"—is thus caught red-handed in its nefarious practices and exposed to the public gaze.

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John M. ("Circus") McGowan, of Chicago, recently sent me copies of the Chicago *American* and *Examiner*, the former with a cartoon of and the latter containing an editorial scorching that corporation tool, Judge Holdom, on the occasion of his being turned down for president of the Union League of Chicago. When a judge becomes such a pliant tool as to earn the contempt of those in whose interest he smears the ermine he is permitted to wear he indeed presents a pitiful picture. No one has any respect for a contemptible pettifogging knave—least of all those who use him.

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From a lady friend of THE TRADES UNIONIST, and from William Tipton Talbott, whose familiarity with the poets is well known, the information comes that the verse denouncing treachery quoted last week, copied from the *Miners' Magazine*, of Denver, is by Robert Browning, written about 1843. It fits our modern traitors quite as well as those of a former day.

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Columbia Typographical Union now has the Typothetae of this city so badly beaten that that cowardly weapon of the defeated—the injunction—is appealed to. From the beginning the Typothetae has represented in its newspaper interviews that it had enough non-union men to conduct its business, when, as a matter of fact, it never had one-tenth enough—a weakness which its present move admits—and the spectacle of proprietors working in each other's offices to get out hurried work has been time and again presented. The court is to be asked to enjoin members of Columbia Union from "interfering with the Typothetae men's business" by appealing to the manhood of those who are thwarting the just demands of the Union to cease from doing so. Unable to find any unlawful acts committed by union men, the court is asked to declare that unlawful which has ever been lawful—the act of speaking to a man in the street and endeavoring to show him his own true interests. The court is also asked to enjoin boycotting the Typothetae firms, when such is the sympathy of this eight-hour community that no declared boycott is necessary. The Typothetae has put itself beyond the pale of public sympathy. Its only relief could come from an injunction compelling business men to patronize its members and compelling the members of Columbia Union to work for them. I cannot believe that any court in the District of Columbia will even try to help such a justly defeated cause, and it could not if it would, against a righteous public sentiment.

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From the Ben Franklin Company, 232 Irving avenue, Chicago, I have received "Kitchen French," a neat little pocket-size book (price 25 cents), containing all the kitchen terms, translated both ways. It is invaluable in printing bills of fare as well as in preparing them.

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"If Smith's a rat, then I'm a rat!"
That was his cry as he essayed
To save the dues the honest paid—
A plan evolved by brain of gnat.

But Shelby never was a rat,
As this man is in thought and act
(Though many think he's only "cracked")—
Smith took his lean and took his fat.

In union matters never right,
He skins his friends with flimflam games
(Two kinds of crimes with diff'rent names)—
This ratty, fakey, fool McSnoot.

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A banquet by the *Record* men is in contemplation for some Sunday in the near future, I am told, with plates at something like a dollar. These affairs are usually very delightful, but in trying to please the "cheap skates" the price is almost invariably made too low to enable the caterer to do justice to such an occasion. No one would think of getting off for a dollar in spending "an evening with the boys," where liquid refreshments and a bite to eat were features, but a suggestion of less than half what one would ordinarily spend in this way as a lump sum for a real "set out," with orderly speech and song, causes the gooseflesh to rise and the feet to chill in a most disappointing way. The ordinary man will put his food crib against the bar and feed in his stuff at 30 or 40 cents a throw until he has spent the price of a day's work without crinkling a hair, when the thought of lumping half as much for a real bout of food and sup will cause a syncope. The man who tries to see "real life" for half price never does; it's mock turtle at the best.

I don't know whether the promoters of this affair will regard this as much of an "ad.," but I don't believe any of them will doubt my sincerity.

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I am told that my esteemed contemporary, W. F. Roberts, Inc., gets frantic sometimes during the industrial warfare now being waged. One day last week he rushed up to a policeman and demanded that he arrest a small party of men on the opposite side of the street. "Why, they are peaceable citizens, the same as you are," said the officer; "I can't arrest them when they are committing no offense;" and Roberts, Inc., returned to his lonely office. A few minutes later his only compositor left the office for the day, and, looking out of the window, he saw one of the men he had complained against in conversation with his employee. Again he rushed out, and, dragging the policeman along with him, demanded that he arrest the offender. "Why, I know this man," said the accused; "he's a friend of mine and I have a right to speak to him in the street." "Certainly, he has," said the officer, and then he turned to Roberts, Inc. "I think you get yourself unduly excited, Mr. Roberts," he said; "go back to your office and calm yourself. If there is any real occasion for my services I will be on hand."

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An innocent paragraph last week regarding the candidacy of Herbert W. Cooke, of Boston, for trustee of the Home, and Joe Dirks, of St. Louis, for president of the I. T. U., brought me letters from both of these gentlemen, showing how widely THE TRADES UNIONIST is read. Mr. Cooke takes a little mild well-bred Bostonian umbrage because of my connecting his candidacy with a certain gazelle-eyed association that couldn't harm or help a flea, in my usual joyous, prattling style, which enables me to take pleasure in withdrawing that allusion. If there is any reason whatever why Mr. Cooke should not be elected a trustee, it is his inability to cope with the subtleties of my jokes, this being the second I have fed him with unsatisfactory results. The inmates of the Home dote on jokes, and if a trustee goes among them with an incapacity in that respect it will be a great damper on their joyous lives. Otherwise I believe Mr. Cooke would be a great success as a trustee.

Mr. Dirks caught me laboring under a wrong impression—that he is a candidate for president of the I. T. U., whereas it is the presidency of St. Louis Union that is the goal of his ambition, in which I wish him success. Mr. Dirks jokes naturally and easily himself, and so he can understand my efforts. All through my life I have been compelled to suffer the pains and penalties incident to a joker's career, but I just can't help it; the jokes will bubble out.

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If the man who, in violation of his obligation, refuses to obey the laws of the union feels as miserable, forlorn, desolate, and self-convicted as he looks, he is saving the pittance that the union asks at a fearful sacrifice.

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To-morrow (Friday), at 8 p. m., the Capital Social Science Club, of which William Tipton Talbott is secretary, will hold a meeting at the Public Library (east study, second floor). Dr. Max West, of the Bureau of Corporations, Department of Commerce and Labor, will read a paper on "Municipal Franchises," to be followed by a discussion. The club has no propaganda—no fads—but its members enjoy themselves and give the audience a treat by telling individually how they think the world ought to be run, and those who have ideas (or think they have) are welcomed and made much of. Good listeners are also desirable.

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It is contemplated, I am told, to hold a Union-Label Carnival here in September, at which will be exhibited all goods bearing the union label, ranging from pianos to toothpicks. The union label is one of our most potent weapons, and will be more so when all are educated up to a proper appreciation of it.

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Judge Holdom, of Chicago, fined Edwin R. Wright, president of Chicago Union, $100 and thirty days in jail; Edward Bessette, $50 and thirty days in jail, and the union itself $1,000, last Monday, for alleged violation of an injunction issued by him against interference with the Typothetæ's rats. The Judge said: "If this court cannot be upheld, then government is a fraud and a sham." When a judge so lowers the majesty of the law as to issue whatever injunctions may be regarded as necessary to break a strike, he himself is the greatest contributor to bringing government into contempt.

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Charles A. George, of the *Record* room, has an interesting souvenir, being the Constitution, By Laws, Rules of Order, and Scale of Prices of the Baltimore Typographical Society, which was instituted November 26, 1831, and continued under that name until May, 1857, when it united with the National Typographical Union and became Baltimore Typographical Union, No. 12. In the list of 26 charter members I find the name of James D. Chedal, whom many will remember as a compositor in the G. P. O. as late as the seventies, and Mr. George tells me that James Young, another charter member, is still living. The little book, now showing the ravages of time, was the property of George Washington George, the father of the present owner, who was a member of the society.

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If the Typothetæ should defeat us in the present strike—which it will never do until it can import strike breakers from Mars—the contest has already cost its members more than yielding would cost in the next ten years. But I don't believe that even an honest Teapotter would tell you that they have the remotest hope of winning.

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Recently the Wisconsin Academy met the Madison (Wis.) High School in public debate of the question, "*Resolved*, That unions are justified in their closed shop policy, by 'closed shop' being meant a shop which is closed against non-union men by a formal agreement between the unions and the employer." The affirmative, taken by the academy, was given the decision unanimously by a sealed ballot. While joint discussions of this character are always decided on the arguments adduced by the disputants, regardless of the merits of the question, the significance lies in the fact that all the arguments are against the "open shop." It will be remembered that in a similar debate in Georgetown University some months ago, a resume of which was printed in THE TRADES UNIONIST, the advocates of the "closed shop" (union shop) received the verdict. What possible chance would the affirmative side on the question "*Resolved*, That human slavery should be re-established in the United States" have of getting the decision, even if their opponents sat still and did not say a word? The reason is that there are no arguments in favor of the re-establishment of slavery, as there are none in favor of the "open shop."

A. F. BLOOMER.

Fast Typesetting by Hand.

Since the advent of the "Merg" there have been a great many imaginary records floating in the torrid atmosphere. During the year 1874 there was considerable rivalry among the typos in Washington as to who could set the most type. To settle the question a typesetting tournament was arranged which was participated in by some of the "swifts."

Some who took part in that contest are living witnesses to the fact, and, perhaps, could give a better account of the event than is here given. After the contest the typos went to the Imperial Hotel to a banquet, where the prizes were distributed to the winners. Below will be found the record:

	No. Ems.
FIRST CLASS—NONPAREIL. TIME, 3 HOURS.	
Spencer N. Bennerman, *Chronicle*	5,070
Richard A. McLean, *Star*	4,998
W. W. McCollum, *Republican*	4,725
J. M. Richards	4,717
F. C. O'Neill	4,644
R. L. Bayne	4,629
H. M. Foltz	4,378
J. E. Wolfe	4,212
SECOND CLASS. TIME, 1½ HOURS.	
W. W. Maloney, *Star*	2,278
F. A. McGill, *Republican*	2,251
H. W. Hartman, *Sunday Herald*	2,127
LONG PRIMER CLASS.	
J. R. McBride, G. P. O.	2,178
G. J. S. Hunnicutt, G. P. O.	2,112
H. C. Tarleton, G. P. O.	2,013

Bennerman actually set 5,095 ems, but 25 ems was thrown out for "outs." McLean set 5,048 ems and had 50 ems thrown out for same cause.

Bennerman received a solid gold composing stick, full newspaper size McLean received a solid silver stick, full size.

In 1876 George Arensburg set 2,064 ems minion in one hour.

Joseph W. McCann, in a private trial, set 2,068 ems minion in one hour.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Fourth Division.

M. C. Foss is on the sick list.

Frank Hoover has been transferred to the *Gazette*.

Sam Taylor is in the Proof Room temporarily—cut "fin".

V. F. Howard has been transferred to the Day Proof Room.

Bill Simons, W. J. Lee, and J. E. Irvin have steady "sits" on the Surgeon-General's Catalogue.

The boys in this Division have found out that "fol. lit." is not "fol. lit." when it comes to court style.

Quite a number of the members of this chapel were out to hear President Lynch. They seemed well pleased with what they heard.

W. M. Hamilton has the heartfelt sympathy of his many friends in the G. P. O. in the death of his mother, which occurred in Madison, Ind.

From the amount of questions asked us, "When are you going to move?" one would think that we had no right on the same floor with the Lanstons. But we haven't moved yet, and, what is more, I don't think there are many people who can answer the question correctly.

Unfortunately the right man has not been "ostracised". Certainly it is his turn, or should be, as he was the first to kick over the traces. He is not in the Fourth Division, however. There is not even a "growler" in this room. They're perfectly satisfied that everything is O. K.

I understand that one of the eight-hour committee who has been "excused" since the strike started was ordered to report to work at once. While to a certain extent this hampers the committee, yet I think that "Spadge" Parsons will be equal to the emergency.

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A lady agent is in this city soliciting subscriptions for a very valuable set of books, the object of which is to aid children in the pursuit of their studies. They are reference books of considerable worth and such as are desired by a great many parents. The lady agent called on the writer and was informed that if the publishers were having their printing done in eight-hour shops his signature would be gladly given to the contract; if not, then he would have to refuse to buy.

I wrote to Secretary Bramwood and inquired as to the standing of the Werner Printing Company, Akron, Ohio, the printers of the books above mentioned. In reply he stated that the concern had been union, but were at present fighting the eight-hour proposition and contending for the "open shop." I did not buy the books.

I turned Bramwood's letter over to the agent and advised her to write to headquarters and inform them that she was losing sales by Werner Printing Company being unfair.

I hope none of our members have bought these books, as we will not win by giving our money to both of the combatants.

SANS NOM.

Oysters in every style at R. A. Driscoll's, North Capitol and G street. Overholt whisky, 10c.

Sixth Division.

Eugene Smith, of the *Record* force, has resigned. Mr. Smith is one of the best-known and most popular printers in the G. P. O., and wherever the future may find him the best wishes of his many G. P. O. friends will be with him.

Just to prove that he was able to punch-tuate properly, one of the newly made proofreaders marked a couple of commas over the eye of a printer who made the remark in a public place that the said proofreader was to ignorant too read proof.

Sam Taylor, a well known member of the Fourth Division Chapel, has been detailed to the Proof Room on account of injuries to his hand which render typesetting impossible. While handling milk bottles Mr. Taylor was unfortunate enough to receive the cuts which caused the trouble. From this little incident the lesson is drawn that only experienced hands should handle milk bottles.

Wm. Ashley, of the "Y," has called me down for crediting to Abram Lincoln the quotation recently used that you "could fool all the people part of the time," etc., and claiming that that quotation should have been credited to Phineas T. Barnum. I am willing to stand corrected. It was merely hearsay evidence on my part, and I have nothing to back up the statement, while Mr. Ashley, surrounded by such sources of authority as Judge Underwood, Dave Smith, Charley Danenhower, Bill Lewis, and other "Y" dignitaries, stands ready at any moment to wash the statement away from the skirts of the immortal Abe and lay it at the door of the late greatest showman on earth—P. T. Barnnm.

The Chinese High Commission at present in this country investigating American conditions visited the G. P. O. on Tuesday and inspected the world's biggest printery from cellar to garret. Apparently these Chinese dignitaries were pretty well pleased with everything they saw. One fellow with a little red top-knot on his cap and a blouse of several colors looked at the metal saw in a manner which indicated to me that he had received a new inspiration for mechanical device for removing the heads of his subjects who gain the displeasure of his Imperial Highness. The visit to the Sixth Division was a hurried one, but the extreme high jog-lots seemed to note everything. Glancing in the direction of "Pard" Julian one of them said something which I afterward interpreted to mean—"him vlelly flat man; him eatee mluch chop suey." Anyhow we are all glad they visited us.

James Maddigan, foreman of the Chicago Daily *News*, stopped over a few hours in Washington last week while enroute to the Windy City from Boston. While in Washington he was the guest of his personal friend, James M. Weaver, of this Division. Just what to do to give his friend a lasting impression of the Capital City put Mr. Weaver's thinking apparatus to working overtime. To take him to the local abattoir would never do, for like most citizens ot Chicago, Mr. Maddigan can tell by instinct whether or not a porker is chopped up in the latest fashion. So James tried another scheme. He made Maddigan happy by the stomach route. Now Mr. Maddigan had never before eaten steamed oysters washed down by Potomac water, and after the first throw it was all off with the sight-seeing trip, for the Chicago foreman refused to leave the oyster house. When he left for the West he was as full of oysters as he was praise for the Nation,s Capital. Mr. Maddigan is a Chicago union politician of no small magnitude, and his presence in Washington gave rise to political rumors. However, Mr. Weaver says it was merely a personal visit.

Since the publication last week of an item stating that a number of appointments to the Proof Room had been made because of efficient records, I have been asked repeatedly if there was any truth in the story or if I was merely wind-jamming. When told that such was the reason given by the Public Printer when he gave the newly made proof readers their promotions, the inquirer generally gives a little sling of his shoulder and a retort that they are not the only people with efficient records. Just why a statement of this kind by the Powers that Be should cause any under commotion is hard to understand. It certainly doesn't imply the fact that all employes holding down preferred situations were placed there through political influence; neither is the implication given that those who have not yet received promotion remain at the case, or the bench, or any other place because of inefficiency. No body should envy the newly made proof readers their positions. Take the whole lot, and you will find them to be a bright, brainy set of fellows, and while it is true that among the lot one or two maybe more may be found who would flirt with a glass of beer on a hot summer day, it doesn't follow that his brain is not as clear, or that he is behind the total abstainers in efficiency in the slightest degree.

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Bindery Notes.

Al Taylor is the best bowler in the League.

The piece workers are not making much these days.

President Feeney visited all the branch offices last week.

Wm. A. Miller has returned from a vacation which he spent out West.

Jack Hambly, one time Adonis of the Bindery, is laid up with a bad kneecap.

Pop Reese is making good headway learning marbling. He says it is easy.

The bowling teams of the Bindery are making some remarkable good scores.

Strudley has quit baseball for good. He is spending his spare time in perfecting a summer bowling game.

Dr. Gunning has opened up his office on North Capitol street and we wish him success. Another bookbinder gone right.

William S. Adams is getting a new set of tires on his wheels. These are the wheels he carried down North Capitol street.

The real estate from Sterling, Va., that Francis Ryder carries in on his boots every morning would make a horse lame.

It seems to be the object of some newspaper man to write up the G. P. O. Bindery every week in a morning paper and tell untruths.

Herb. Wassom has covered all the suburban towns and is the authority on poultry farms. Just say chicken and see Herb. look around.

Assistant Foreman Connor was asked by a friend if he had any stock in the Merg. "No," he quickly replied, "but I am a strapholder on the Suburban line."

It is reported that Thomas Gaffney has given his tailor an order for a full-dress suit and it will be but a short time until he will give his last bachelor dinner.

Some little excitement occurred in the Bindery during the week caused by the absence of a well-known ex-delegate who had taken an afternoon off and in the meantime several anxious callers came around seeking him. On investigation it developed that he had been collecting for the Convention glad-hand fund.

The men in the Blank Room don't know where they are working any more. There have been so many shifts some of them keep memorandum books to keep track of themselves.

The boys in the Folding Room who have invested in the gold mine of Nevada are very well satisfied with the returns so far, and have our old friend Bill Haslett to thank for their lucky investment.

The Handicap Bowling League gave its first banquet last Saturday evening, the winning team receiving a handsome medal. The banquet proved a great success and will be repeated in the near future.

A very pleasant incident of the past week was Capt. Kookegay's birthday celebration. The celebration itself did not amount to much owing to the fact that the boys are weary of celebrating Cap's birthdays. This was the seventy-ninth, and as it is the fourth one within a year you can't blame the boys. Cap should mark his birthday on a calendar to avoid confusion.

"Merry Bachelors" of the Bindery will celebrate the birthday of George Washington by holding their annual reception and informal dance on February 21, starting promptly at 9 p. m, until 2 a. m. on February 22, at National Rifles. The director of the orchestra has sent for all the latest and popular music. This year the ladies are greatly interested and not a feminine acquaintance of a single member of the organization will be missing. The bookbinders' wives are also busy preparing, and some of the old fellows will have to brush up. A man is as old as he feels, and a woman as old as she looks. Refreshments will be served in the dining room, which is below the ball room, and will be presided over by a bevy of pretty girls, so don't fail to be on hand with your opera glasses.

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AN AMENDMENT TO "LEAVES FROM THE PAST."

DETROIT, MICH., *January 28, 1906.*

Editors THE TRADES UNIONIST:

In Brother Donath's "Leaves from the Past" he makes history as to the formation of the old *Craftsman*, to which I beg leave to make one amendment in accordance with the real facts in the case.

Brother Donath prefaces his statement by saying that "The father of the *Craftsman* was Billy Briggs, the former Secretary-Treasurer of the I. T. U." Such is not the fact. Brother Sam Leffingwell, of Indianapolis, was publishing the *Organette*, (ostensibly the craft organ), and in the early part of 1883 wrote me to the effect that he saw no possible way to continue its publication, and suggested that I make an effort to have the paper published under other auspices, and more favorable conditions, in Washington City; that he would sell the good will, etc., to me for $100. With this end in view, I consulted with "Billy" Briggs—and the results were as given in Brother Donath's able article.

The tenth man, whose name Brother Donath is unable to recall, was Mr. Leahy, who was the first business manager.

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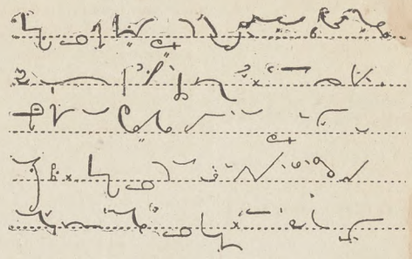

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The club is organized for the study of questions relating to the public welfare and welcomes anyone to membership who is interested therein.

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Union Directory.

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Allied Printing Trades Council meets last Thursday in the month at Typographical Temple. Elmer Johnson, Secretary, No. 2009 Flagler street northwest.

Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13, of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101. Mrs. Bert V. Wolfe, president, 235 Massachusetts avenue northwest; Mrs. E. H. Thomas, secretary, The Bertholdt, 128 Maryland avenue southwest. Meets at Typographical Temple first Monday in each month.

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 722 Sixth street northeast.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

Bricklayers, No. 1, meets second and fourth Thursdays in each month at Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. Milford Spohn, Secretary, 1238 Eighth street northwest.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Joseph Hutton, Chairman, 809 F street southwest; H. Burns, Secretary, 1960 Second street northwest; Wm Cronin, 1415 Thirty-sixth street northwest; Timothy Costello, 37 K street northwest; James French, 614 K street southeast.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5, meets every Friday night at 7.30, in Hall 1, Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. George W. Nyman, Secretary, 1253 Eighth street northwest.

Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

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Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, Amalgamated, No. 148, meets second and fourth Wednesdays at 922 Pennsylvania avenue n. w. Martin Hellmuth, Secretary, 609 D street southwest.

Plate Printers Union, No. 2, meets on second Sunday in each month at 2.30 p. m., at Typographical Temple, 425 G street northwest. J. Edward Beach, President; J. C. Staats, Secretary, Kensington, Md.

Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Union, No. 11773, meets the first Tuesday in each month at 7.30 p. m., Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. Frank F. Hartwell, Secretary, 810 Twentieth street northwest.

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Doing Good Work.

We append the following from a member of Columbia Typographical Union who is at present not actively engaged at the printing business, but is nevertheless interested enough to watch for favorable opportunities to aid the boys in securing the shorter workday:

On January 10 I sent to the Secretary of No. 6 a newspaper clipping from a Pennsylvania country paper, giving the names of four boys who had gone to New York to work. It was merely an idea I had that we ought to send such information where it would be useful, whether amounting to anything or not. On the 15th I received a letter dated 14th, from the strike committee, thanking me heartily and advising me that all four had been located in a Typothetæ office, one of them won over, and the other three would be seen at once, although one had been sent back home to bring another printer he thought he could get (I suppose at his own expense—*nit!*).

I think you will agree with me that No. 6 is wide awake. Newman, of strike committee, writes as follows:

"We now have 212 offices won, thirty-four of them out, embracing about 850 men; twenty-nine Typothetæ offices have signed and twenty-four remain firm. Only 240 rats are here—130 men and 110 boys and girls under 19 years of age. There are about thirty competent printers in the whole bunch. Only eleven men ratted, four of them foremen."

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JOTTINGS BY JOHN JOTTINGER.

Good morning. What's the difference between a stack of hay and the *Delineator?* Why, one is called a hayrick and the other is a Butterick. Cut it out!

I am satisfied that in no quarter will I be accused of being a professional dispenser of compliments and "jolly," and my sincerity will not be questioned when I say that last week's paper was excellent to such a degree that my feeble vaporings were hardly missed. Pard Bloomer's column fairly sizzled with hot things, while Mr. Donath's column of history made me feel like patting myself on the head for suggesting that some of our old-timers print their reminiscences. But on reading Sutton's threat to inflict a whole page on us at one time I concluded it was time to get in the game again. Hence this consignment of language.

About every three days now the Teapotters get together and pass resolutions to the effect that they feel themselves winning the fight, but most of them have to swallow a big lump before they vote "aye."

The Butterick Company for a while will have the help of thousands of loyal union women in "cutting out" their patterns. Whether they will appreciate the work remains to be seen.

I notice at the union meetings that when some important down-town matter is under discussion very few G. P. O. people show a disposition to "butt in," and I am glad of it, for the down-towners are abundantly able to handle their own affairs. They have in their ranks able and conservative men and good debaters who understand their own needs and limitations better than we can, and so long as they handle their business as well as they do at present it is up to us to save our advice till it is asked for.

The best definition of the "open shop" I have ever heard is this: "The open shop is one where the employer hopes to obtain the union quantity and quality of output under scab conditions, with a force of scab workmen working for a scab scale of wages."

Apologists for Benedict Arnold have pleaded in extenuation of his foul crime that he had been wronged and humiliated by his superior officers; but it has remained for a G. P. O. deserter from Columbia Union to plead, in extenuation of his own treachery, the fear that our international officers have it in their power to wrong him! And while in most cases a poor excuse is better than none, this plea only still further lowers him in the estimation of men and women who prize their union cards and have faith in the fairness and honesty of officers elected by a majority of the membership.

The Shelby Smith case has furnished this party—I had almost said "gentleman"—with what seems to him a good reason for becoming to all intents and purposes a rat. Mr. Smith, who, according to his erratic reasoning, has been most foully wronged, is not sulking in his back yard, but is loyally working for the success of all we are contending for, although it would seem that he is really the one entitled to nurse a grouch. He has even urged his zealous fool friend to be a man and pay his dues. But for want of a better reason for saving the few paltry dollars he has been paying for his card, and lowering himself to the level of traitors and union busters, this party takes this opportunity to flock by himself, in a grandiloquent manner reserving to himself the right to rejoin the union when he gets good and ready. It's a cinch, however, that if he were in a shop where the union had the power to take him by the nape of the neck and the slack of his pants and throw him into the street it would never have occurred to him to even worry over the troubles of Shelby Smith.

The other night a large hunk of delicious "taffy" was left on the writer's desk by our esteemed fellow-citizen, Frank Smith. As a return in kind I would state that Mr. Smith is a very fine gentleman and a good union man from cellar to garret (in which there are no rats). If he is a candidate for the trip to Colorado Springs next August, I have pledged him my earnest support, and he is bound to win in a lope.

Bob Stenner came to work one night last week and discovered that he had neglected to bring his glasses. As the *Record* six and eight point is not to be trifled with unless you have a sharp pair of eyes or a good pair of glasses, Bob had himself excused for half an hour in order to go home and dig up the missing lenses. To make the trip in that time he had to resort to the street cars both ways. Arriving at his home he put his wife and all the children at the job of ransacking the house for the glasses, but without success. In despair he had about made up his mind to take a night off when he put his hand in his coat pocket and fished out the cause of all the excitement. Item: Two care fares, a half hour's pay, and a whole lot of emotion wasted.

This reminded Charlie Stutsman of the time he had an absent minded fit. He got on a New York Avenue car, paid his fare, and obtained a transfer to the Ninth Street line. Shortly afterwards the conductor came through the car again, calling for "Fares, please," and Stutsman handed out his transfer. After getting on the Ninth Street car he woke up and found it necessary to pay another fare.

This was not quite as bad as Pard Bloomer's attack the time he mislaid his glasses at home. Becoming excited in searching for them, he absentmindedly picked them up, perched them on his nose—and kept right on looking for them!

Which goes to show that all we great men are liable to get "nutty" at times.

The Teapotters seem to have worked themselves into a blithering frenzy over the union obligation. The public knows enough about that obligation to respect every man and woman who lives up to it and to despise every one who proves false to it. The first duty of every worker is to himself and his family, and that duty is best performed by true unionists. The effort to drag religion into the present contest between capital and labor illustrates the straits of a sanctimonious class who have no use for religion save as it will serve their ends, and Satan smiles when they prate of the "sacraments of the church."

The Nonpareil Mining and Development Company, which for a couple of years has been trying to dispose of its stock to union printers, may be all right in a business sense, but I believe it would be just as well for union men to keep their hands off the proposition until the treasurer of that company "squares" himself. A traitor to his union is hardly to be trusted in any kind of a business transaction.

The union busters in the G. P. O. will never need a secretary to keep tab on their membership.

Some of our would-be union statesmen really ought to be taken aside and gently informed that history does not record a single instance where a man became either great or popular by asking fool questions.

Who can blame the employer of scab labor for wanting to run an "open" shop? Constant association with rats and cats would drive any man to holding his nose or insisting on better ventilation.

Over three hundred years ago John Heywood wrote "It is a foul bird that defileth his own nest," and that applies very aptly to-day to the blatherskites who, with union cards in their pockets, continually go out of their way to throw mud at the policies of their union and the men who are doing their best to carry out the will of the majority, expressed by their votes in referendum and in convention. The fact that they find themselves unable to agree with the majority on the eight-hour question or any other is hardly a valid excuse for continually hurling at their fellow-unionists such epithets as "padrone, crook, labor skate, and loafer;" but the truth of the matter is that we have grown so used to this sort of thing that the "hee-haw" of an ass in the field attracts more attention than the chorus of those who ape its characteristics.

The Navy Department is to be compelled to practice rigid economy during the next fiscal year. Guess where they will begin.

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

Resolution Against the Anti-Eight-Hour Action of Congress.

NEW SCAB CIGARS ON MARKET

Musicians Want Majestic Theater Declared Unfair—Strike at F. G. Smith's Piano Factory—Golden & Co. Receiving Attention of the Unions.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was held on Monday evening at Typographical Temple, President Adams in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, and after correction, were approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Bartenders' League, No. 75: Jere F. McCarthy, J. H. Howard, George Hilbush, W. E. Brown, and B. V. Walz.

Engineers, No. 99: James Nesmith, M. B. Godfrey, and R. K. Murray, vice Houchen, Callen, and Venable.

Ice Wagon Drivers, No. 430: W. W. Chism, R. F. Mathews, C. C. Balderson, George Murray, and F. C. Siggers.

Press Feeders and Assistants, No. 42: James P. McGinnis, Frank R. Waple, H. J. Carroll, Ernest Price, and Simon Greenberg.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Central Federated Union, New York City, asking for contributions to John Swinton Memorial Fund. Placed on file.

From Tile Layers and Helpers, No. 12, asking indorsement of proposed increase in scale effective May 1. Endorsement given.

From Ice Wagon Drivers and Helpers, No. 430, asking that members of Unions in buying ice from dealers see that drivers and helpers have Union cards. Placed on file.

From Musicians' Union, No. 161, stating that they had exhausted all honorable means to secure a settlement with the Majestic Theater management, and asking that that theater be declared unfair. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Box Makers and Sawyers, No. 254, of Baltimore, Md., asking that label boxes be asked for in bottling houses in this city. Referred to Brewery Workers.

From H. A. Stemburgh, secretary-treasurer International Hod Carriers and Building Laborers' Union, asking assistance in the reorganization of Local 68 in this city. Referred to Organization Committee.

From H. A. Stemburgh, secretary-treasurer of International Hod Carriers and Building Laborers' Union, inclosing correspondence relative to trouble between Hod Carriers' Union of this city and A. B. Stannard, contractor on Department of Agriculture building. Referred to special committee.

From Amalgamated Carpenters, Branch No. 1, inclosing circular and letter from B. A. Larger, general secretary of United Garment Workers of America, relative to sale in this city of Rochester nonunion made clothing. Referred to Label Committee and publish list of members of Rochester Clothiers' Exchange who sell to local dealers.

From Charles Dold, president of Piano, Organ, and Musical Instrument Workers' International Union, calling attention to strike in factory of F. G. Smith, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who conducts a store in this city. Referred to special committee.

INDORSEMENTS.

The following Unions have indorsed the action of the Central Labor Union in placing Golden & Co. on the unfair list:

Bakers' Union No. 118: Fine of $2; committee to call on Golden & Co.

Bartenders' League, No. 75.

Beer Drivers and Stablemen, No. 234: Members cautioned not to deal with Golden & Co., directly or indirectly; otherwise penalty of $5 fine.

Cigar Makers, No. 110: All members asked to refrain from patronizing Golden & Co.

Iron Molders' Union, No. 215.

Stone and Building Laborers' Union, No. 46.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Carpenters, Amalgamated, First Branch: That they had indorsed action of Central Body in placing Golden & Co. on unfair list.

Bricklayers: Delegate Spohn called attention to a bill that had been referred to the Legislative Committee relative to employees' liability, and asked for a report from the Committee.

Bookbinders: That they would hold a reception and ball on the eve of Washington's Birthday (February 21), at National Rifles' Hall.

Barbers, No. 239: Called attention to the use of the triangle card, which is not the recognized label of Journeymen Barbers' Union.

Cigar Makers, No. 110: Called attention to two new brands of Trust-made cigars, "Buck" and "Anna Held," and requested all Union men to discourage sale of same where possible.

Hod Carriers: That their grievance with the bricklayer contractor on annex of Abner-Drury brewery had been adjusted.

Ice Wagon Drivers, No. 430: Called attention to fact that it would soon be time again to buy ice, and asked that members call for drivers' and helpers' cards on wagon deliveries.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The special committee to whom was referred the duty of presenting suitable resolutions condemning the action of the House of Representatives in setting aside the eight-hour law in work on Panama Canal, reported as follows:

The action of the United States House of Representatives, on January 27, in waiving, by means of a rider to an urgent deficiency bill, the federal eight-hour law in the case of aliens who may be employed on the Isthmus of Panama, is regarded by the Central Labor Union of Washington, D. C., as an insidious scheme, a bit of legislative jugglery in the interest of prospective public contractors and those engaged in the barter of cheap, helpless labor.

We further regard this action of the House, as in principle a breach of law which plainly evinces contempt for a statute which, to an extent, maintains American hours and wages, and the partial abrogation thereof is an insult to every wage-earner of our country.

It is the latest incident of many in the past which should emphasize the fact that to secure equitable industrial legislation the wage-earners of the country should rise to the full statue of American manhood, and regardless of partisan bias or influence register their demands at the ballot box, and in future cease the role of Lazarus at the portals of the national Capitol.

Resolved, That copies of this protest be forwarded to the Central Bodies throughout the country with the request that the same, or a declaration of similar import, be adopted.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Senate committee having bill in charge.

THE TYPOTHETÆ IDEA.

"The Public Be Damned."

Just where or by whom this expression was coined is not clearly established, but it is of such significance that no corporation is clear in its title or fully equipped to do business without it. A more defiant business motto could scarcely be devised. It is a fit companion piece to the one employed by "Boss" Tweed, of unsavory name, who, when confronted by complaints of many misdemeanors, turned upon his accusers and with an air of blissful indifference propounded this stunning conundrum: "What are you going to do about it?" The answer came later by a prison sentence, the end of which the old man could not hope to see; but the fashion of rebuking derelict public servants by prison process departed when came increased opportunities for graft and with the introduction of some of these latter day "business methods," by which the interests of the many are too often sacrificed for the selfish few.

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Talk on the Label.

Editors of THE TRADES UNIONIST:

We wish to call attention to the addresses delivered from time to time at printers' headquarters, 902 D street northwest. Since the inauguration of the struggle for an eight-hour day it has been the policy of the committee in charge to provide for those affected entertainment in the form of addresses by persons in sympathy with the labor movement. While we have had gentlemen of national and even international reputation on the program, and have listened with great interest and profit to many able talks, there have been none that should appeal with more force than the talk of Mr. F. C. Roberts on last Thursday. Mr. Roberts' theme was the importance of patronizing firms who sell goods bearing the labels of the unions represented in their manufacture. The speaker called attention to the fact that a simple "unionist" was selfish, but that a "trades unionist" was broad and liberal; and in contradistinction to the unionist, who was wrapped up wholly in the welfare of his own particular union, was the man who recognized the need of looking after the interests of all unions represented in the industrial world, and who looked for the imprint of the worker on everything he was forced to purchase, so far as possible. We are sorry the words of Mr. Roberts were not listened to by more "unionists," but trust that henceforth all who heard him will become "trades unionists." The label is beyond question the most potent weapon we have for bringing about a final settlement of all difficulties in the labor world, and all men who desire this settlement should use it.

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The Second Division Banquet.

Certain members of the Second Division Chapel of the Government Printing Office are indulging in pleasant anticipations as February 21, the date of their banquet, approaches. In the matter of refreshments it will be a modest affair, the price per plate being $1.50, but in the essential features of goodfellowship and varied entertainment, judging from the former sitting, it is likely to meet all requirements. There are a few chairs still vacant, and those desiring to join in the revelry and song should apply to W. D. Glenn, Second Division.

Capital Social Science Club.

The meeting of the Capital Social Science Club, announced for Thursday next, has been postponed to Thursday, February 15.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

One of the prettiest weddings of the season was the marriage of Miss Mabel Bowan to John W. Duke, on Wednesday, January 31, at the residence of her brother, M. A. Bowan, ex-president of Columbia Lodge of Machinists. After a wedding trip through the South, extending to Palm Beach, Fla., the happy couple will be at home, 302 Walnut street, Richmond, Va. The happy man is a good unionist and an active member of the Order of Railway Conductors. The TRADES UNIONIST offers its felicitations to the happy couple.

Within the last two weeks quite a number of machinists in the Yard have resigned to accept positions under the Panama Commission. I understand that several more have registered with the Civil Service Commission and expect within a fortnight to be called to that healthful resort. The Commission are offering as inducements a wage of 65 cents per hour, which includes quinine, etc. There is a biblical saying, "Many are called, but few are chosen." In this case it will be, "Many will go, but few will return." There is one consoling feature, however, Monkey Hill cemetery has a large area.

Tuesday evening, January 30, our worthy treasurer, Samuel D. Cole, and his estimable wife were sitting by the fireside, no doubt talking of the many hours of happiness they had enjoyed during their married life, when they were disturbed by the entrance of a dozen or more of the members of Columbia Lodge and their wives. The first impulse of this happy couple was to ring for a policeman, but seeing the happy faces of his brothers and their wives, accompanied by numerous boxes, they concluded there was no intention on the part of the visitors to do them bodily harm. The truth of the matter is, it was the fifth anniversary of their wedding day, and the boys and their wives concluded to give them a surprise party. Many handsome and valuable presents were presented to the happy couple. When the boxes were opened and the table spread, Brother Sam and his wife were invited to partake, not only as a remembrance of five years' happiness, but as a token of love and esteem in which the happy couple are held by the members of Columbia Lodge. THE TRADES UNIONIST also extends its felicitations on the occasion.

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The *Evening Star* on February 1 said that a big discharge would take place in the Naval Gun Factory; that their reporter on visiting the Navy Yard saw groups of men discussing the situation and wondering where lightning would strike first. Wrong again, venerable *Star*. There is but one answer to the statement. There is to be no reduction in the working force in the Naval Gun Factory. On the contrary, each day sees new mechanics employed.

When the *Star* reported visited the Yard it was lunch hour, and the several groups were workmen who were assembled about the lunch tables discussing the different varieties of food.

There has been a large reduction in the Bureau of Yards and Docks of its different classes of mechanics and laborers owing to the fact that during the first six months of the fiscal year that Bureau has disbursed the greater part of its appropriation. To prevent a deficiency and keep within the law about 60 per cent of the employees of that bureau will be furloughed until July 1.

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Wednesday evening last, Columbia Lodge of Machinists, devoted to educational purposes. The subject presented was, "The White Plague, Tuberculosis." Dr. D. Olin Leech explained the subject by proving the fact that tuberculosis is a specific infectious disease caused by a specific micro-organism, the "bacillus tuberculosis," which constitutes in fact the true tubercle virus. The development of consumption from the germs is likened to the to the parable of the sower: "A sower went forth to sow his seed, and some fell on good ground and it sprang up and bore fruit an hundred fold." This was illustrated by consumptives expectorating on the sidewalk. This sputa becoming dry is taken up by the winds and drawn into the lungs of people passing along. It is a noticeable fact, said Dr. Leech, that those who live in latitudes like this, exposed to varying conditions of temperature, contract a habit of lung trouble that makes them susceptible to the poison. The momentous question of the day is, "How can we prevent consumption?" This is a question that should be taken seriously, not only by the individual, but by organizations. Live in the sunshine; fresh air is also necessary, and of all things avoid serious people. Eat plenty of fresh eggs and drink rich milk—above all things avoid alcoholic drinks.

Mr. Wallace Hatch, of the Associated Charities, followed Dr. Leech with an interesting lecture showing by the aid of stereopticon views the slums of Washington. The lower, five in all its variations, were ably explained by Mr. Hatch, who made a personal appeal to every one present to assist the committee in eradicating from in our midst that terrible disease that in one year had carried to the tomb 467 out of 1000 colored children and 185 of 1000 white children before they had arrived at the age of one year.

The committee in charge of the lecture deserve much credit in presenting for the benefit of the Lodge such an interesting subject; one that should be acted on, not only for the benefits that might come to the individual members but for the great good it may do for our our little ones.

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PROSTITUTED PENS.

A careful review of the printers' strike has convinced me of one fact, that we are living in the age of prostituted pens. This does not apply to scribblers to newspapers, but to editors of public journals who consult the opinions of those opposed to trades unionism more than the principles of truth as revealed to their own consciences. It is to be regretted that newspapers are sometimes established with the view of advocating some particular cause, and that the services of an editor are purchased with reference mainly to his intellectual capacity, while his own private opinion is entirely opposite with the principles advocated by the paper. The pen of that man is certainly prostituted for money, and his influence cannot but be injurious upon the public mind. I can easily understand that it is very different when a person is employed to furnish articles of a merely miscellaneous character. Far different is the case with the pen which is prepared to write for all parties and to defend all doctrines for money. The man who wields it can scarcely be esteemed honest, for he speaks that which he believes not, and when he defends principles which he not only believes, but knows to be wrong, he must at least, according to the best of his knowledge, war against truth, and exercise a bad influence upon the community. His is indeed a prostituted pen, and shows a false and hollow-hearted condition of society when such means are resorted to for the purpose of building up a cause which he knows to be not only unfair, but absolutely wrong.

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B. A. Larger, general secretary of the United Garment Workers of America, has sent out a circular letter giving an account of the strike of cutters employed by members of Rochester Clothiers Exchange for an eight-hour day. He requests that members of organized labor and local clothing houses be notified that the following firms, comprising the Rochester Clothing Exchange, are unfair to organized labor:

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AS THE weeks roll into months the cry is still, "We'll have enough printers in a few more days."

THE Typothetæ might adopt as their emblem an open-face watch indicating a nine hour work day and short of hands.

IT IS pleasant to reflect how kind the Typothetæ would be to their hired help if they could only run their own shops without outside interference.

ONE of the Teapots forgot instructions from headquarters last week, and in the excitement of the moment actually slapped the Union on the wrist.

EMPLOYEES of the Government can no longer present their superior officials with bouquets and big red apples, and it is a question whether it is any longer permissible for the subservient underling to laugh at superior officials' jokes.

Admiration and Doubts.

The Typothetæ assert that it is not the matter of wages which influences them in fighting the Typographical Union, but the principle involved. We are glad to hear it. It is delightful to learn that they have at last arisen from the sordid influences of the busy mart and are reaching out after sweetness and light. Heretofore they have seemed somewhat blind to the kindly glow of advancing civilization. But since they themselves have said it—or at least one of them—it may be well to repress the incredulous smile and pause one soulful moment to see what happens. If they are indeed in the fight for the health of their souls, we may yet see them, for instance, leading the van in behalf of a child-labor law strictly enforced. We may find them inspiring a great movement for the elimination of the sweat shop. They may yet become conspicuous in a final successful effort to bring about utopian conditions in the factories and mines of the country. Even though they don't do all these things, it is hard to help admiring the artistic manner in which they make goo-goo eyes at the dear public and cling to that extra hour at one and the same time. They are a nice lot of gentlemen, the Typothetæ, and we don't like to believe they are more fond of low wages than they are of principle and of us. Yet it must be confessed that the contrast between their words and their actions causes doubts to arise. In fact we never before fully understood the feelings of the hero of the old song who, having spent a week's wages in showing his best girl a good time, is finally led to exclaim in an exquisite outburst of wavering thoughtfulness:

"She was very fond of oysters;
She would eat till she was blue.
But she said, ''Tis not the fish I like;
My love, it's only you.'"

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

I had a letter from Billy Wilkinson, of Austin, Tex., last week, and he is one of the ablest and most interesting of all my rather large corps of correspondents. Commenting on some remarks of mine about "knockers," he mentioned the case of a Galveston man, recently dead, who died practically the head of the largest printing establishment in that city. Many years ago, with the weakness that then often afflicted printers, he had drank himself to the lowest depths. Kind hands helped him and he soon again became the man he had always really been. For years after every panhandler who went to Galveston would make a mark of "Bob," claiming to have done so-and-so for him when he was on that last big drunk, Being big-hearted he always responded. One day, after he had become vice-president of the great corporation, a hard-looking bat accosted him with the usual plea. Just at this time "Wilk" happened to pass, and the Colonel called to him, saying:

"Wilk, do you know this man?"

I must plead guilty, Colonel," said Wilk.

"Well," said he, as he handed the bat a dollar, "take a good look at him." This is the five hundredth son of a biscuit that helped to pull me out of the gutter ten years ago. Now, my friend," he continued, addressing the bum, "let me advise you to pull yourself out of the same condition."

There are some men who, if they know a man who was ever down in the world, feel that they have a perpetual mortgage on him.

They had had some excitement in Austin the week before, of which I do not remember seeing any mention in the papers. Ed. H. Smith, State printer since last September, went behind a clump of Spanish daggers in a public park, drank carbolic acid, and finished off with a razor. Matters relating to the printing contract are believed to be the cause of the act. Mike Williams, who was a delegate to this city from San Antonio in 1903, is an applicant for the place made vacant, as is Frank Walker, of Galveston.

A paragraph of Wilkinson's letter reads as follows:

That stinker you have among you who appealed to his God in the matter of paying his dues and stood pat on the decision is the first beast I ever knew to claim that the Almighty had given him bad advice. "The light that led astray was light from heaven."

These extracts will interest the Texans in the office—and there are a slew of them, many of whom knew Wilkinson—as well as others.

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"I cannot abide to see men throw away their tools the minute the clock begins to strike, as if they took no pleasure in their work and was afraid o'doing a stroke too much. The very grindstone'll go on turning a bit after you loose it."—*George Eliot, quoted in Inland Printer.*

I cannot abide to see my boss stop counting out money to me the minute he reaches the stipend agreed upon, as if he took no pleasure in letting go of his stuff and was afraid o' paying me a dollar too much. The coins will run for some time if he doesn't tighten his grip.

I cannot abide to see the merchant tear off the cloth just where the yardstick ends, as if he took no pleasure in measuring and was afraid o' giving an ell too much. The yardstick will slip along quite a bit if he doesn't hold it too firmly.

I cannot abide to see the barkeeper shut off the spigot the second he judges I have my five cents worth, as if he took no pleasure in giving away his beer and was afraid o' giving me a half a pint too much. The spigot will run for some time if you don't turn it off too sharply.

There are a lot of things me and George Eliot can't abide.

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I frequently get a bundle of papers with a big fist on the wrapper, with the magic word "Marked" stamped in front of the finger, but when I open the pages I find them innocent of pencil or ink. I don't think there is any unionism in that.

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To the Officers and Members:

I announce my candidacy for re-election to the presidency of the International Typographical Union.

Fraternally, yours,
JAMES M. LYNCH.

Thus modestly does Mr. Lynch again place himself before the membership for re-election to the office which he has filled so ably and so gracefully for a period during which our organization has thrived beyond any corresponding time. Its growth not alone in numbers but in percentage of those eligible to membership is unprecedented. At no other time have we been such a compact body, including in our numbers practically all who have the necessary skill and honesty to entitle them to be of us. During Mr. Lynch's presidency the preparations were made for our great struggle, of which due notice was given our employers, and under him we have gone on until victory is in sight. The eight-hour day is an accomplished fact.

So far as I am able to hear, neither Mr. Lynch nor his splendid lieutenant, Secretary-Treasurer John W. Bramwood, will have any opposition this year—if any, it will be flattery to so designate it. He will indeed have a sanguine turn of mind who tries to induce the membership to "swap horses while crossing the stream."

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A Boulder (Colo.) office, the only one in the State resisting the eight-hour day, surrendered last week.

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When Cumberland (Md.) Typographical Union, No. 244, began the eight-hour strike it also began the publication of the *Union News Leader*, a little daily evening paper. It met with such success and received such generous advertising patronage that it has had to be enlarged, and the probability is that the proprietor of the *Evening Times*, by refusing an eight-hour day, has accumulated a permanent business rival which will cost him ten hundred times the expense of granting the eight-hour day. Many of the standard papers of the country had their origin in a printers' strike.

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I am told that one of the fellows refusing to pay his union dues owes everybody in the office to whom he could become indebted, including the colored laborers. Such a man must have a dishonest streak in him somewhere.

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The Washington College of Law, Mrs. Helen Spencer Mussey, president, held its annual banquet at Rauscher's one night last week. I am told that after the guests were seated it was discovered that there were no printed menus, and Mrs. Mussey said, in apology, that she had learned that their printing had been given to a prominent Typothetæ office that never disappoints, which was the cause of the misfortune. She also said that the printing would have gone to an eight-hour office if she had had anything to do with it, for she is in thorough sympathy with the printers in their contention.

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Every day non-unionists come out of the Typothetæ offices and give in their allegiance to the Union. We do not need even to solicit them to do so when they see what they are up against.

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Late last week a dispatch in a Baltimore paper stated that the greatest printing house in Chicago, Rand, McNally & Co., had signed the eight-hour scale, though I saw no mention of it in any of our Washington papers. I have no complaint to make of the way our papers have handled the strike news in this city, the *Star* being especially fair and all of them maintaining a neutral position. Reporter Walter H. Mitchell, of the latter paper, one of the best reporters in the city, handles the matter, I believe, and his accounts have been commendable and fair to both sides.

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I hear that a bogus Grand Lodge of Masons is in process of formation in this city. After it has swindled a few men out of some easy money it will go out of business, as usual. If you want anything in that line, go to the reliable old stand; none other is genuine.

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It is said that the Typothetæ of this city would surrender—would have surrendered ere this—were it not that the Manufacturers' Association insists upon their holding out. It seems to me that the Teapotters would hesitate to permit outsiders to manage their business for them, especially when the disaster grows greater daily from such interference. I have heard that the right to manage their own business is one of principal tenets of the Typothetæ.

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Secretary Seibold had an able statement of the merits of our case in the eight-hour contention in the *Times* of Tuesday.

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Thomas W. Clark, for many years a member of Columbia Union and for several an employe of the G. P. O., died at Alexandria on Tuesday. About twenty years ago he was a delegate from this Union to the I. T. U., and, there being no union in Alexandria, he retained his membership here to the end. He served five years as a member of the City Council of Alexandria. He was about 67 years old and leaves a wife and two daughters. His last work in the G. P. O. was in the State Department Branch about a dozen years ago. He was universally respected and had many warm friends.

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On Monday the announcement was made that the business manager of one of the Typothetæ offices had been carried to the Homœopathic Hospital, suffering with nervous prostration, due to the great strain that has been upon him during the past few weeks. It is almost inhuman to permit men to subject themselves to what may be life disability in the effort to defeat a just cause. It almost seems a case for the interference of the law.

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About a month ago Frank A. Smith deposited a New York card in this Union. On Monday night he died, of pneumonia; but the doctors expressed the opinion that he also had smallpox, and his remains were ordered to be buried before 12 o'clock on Wednesday, in accordance with the law pertaining to such cases. This was done under the auspices of the officers of Columbia Union. A brother's address was found and he was informed of the sad circumstances.

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A prominent Typothetæ employer was quoted in the *Star* last Saturday as saying that he would not know a strike was going on if it were not for the newspaper reports, as his business was going on as usual. A little boy once gave the company a conundrum: "My mother has two daughters, but I never had a sister." The answer was: The boy lied.

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I am told that a colored member of Columbia Union has refused to pay his dues, alleging that his card is not worth anything to him outside of the Government Printing Office. If that were true, which I am not prepared to admit, his gratitude to Columbia Typographical Union, the first in the world to grant the colored man membership, ought to be sufficient ground for keeping in good standing. Admission to Columbia Union made it possible for colored men to obtain employment in the great office in which he is employed, and in their employment there they have all the rights and privileges which any others have, not the least of which is the fairly remunerative wage scale, which is entirely due to the Union. Withdraw from the Union, break its force, and lose the sympathy and support of the trades unionists of the country, and we will soon see our wages on the toboggan slide until a plane of $2 50 or $3 is reached. Congress is looking into every detail with a view to decreasing the cost of the public printing, and nothing but fear of offending the trades unionists of the country prevents our wages from being one of the first points of attack.

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A resolution to this effect will be introduced at the next meeting of Columbia Union:

Resolved, That any member of Columbia Typographical Union in possession of and enjoying a regular situation as a printer, able to work and working, who shall refuse to pay the dues and assessments levied by or with the consent of this Union shall be declared unfair and expelled after being one month in arrears; and such member shall not be reinstated except on paying all arrears of dues and assessments and a fine of $50, and then only on a two-thirds vote.

It is time that the Union should take some action regarding the two or three traitors in its ranks. That every one of them will be properly "come up with" is not for a moment to be doubted. No great wrong goes forever unavenged. Our punishment for such treachery, as provided by our laws, is inadequate.

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On February 2 the Kansas City *Labor Herald* entered upon the third year of its career, strong, vigorous, and healthy. It is one of the best labor papers coming to my private table, brimming with trade union news in every issue, and no Kansas City or nearby trades unionist can afford to be without it, doing himself an injustice if he does. I wish it a continuance of the high tide of prosperity which it enjoys at present.

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The chairman of the committee appointed to interview the authorities of the G. P. O., with a view of doing away with the considerable amount of overtime work now being done, F. C. Roberts, informs me that it was stated at the interview that some men want and ask for overtime work. It is hard to believe that men who are struggling to establish the eight-hour day would ask for a violation of the principle, though it must be so, having been officially so stated.

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The Washington *Post* of last Sunday wound up an editorial on industrial wars—otherwise strikes—thus:

Capital must learn, and practice, that labor is entitled to adequate reward for toil, and labor must learn that it is not necessary for a man to get leave of a labor union in this country before he can earn a living by the work of his hands. These two lessons, well learned, will make permanent peace between capital and labor.

Yea, the permanent peace between the lion and the lamb, for the latter lesson (non-unionism) makes the former unnecessary. Under no circumstances is labor able to impress upon capital that it is entitled to any kind of reward, adequate or otherwise, except by the demands of labor unions. Under no other circumstances does it ever receive greater reward than sufficient to maintain life and continue at work. I believe I have never read a more assinine analysis of the situation than that given by the *Post* writer above quoted.

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Information comes to me that two of the misguided ones who refuse to pay dues have been the beneficiaries of subscriptions raised by their fellow workmen and women, all true unionists. How they must feel when they think of it!

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I recently received a letter from George F. Halsey, in charge of the Panama Canal Commission printing office, at Ancon, Canal Zone, with specimens of the printing they do, which are fully equal to work done in the G. P. O. and vastly superior to that done elsewhere. He does not speak encouragingly, however, of the wages paid printers there, being but 50 cents, silver, per hour, which is only 25 cents in purchase power and about half what other skilled workmen get. Halsey's health remains good. Much new material and two new presses are being added to the plant, and he is to have a new 25-horsepower engine. He sends regards to all.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Second Division.

Good evening. Is your card on straight? If it isn't, please get agait, before it is eternally too late.

H. J. Smith was on the sick list for a week.

We have lost several good men recently.

Poor old Bill. Why did you do it? Now I know you rue it.

This is a strenuous room. So keep an eye on the "new broom."

Injunctions, sometimes, like patriotism, is the last resort of scoundrels.

Quite a number of our members have been on the sick list during the past few weeks.

It is said that "Nero fiddled while Rome burned," and one B. S. A. seems to think it is his turn.

Foreman Shanks had an attack of la grippe and was confined to his home for several days.

We received several additions to our force from the Specification Room recently. All of them excellent workmen, by the way.

Messrs. Van Arsdale and Tuck (here is wishing them good luck) were transferred to the *Gazette* force, and are now operating machines.

Mr. Hopkins, who recently came to this room from the *Gazette*, has been sick most of the time since his arrival. Here's hoping he will soon be well.

Well, when we come to think of it, three (3) traitors in an office employing about 1,000 men isn't a bad showing after all. *Sic semper tyrannis*, etc.

John F. True, an old and honored member of this chapel, has been on the sick list for some time. Let us hope he will soon be back to the mines, as it were.

A poor excuse is better than none for a man who is looking for a flimsy apology for not paying his union card, thus violating his solemn oath of obligation.

Several members of this Division have been transferred to the Proof Room—or the "brainery," as it is called. The parting gives us pain, but our loss is their gain.

This time last year, it is said, there were over 200 compositors on the Spess rolls. To-day there is not 100 I am told. Of course the machines don't throw anybody out of work.

Keep up the good work and give no quarter to the enemy. We have been too easy. Let us have united effort all along the line, and a systematic boycott like Brother Donath tells us about that we carried on in the stirring days of 1883. *Nil desperandum!*

How can a man who professes to be a Christian, and a so-called leading light in a Baptist Church, refuse to pay his union card, an honest debt or obligation. Somewhere in the good Book we are told to be "faithful in engagements, and to owe no man anything."

One morning as the writer was coming to the office on the G street cars he saw an iron cage on the platform of the car. In the cage were two large "rats" of the four-legged tribe. We asked the owner of the cage what he intended doing with his friends. He remarked that he was going to give them a coat of white-wash, and put them to work in a certain down town office.

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Speaking of the Proof Room reminds us of an incident that occurred some years ago before the advent of our beneficent civil-service law:

Senator Wayback succeeded in getting one of his constituents appointed in the office, but it so happened that he could not print—didn't even know the boxes. The Senator was notified of the facts in the case, and that his constituent would have to go, but after considerable persuasion he was consigned or assigned to the Proof Room.

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Make no engagement for February 21, the date of the Second Division banquet, as it will be a swell affair, and you all will want to be there, as there has been an excellent programme prepared for the occasion besides a very tempting menu. There will be interesting music by attractive and accomplished ladies, and interesting speeches by several witty and eloquent speakers. So come one, come all, and don't hold back just because the price is a little over 1 ball. A feast of reason and a flow of soul—not speaking of the overflowing bowl.

Tickets can be had of the chairmen of the Third, Fourth and Fifth Divisions.

JUNO.

Oysters in every style at R. A. Driscoll's, North Capitol and G street. Overholt whisky, 10c.

Second Division—Night.

Conlee worked an hour overtime Tuesday and didn't know it until the next day. But that signifies nothing—Conlee served time on the Spess.

John Burns, M. P., says: "The trades unions are living monuments of what thrift, thought, and sober effort have secured for workmen and the nation."

One man in this Division says it is a pleasure for him to pay the special assessment, for although he has carried a card many years, this is his first opportunity of showing his faith by his works. And there are others.

Don't allow the daily papers nor their correspondents from the big shop to frighten you. They are not running the big shop, and it will be several days before Congress adjourns.

This chapel is composed of 38 men, most of whom are from the Spess. However, none are (S)pessimistic, but on the contrary are as cheerful a bunch of idiots as ever worked the hook.

If working nights saves board, and sleeping days saves lodging, we nightmen ought to have a few simoleons when the "upheaval" occurs.

The G. P. O. correspondent of the *Star* is decidedly in favor of all copy being carefully prepared for the machines because "to enable the machine operators to make good speed clear copy is required, as ten minutes spent in deciphering the illegible writing sometimes supplied is equivalent to an hour's time lost by a hand compositor. Strange, isn't it, how greatly exercised some people are over the matter of having machine copy carefully prepared. Had the hand compositor always had the advantage that the machines will have, his work would have appeared to better advantage in contrast with the machine. When the *Star* correspondent is not giving publicity to the Public Printer's innermost thoughts and purposes and advertising typesetting machines, he has time to write some fairly readable items. But please cut out the odious comparisons, brother.

KASKARET.

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Sixth Division.

A. F. Lowe, Merg. 12, was a sufferer last week from tonsilitis.

Ruch C. Johnston, Merg. 14, has purchased a new pair of "tread easy" shoes. But he is not the only one around the shop whose shoes have an easy tread.

They tell me the Chinese visitors took several handfulls of monotype letters away with them for souvenirs. Too bad they couldn't have taken the smell, also.

Mr. Pard Bloomer having indorsed the candidacy of Miss Anna Wilson for I. T. U. Home trustee, that young lady may now proceed to pack her grip and get her railroad ticket.

Mr. Pard Bloomer has been presented with a pocket edition of kitchen French. The donor evidently hopes to see an improvement of French words occasionally found in the Flotsam and Jetsam columns.

If all accounts are true of people who suffered from shock on finding the P. P.'s general orders printed on a little slip of paper in their pay envelope, it may be necessary to have Dr. Manning precede the paymaster and exempt those suffering from heart trouble from a similar occurrence.

Wallace Brewer, of the First Division, is entitled to something, either a gold medal or a chunk of hard cash from the Carnegie Hero Fund. With the thermometer almost to zero he came to work on Tuesday wearing a straw hat. He knew it was cold, for he wore a heavy overcoat and large muffler, but until he found himself the center of attraction in a crowded street car, did not know that he was wearing the old straw hat he used around the house in doing the chores. He lost no time, however, after the discovery, in breaking into a general store near the Office and supplying himself with a warmer top-piece.

Having heard a number of inquiries lately as to whether or not the Entertainment Committee of No. 101 would give the annual concert this year, I inquired of the committee's chairman, Thos. L. Jones, if there was anything doing at present in that line. Mr. Jones tells me the committee has given the subject careful consideration and reached the conclusion that there is too much other business on hand this year to carry out the plans necessary for a successful entertainment. No one will question the good judgment of the committee on this matter, but many will regret the deprivation of hearing a first-class musical concert given by Columbia Union's most talented artists.

Union politics is beginning to warm up. Its the one topic of conversation whenever a group of prints get together in sufficient numbers to form a quorum. Naturally the chief interest centres on the presidency of Columbia Union. Will it be "Spadge" Parsons, or Zack Jenkins, Frank Kidd or Chas. Ennis. Parsons men point to his work as chairman of the Eight-hour Committee now conducting the sirike; Jenkins men review his career as a strong union worker, whose past services for union causes entitle him to presidential honors; Kidd's friends point to his work in bringing about successfully the down town scale, while Ennis' partisans point to his years of labor on the Laws Committee. The delegates? Everybody is looked upon with suspicion. Nobody can hand a friend a peanut without a sinister motive is attached thereto. While the fight may be a hot one to represent the G. P. O. quota, most everybody concedes the down-town election to Miss Teresa McDonald, of the *Post*.

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Johnnie Ottinger says he is satisfied no one will accuse him of being a dispenser of compliments and "jolly." Further down the column appears this article:

The other night a large hunk of delicious "taffy" was left on the writer's desk by our esteemed fellow citizen, Frank Smith. As a return in kind I would state that Mr. Smith is a very fine gentleman and a good union man from cellar to garret * * *.

An anxious public breathlessly awaits Mr. Ottinger's classification of the above item.

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Twas the second day of February, and the usual number of hungry printers had gathered 'round the big stones in the rear of the *Record* room awaiting the coming of the caterer. One gentleman had just spread his home-made sandwich with the caterer's choice mustard, while the man from the bindery who eats soup with a knife had provided himself with that implement.

The hour was 12, and an ominous silence pervaded the room. At last the silence was broken.

"I wonder," said a voice, "what it will be to-day? Roast beef and browned potatoes, or fried oysters?"

"We'll have sausage to-day," said Frank Pyne.

"Sausage!" said the voice. "What makes you think we will have sausage? We've never had it yet."

"Well, you see," said Mr. Pyne, "this is ground hog day."

Take that, McFadden!

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In the House of Representatives last week Representative Sibley, of Pennsylvania, stated in a speech that the cost of printing done at the G. P. O. was three and four times greater than the cost for the same work done by private firms. This statement is hardly in accord with the report that work now being done in the G. P. O. for the Panama Canal Commission is being produced much cheaper than was paid for the same work in a down-town shop from which it was taken on account of the strike.

But even so, why do these economical statesmen always refer to the Government Printing Office on such occasions? Do not the same conditions exist in all Departments in a much greater degree than in the G. P. O? Isn't it a fact that a great majority of Department clerks receive 50 per cent more salary from the Government than they would command in the same lines in commercial life?

Not that I would see the Department clerk reduced one red cent, for he is poorly paid as it is, but isn't it a fact that a good stenographer and typewriter in a commercial office will receive from $25 to $40 per month, while in the Government service he starts in at a salary of $75 per month, later receiving $1,200, $1,400 and $1,600 per year.

But those economical gentlemen on the Hill cast not there eyes thitherward. The G. P. O. is the stage upon which they play for the plaudits of their home constituents. Some day, however, their constituents will awake to the fact that these same statesmen are themselves overpaid, and reduce them from $5,000 per year statesmen to their level in commercial life—$10 per week lawyers and professional soft-snap seekers.

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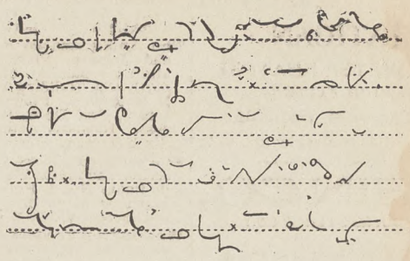
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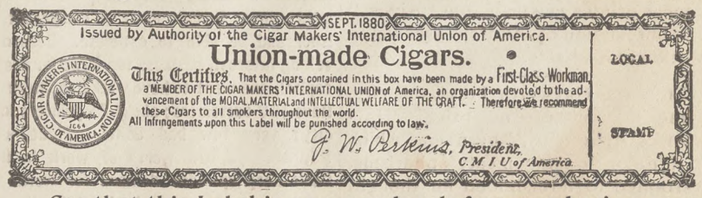

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From the Hayworth Press, this city, comes a miniature magazine, "Hayworth's Aphorisms," by name, which in addition to many meaty aphorisms, warranted to furnish food for thought and contribution to the gayety of the hour, contains a number of articles worthy a more pretentious publication.

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Union Directory.

American Federation of Labor—Headquarters Typographical Temple, 423-425 G street northwest. Sam'l Gompers, President; Frank Morrison, Secretary.

INTERNATIONALS.

International Association of Machinists, Headquarters, rooms 402-407 McGill Building, 908-914 G streets northwest. James O'Connell, president; D. Douglass Wilson, vice-president and editor of the *Journal;* George Preston, Secretary-Treasurer.

Journeymen Stonecutters' Association of North America.—Headquarters, 803 Fifth street northwest. James F. McHugh, General Secretary-Treasurer.

Plate Printers of North America. International Steel and Copper. T. L. Mahan, 319 S street northeast.

LOCAL AUXILIARIES.

Allied Printing Trades Council meets last Thursday in the month at Typographical Temple. Elmer Johnson, Secretary, No. 2009 Flagler street northwest.

Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13, of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101. Mrs. Bert V. Wolfe, president, 235 Massachusetts avenue northwest; Mrs. E. H. Thomas, secretary, The Bertholdt, 128 Maryland avenue southwest. Meets at Typographical Temple first Monday in each month.

STRUCTURAL BUILDING TRADES.

Structural Building Trades Alliance of America, Washington Branch, meets every Tuesday at 8 p. m. Hall No. 3, Costello's Hall, Sixth and G streets northwest. John Pilard, President; James S. O'Hagan, Secretary, 507 S street northwest.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 722 Sixth street northeast.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

Bricklayers, No. 1, meets second and fourth Thursdays in each month at Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. Milford Spohn, Secretary, 1238 Eighth street northwest.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Joseph Hutton, Chairman, 809 F street southwest; H. Burns, Secretary, 1960 Second street northwest; Wm Cronin, 1415 Thirty-sixth street northwest; Timothy Costello, 37 K street northwest; James French, 614 K street southeast.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5, meets every Friday night at 7.30, in Hall 1, Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. George W. Nyman, Secretary, 1253 Eighth street northwest.

Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

Electrotype Molders and Finishers, No. 17, I. S. and E. U. Meets Wonn's Hall, 721 Sixth street northwest, the first Thursday of each month. H. C. Poppe, Secretary-Treasurer.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, Amalgamated, No. 148, meets second and fourth Wednesdays at 922 Pennsylvania avenue n. w. Martin Hellmuth, Secretary, 609 D street southwest.

Plate Printers Union, No. 2, meets on second Sunday in each month at 2.30 p. m., at Typographical Temple, 425 G street northwest. J. Edward Beach, President; J. C. Staats, Secretary, Kensington, Md.

Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Union, No. 11773, meets the first Tuesday in each month at 7.30 p. m., Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. Frank F. Hartwell, Secretary, 810 Twentieth street northwest.

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, First Branch, meets every alternate Monday evening at 610 G street northwest, Building Trades Hall. President, R. R. Rhodes. Financial and Recording Secretary, Fred Hook, 1034 Sixth street northeast. Business Agent, W. F. Gilmore, 624 Sixth street northwest.

Tile Setters Helpers, Local No. 12, meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month in Room No. 3, Building Trades Halls, 624 Sixth street northwest. J. Pettis. Recording Secretary, 3409 N street northwest.

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Installation of Officers.

The annual installation of officers of the Northeast Council, No. 755, National Union, took place Monday, January 22, at the Northeast Temple. The officers were installed by Friend Hendler, President of the Senate, assisted by the officers of the Cabinet. The following are the officers who were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Mark Barnum, Jr.; Vice-President, N. S. Kenworthy; Speaker, Stephen M. Simpson; Vice-President, James A. Healy; Financial Secretary, Frank M. Hatley; Secretary, H. S. Jenkins; Seargent-at-Arms, J. S. Maddox; Usher, J. Beantley; Chaplain, Z. T. Jenkins; Treasurer, Jas R. Carver; Doorkeeper, H. H. Baldwin.

Refreshments were served after the officers were installed. Friend Miller, of State, War and Navy Council, delivered an eloquent address.

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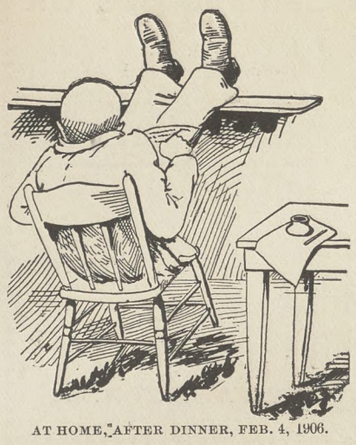

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Home, after all, is the best place of all for all who prefer it.

We never could get a real good picture—a fault of the artist.

Gray hairs are honorable, and are generally preferred to no hairs.

Don't make sport of the bald head; you might be one yourself some day.

The doctors advise that the head be kept cool and that the feet be kept dry.

In making home happy, furniture isn't everything no more than everything isn't furniture.

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Mary has one little lamb,
And now she wants another,
Because, she says, the one she has
Is anxious for a brother.

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Every day confirms the oft-expressed opinion that self-respecting printers need only a brief experience to lead them to seek those conditions which do not obtain in rat establishments.

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It is a pleasure to note that all the eight-hour offices are running full time with lots of copy in hand and on the hook, and that the others are running only after a fashion or in any old way.

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Lest we forget, it is well to bear in mind the fact that THE TRADES UNIONIST was the first of the publishing houses of the District of Columbia to inaugurate the eight-hour office, thus early recognizing a principle which needed no assurance of good faith by a binding contract.

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In the drawings above illustrated, Figure 1 is a rear view of a man, but not fully shown. Fig. 2 is a chair of plain ordinary construction. Fig. 3 is a table, if anyone should ask, and Fig. 4 is a receptacle containing several splashes of writing-fluid, all of which will henceforth be made to appear on all regular or sundry occasions.

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One of the benefits of the present contest for the universal eight-hour day will be the thorough unmasking of those who all along have had it in their hearts to deal a treacherous blow while at the same time claiming and receiving all the benefits that a clear union card insures. One of these days these treacherous fellows will be knocking at the door of the Union for readmission, and they will get it—in that particular part of their anatomy known as the neck; one of these days they will crave the presence of friends sent to bear fraternal regard and material assistance to cheer in seasons of sickness or misfortune; one of these days they will answer the dread summons and will depart unhonored and unmourned by those who will remember them only for their record of conspicuous treachery.

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The printers of this country were placed under a debt of lasting gratitude to President Harrison at the time his signature was attached to the bill legalizing and establishing the Government eight-hour day. While by some Mr. Harrison was regarded as something of an aristocrat, it is more than probable that the impression first found form and was encouraged by political schemers who sought to use him in furthering measures of doubtful propriety, and by refusing these he incurred their everlasting displeasure. But whatever else may be charged, Gen. Harrison was neither an officious jumping-jack nor an artful demagogue. It is fortunate that the eight-hour measure was brought to a successful conclusion with Harrison as President, and that is all that need now be said, except to remark in passing that during his administration the Temple or home of Columbia Union, No. 101, was dedicated. It was on this occasion that President Harrison vouchsafed his presence and spoke words of encouragment and praise of the Temple, which was to stand as a monument to the concerted efforts of Union printers. These are things worth remembering. I believe that our fellow-craftsman, Mr. E. W. Oyster, was present when the eight-hour bill was signed, and that he received from the hands of the President the pen he used in signing.

CYCLE.

DOWN-TOWN, BY THE WAY.

President John Berg is a daily visitor at strike headquarters.

Machine subs are plentiful, but all are getting pie tickets.

Ed Owens, striker, is the father of an eight-hour advocate.

To injunct or not to injunct is the question, but eight hours is the cry just the same.

Mr. F. C. Roberts, of Columbia, No. 101, gave the boys a first class talk on Thursday of last week. His theme was "The Union Label."

The action of Chicago Typographical Union in endorsing Frank Morrison without opposition for delegate to the A. F. of L. Convention, has been received with approbation by his many friends down-town.

The reporter of the downtown dope sheet who discovered the existence of "several destitute printers because of the strike" ought to take a Turkish bath and a good night's rest. It is a sure thing he needs it.

William Williams, striker, for a number of years assistant foreman at Roberts, has accepted the foremanship of the job department of the Old Dominion Printing Co., at Charlottesville, Va. He has the good luck wishes of many friends.

Eight-hour buttons are much in evidence nowadays. 'Cos why. Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, sent a sufficient number to the boys and their friends to enable them to decorate the lapel of their coats with the insistent slogan, "eight hours."

At the close of the morning roll call, Bela Feeney, better known as "Bab," was by motion tendered a vote of congratulation on having reached the jolly age of 46. This all happened on Tuesday while he was subbing for Bro. Parsons. He acknowledged the compliment of his fellows and—blushed.

On Saturday last Rev. Dr. Kent, of the Peoples' Church, delivered an address to the strikers and their friends. The address was a masterly one, and clearly proves that the doctor is not only a broad student of economics, but a warm friend of those who are making the world better by insisting that eight hours shall constitute a day's labor.

The strike situation down-town is practically unchanged, as far as the men out are concerned. Desertions from the ranks of the "teapot,' print shops are of daily occurrence, and not one union man has sought dishonor. Confidence reigns supreme at strike headquarters, and Mr. T. C. Parsons, chairman of the Eight-Hour Committee, wears a smile that won't come off.

In a letter to a downtowner, Jno. W. Campbell, better known as "Shad," states that the Washingtonians at the Printers' Home are getting along nicely. He mentions them, Miss Shipman, Messrs. Robinson, Dougherty, and Smith, and all are anxious to get news of the strike. He also states that "Dixie" Dunbar, from Georgia and most everywhere else, would like to hear from Bill Brockwell, Esq. Bro. Campbell enclosed in his letter several postcards for distribution among his friends.

YERDEN.

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Frank A. Smith Dead.

Frank A. Smith, a printer, who but recently came from New York City, where he had worked on the *Tribune*, died Monday night at quarantine hospital, his case being diagnosed as that of smallpox. He was taken to an hospital with symptoms of pneumonia, but was subsequently taken to quarantine as a victim of smallpox. His illness was of short duration, being but a day after going to the hospital. Burial was arranged for by Secretary Seibold, of Columbia Typographical Union. The deceased had lived in Michigan.

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Sunday Closing Bill Indorsed—Address of President Gompers Warmly Applauded—International Labels Illustrated and Explained—An Appreciative Audience.

President Adams called the meeting to order at 7.30 p. m. on Monday, and stated that owing to the lecture that would follow the meeting it would be necessary to dispose of only urgent business.

The regular order of business was dispensed with and Delegate Digney, from Painters Union, No. 368, presented a copy of bill H. R. No. 10071, now before Congress, and on motion it was referred to the Legislative Committee.

Delegate Manning, from Retail Clerks Union, No. 262, presented the following resolution, which was indorsed unanimously:

Whereas there has been introduced in the House of Representatives of the United States a bill (H. R. No. 10510) to further protect the first day of the week as a day of rest in the District of Columbia, which, according to the usual custom has been referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia and the Board of Commissioners; and

Whereas at the public hearing on said bill held Thursday, February 8, 1906, there was presented strenuous arguments and opposition against the endorsement of this measure on the grounds that this "Sunday rest" was not asked for nor desired by the laboring men and women of the District of Columbia, but that it was, on the contrary, a purely religious measure introduced for the sole purpose of restricting religious liberty; therefore be it

Resolved, By the Central Labor Union of the District of Columbia, consisting of four hundred duly accredited delegates of all colors, nationalities, and religious beliefs representing eighty organizations, aggregating a membership of more than 20,000 residents of the District of Columbia, that we heartily endorse this bill (H. R. No. 10510) and urge the honorable Commissioners to favorably recommend the same and use their best efforts to secure its enactment as a law; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions, under the seal of this organization, be forwarded to the Commissioners for the District of Columbia.

THE LECTURE.

President Samuel Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, delivered a splendid lecture on the need of organization, eloquently portraying the advance made through organization, and urged his hearers to keep up the fight and help individually in their unions and as representatives in the Central Body.

The speaker was interrupted frequently by applause as he made telling points in his address.

He said in part:

Ours is a rough struggle, but we see in the rough struggle a nobility of purpose transcending any other movement in the history of man. All noble efforts are rough struggles. From our civil war to the sympathetic strife of the American people for the independence of Cuba all worthy efforts of the people were rough struggles.

Conditions of misery, poverty and depravity among the great masses of men require rough struggles for their alleviation.

The labor movement protests against the doctrine that there is some proprietary right in the employer to the labor of employes. To those who entertain this belief I would say: "You have started too late." Nowadays the workers, the wealth producers, have attained some information, enough to know the meaning of right and wrong, of justice and injustice, of bondage and liberty and humanity. And, having conceived the meaning of these words, they have determined to enthrone the right and root out the wrong. Those who advocated the doctrine I have mentioned should have begun with our grandfathers; now they are too late.

In the so-called "good old times," when the workman had but few tools, which he owned himself, and was in a position where he could move from one employer's service to that of another as he chose, things were different. Now, with the classification and subclassification of industry, with machines making machines, a workman on entering any plant becomes a mere atom in the industrial hive. To meet these modern industrial conditions labor unions have originated and grown. Did workmen not associate themselves with other workmen they would now, in an industrial sense, wholly lose their individuality.

Organization is the order of the day in all phases of life. This great country is one mighty union. The civil war was but a great strike wherein the strikers, after a hard struggle, were not permitted to get out. And now, he added, there are none who desire to get out less than those who then made the attempt.

Not only traders, but professionals have their unions. They have their unions and their codes of ethics. Did you ever hear of a self-respecting physician taking another physician's job? The lawyers call their union the bar association, evidently believing that it sounds prettier. Haven't they their apprenticeship? They call it their student life, evidently under the impression that it sounds prettier.

If one were to attempt to defend a prisoner at the bar the judge, acting as the walking delegate, would ask him if he had his union card. The judge wouldn't put it that way, but he would ask the man if he had his diploma, and if he didn't he wouldn't be permitted to work in that lawyer's shop.

Even the ministers have their unions. Every clergyman belongs to some ministerial union or else he is branded as a heretic. They all have their code and we have ours. One of the cardinal rules of our code of ethics is "Thy shalt not take thy neighbor's job."

Ours is no trust. We throw wide open the doors and invite the world of working people to enter.

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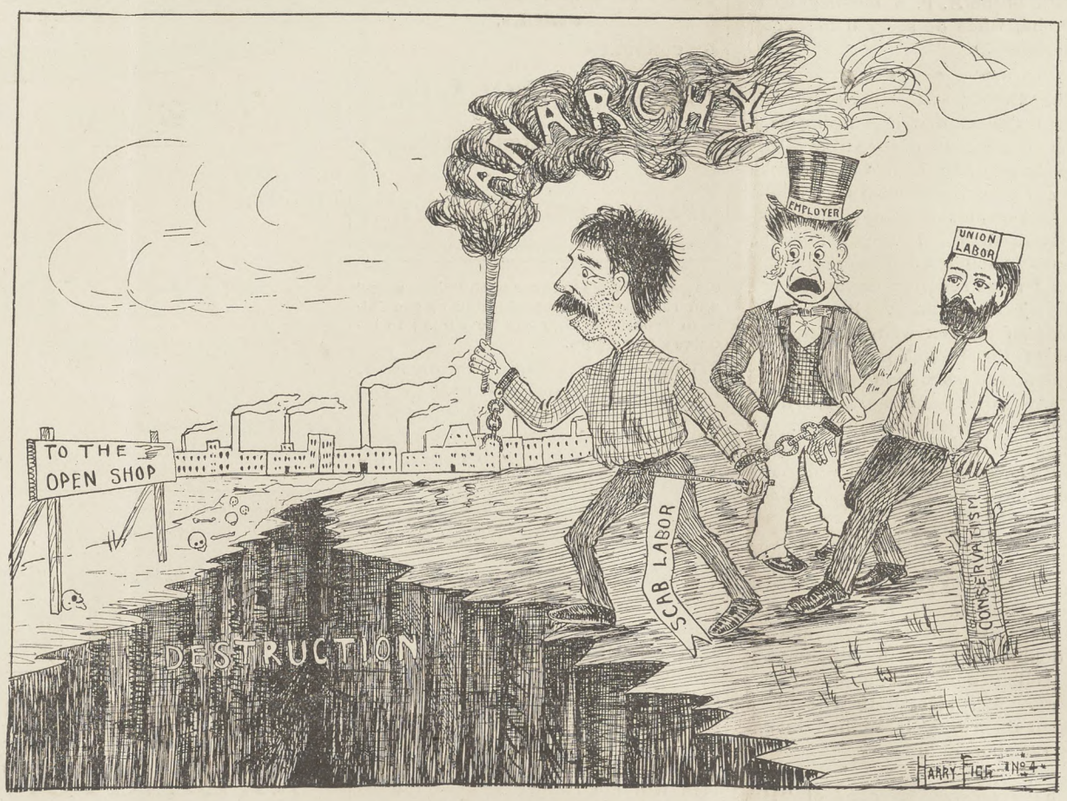
On the question of strikes I will say a word, because like the poor, we have them with us nearly always. We strike because we have to, not because we wish to strike. We recognize that there are some things worse than strikes. We don't want to strike, but realize that unless we reserve the right to strike the employers will do all the striking for us in the shape of longer hours and shorter wages. The better we are prepared to strike the less necessity will we have to indulge in that luxury.

Referring to the present strike of the printers for an eight-hour day, Mr. Gompers said: "Out of the 47,000 members of the International Typographical Union, approximately 43,000 are now working eight-hour days, or less. So when the Typothetae people say they are going to defeat the printers in the fight for the eight-hour day it is simply absurd and out of the question.

In closing, Mr. Gompers said: "We hope to live long enough to help much in the work of saving men and women from the fate of having their bones ground into dollars to satisfy the almost insatiable greed of the modern Molochs."

THE INTERNATIONAL LABELS.

In the absence of Mr. Eichelberger, who met with an accident some days ago, Mr. Gompers essayed the task of explaining the labels thrown upon the screen, and his efforts were appreciated. The views are well mounted and are at once entertaining and instructive, enough pictures of a humorous nature being introduced to relieve the eye from a too close study of the labels.



THE PARTING OF THE WAYS.

Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13.

At the last meeting of Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13, the following resolution was adopted:

Whereas a bill (H. R. 3748) "relating to the band of the United States Marine Corps, and to competition of naval and military bands with civilian musicians," has been introduced in the House of Representatives by Representative Bartholdt of Missouri; and

Whereas the passage of the aforesaid bill will result in benefit to the civilian musicians of Washington, D. C.; therefore be it

Resolved, That Women's Auxiliary, No. 13, of Columbia Tyyographical Union, No. 101, favors the passage of bill H. R. 3748; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this preamble and resolutions be sent to the committee having the measure in charge, and also published in THE TRADES UNIONIST.

The next regular meeting, and the future meetings, will be held on the third Monday of each month.

We Have Been Threatened.

We have received the following communication from Isaac H. Blanchard, of New York, in which there is a covert threat. Evidently Mr. Blanchard did not like the publicity given his office in the New York *Unionist:*

Some New York rats have sued the New York *Unionist* for $10,000 damages each for printing their names on a "roll of dishonor." If becoming a rat does not entitle a printer to a position on the "roll of dishonor" nothing could, though if we wait long enough such a man will show in other ways his criminal instincts and total lack of honor.—*Washington Trades Unionist.*

NEW YORK, *February 12, 1906.*

The Trades Unionist, Washington, D. C.

GENTLEMEN:—The *Unionist* of this city prints a clipping from your paper which I have cut out and attached to this letter. If you have the courage of your convictions why don't you reprint a facsimile of the matter which caused these suits to be brought.

I personally invite you to be a man and either fight or shut up; don't be a baby and disseminate "hot air" of the style shown in the clipping.

Some of these gentlemen named in that document have business connections in your city, and I assure you the publication of this libellous matter in your city by your sheet will meet with immediate prosecution.

NOW GO AHEAD AND PUBLISH IT.

Yours, very truly,

ISAAC H. BLANCHARD.

IHB-FES.

Capital Social Science Club.

The Capital Social Science Club will hold an interesting meeting to-night at the Public Library (east study, second floor), the topic for discussion being, "The Injunction." Will E. Soult, the popular printer-lawyer of the Third Division, Government Printing Office, will consider the technical aspects of the question, and Charles W. Pafflow will take the view of the layman with special reference to labor organizations in general and the printers' strike in particular. The public are invited to attend and take part.

Miss Anna C. Wilson Endorsed.

A communication from Charles W Fear says that Kansas City Typographical Union, No. 80, at its regular meeting held February 11, unanimously endorsed Miss Anna C. Wilson of Columbia Union, No. 101, for trustee of the Union Printers' Home, and that Lincoln (Neb.) Typographical Union also endorsed Miss Wilson at its last meeting.

THE HOUSEKEEPER, *published in Minneapolis, Minn., is fighting the Typographical Union and have declared for the "open shop." The company employs none but non-union empoyes. If you are a friend of organized labor, tell your wife, mother and sister that* THE HOUSEKEEPER *is fighting your interests.*

Try oyster pan roast, 10c. Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, North Capitol and G street.

JOTTINGS BY JOHN JOTTINGER.

The following sample of English as she is sometimes wrote came to my attention the other day. It appears to be a "Card of Thanks" sent to an Otsego County newspaper by a woman who recently lost her husband by death. The "Something Doing in the Country" man on the *Post* seems to have overlooked it:

MR. EDITOR: I desire to thank the friends and neighbors most heartily, in this manner, for the united aid and co-operation during the illness and death of my late husband, who escaped from me by the hand of death on Friday last while eating breakfast. To the friends and all who contributed so willingly towards making the last moments and funeral of my husband a success, I desire to remember most kindly, hoping these few lines will find them enjoying the same blessing. I have also a good milch cow and roan gelding horse, 8 years old, which I will sell cheap. God moves in a mysterious way his wonders to perform. He plants his footsteps on the sea and rides upon the storm; also a black and white shote very low.

In the State printing office at Des Moines, Iowa, they have a journeyman paper hanger reading proof. A few samples of his work may be found on page 135 of the February *Typographical Journal.* In these "open-shop" times every bricklayer thinks he can set type, every motorman thinks he can run a web perfecting press, and the employing printer thinks he can fool the public into believing that he is satisfied with that kind of help. Rats!

The Works' union busters brigade is now composed of one Ethiopian, one ornamental church pillar, one mining-stock fakir, and one four-flushing Camp Alger military hero. In one respect, however, they strongly resemble each other: they are all "tight-wads."

It is quite evident from Sonny Gunn's frisky cavortings last week that he hasn't heard from "Texas" Smith for some time.

I notice that one of the Buffalo teapotters also has been compelled to retire to a sanitarium on account of nervous breakdown. Wonder what could have caused it if the "open shop" is so ideal from the employer's point of view.

A gallant young gentleman the other day saved a young lady from drowning in Rock Creek, and but for the fact that her name is Schmidt this might prove the foundation for a nice little romance.

Johnnie Ottinger says he is satisfied no one will accuse him of being a dispenser of compliments and "jolly." Further down the column appears this article:

The other night a large hunk of delicious "taffy" was left on the writer's desk by our esteemed fellow-citizen, Frank Smith. As a return in kind I would state that Mr. Smith is a very fine gentleman and a good union man from cellar to garret * * *.

An anxious public breathlessly awaits Mr. Ottinger's classification of the above item.—*Chas. S. Gunn.*

With the ingenuity of an amateur debater Sonny Gunn quotes just so much as serves his purpose. I very distinctly disclaimed affiliation with the *professional* compliment slingers, at whose head is to be found the genial, good-natured scribe from the Sixth, and as for the classification of the little item that seems to worry him, that was simply "slop," written in imitation of Sonny Gunn's best style. Don't get jealous, Son., it may never occur again.

The comp. had evidently heard of "shreds of learning," and although the author had plainly written "rays of knowledge," the typo man insisted on making it "rags of knowledge." After all, what's the difference?

The Medical Director, it is rumored, in stocking up his little emergency dispensary will lay in a good supply of jag-destroyer.

The fight for railroad-rate regulation seems to hold the attention of the country, and, as usual in such cases, the loudest talk is indulged in by those who never paid a dollar for railroad fare in their lives.

One particular rodent in The Works, besides being a traitor to his union, is an ornamental (?) church pillar, might with profit study these few lines from a treatise on the "Unity of the Church," written over fifteen centuries ago by Thasius Cæcilius Cyprianus. They apply with equal force to men of his class:

Let no one think that they can be good men who leave us. Wind does not take the wheat, nor do storms overthrow the tree that has a solid root to rest on. It is the light straw that the tempest tosses; it is the trees emptied of their strength that the blow of the whirlwind strikes down. These the Apostle John curses and smites, saying: "They went forth from us, but they were not of us, for if they had been of us they would have remained with us."

From which it appears that they had "quitters" even in those days.

Probably when all the evidence in the injunction proceedings is digested by the judge he will find that the "violence" complained of consisted of nothing more than a slightly jagged union man blowing his breath in a strike-breaker's face.

It will probably please Mr. Belcher to note that since the appointment of a force of "inspectors" the boys are more careful about pulling the plug.

In addition to the resolution set forth in Pard Bloomer's column last week I am in favor of printing the name of every traitor in bold, black type and posting it in every chapel of the union. It may not cure the disease, but it might prevent contagion.

The "Road to Wellville," by C. W. Post, is merely a sort of highway to the pockets of the easily duped. There's one reason.

Mr. C. W. Post keeps wiggling around as if he were sitting on a hot union label. There's another reason.

The battered old teapot announces that it is still "standing fast." Now, then, everybody up for another good swift kick at it.

Some day history, written by an unsubsidized pen, will record the fact that the eight-hour law was the least of the reasons for the delay in the construction of the Panama Canal. There's a plumber or two in the woodpile.

An amusing spectacle before the eyes of the world of organized labor is the deserter from his union when he attempts to justify his action. No plea is too flimsy, no straw too frail, to grasp at in his effort to retain at least a shred of the respect which perchance his fellows formerly accorded him. One traitor in particular, misnamed after the king of beasts, seems to have missed his calling, and the world has lost a promising comedian.

He quit us because the policy of labor unions in general does not suit him. The unions have gone beyond their legitimate sphere, he says, and therefore he can not lacerate his conscience by remaining longer with us. From the job of guarding the welfare of its members the labor union has gone out on the highway looking for a capitalist whom it may devour—the poor, self-sacrificing capitalist, who, by divine appointment, is administering the financial affairs of his particular part of the universe in the interest of the men and women (and children) who are wearing out mind and body in creating the wealth of the world. Some one has told this particular deserter that the sole aim of the union to-day is to get the employer by the throat and shake the dollars out of his pocket; and with the credulity of a green farm hand he believes it—or professes to.

No one has ever seen him at a union meeting. No one has ever heard his voice raised against the terrible oppression of the union whose card enabled him to obtain the lucrative job he is now holding. The fear and trembling with which he has watched the downward career of organized labor never found expression in words of advice and warning. Not till he was called upon to yield up fifty cents a week to help win the eight-hour fight did he realize the full enormity of his error in remaining with us.

And so he left us. And while we fain would pause to weep we needs must continue in our headlong career to destruction. We are still yielding up our fifty cents and still closing our eyes to the big briny tears the capitalist is shedding over the ingratitude of an organized army that refuses to see the benevolence behind his every action. And perched on the fence with a few more deserters (with as many different reasons for their position) is this fellow with the tender conscience, awaiting with wide-eyed horror our terrible finish—and incidentally saving his money.

If Miss Anna Wilson is a candidate for trustee of the Home she is overlooking a bet or two. I didn't get a New Year card.

Miss Nellie Shipman has returned from the Printers' Home, greatly improved in health. She praises in the highest terms the Home, its management, and the salubrious climate of Colorado Springs.

Senator Bacon insists that in sending delegates to the Algeciras conference this Government has "entered a powder house." But so long as the sparks only fly in the Senate the country will refuse to lose any sleep over it.

At the risk of being held in contempt of court I rise to remark to the judge who threw the harpoon into Chicago Typographical Union that it will take more than a thousand-dollar fine to Holdom.

If the Medical Director (notice the capitals?) is as good a union man as he is cracked up to be he might call around and prescribe for a few misguided parties with pronounced symptoms of febris rodenticus.

JOHN J. OTTINGER.

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

It was THE TRADES UNIONIST, I believe, suggested the formation of a medical staff in attendance at the big printery, and its readers unite in congratulating the genial Dr. Manning on a deserved promotion.

"I want to make a real complaint," says a lady in my hearing in the *Post* counting-room. "You put the piano coupons on the back of the cartoon. Now, you know, everybody wants the coupons and lots of us save the cartoons."

Librarian Putnam has moved up several pegs in my estimation. In common with those who desire to keep up with the knowledge of the day, I am a frequent visitor to the institution over which he has the honor to preside. One afternoon lately, after waiting for some minutes for an attendant to whom I might make known my wishes, I turned to a gentleman standing near. Neither his hat or overcoat were in sight and I took it he was connected with the establishment. "How about"—my kick began, when he turned and trotted for the desk. A few seconds later an attendant was at either elbow, with, "Mr. Putnam says." Then I realized that the head of the house was not too proud to play messenger boy for his patrons.

H. S. SUTTON.

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FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

While we are discussing people who do not pay their dues, I was very much surprised the other day to hear that a celebrated Spanish War soldier—one who especially distinguished himself last fall in connection with the floral piece presented by his organization to the Acting Public Printer—has paid no dues since last October. As far as I know, the unionism of this man has heretofore been above reproach, but it is now strongly under suspicion. This won't do, son, unless you want to be classed with the two or three who have put themselves outside the pale of decency by positively refusing to pay. A union card will be a more valuable asset hereafter than it ever has been heretofore, as soon as the present clearing-up shower is over, and it is going to cost some people from $50 up to sit into the game again.

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James L. Feeney, an assistant foreman of the G. P. O. bindery, resigned last week—it is said, that he might devote all his time to legislation in the interest of the binders and trades unionism generally. He is president of the Bookbinders' Union and he has always been an earnest union man. He is also a song writer of note.

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It was with pleasure that I heard of the promotion of my friend Dr. W. J. Manning to the position of medical director of the G. P. O., in which he can devote all his time to the medical needs of the employes, instead of having to set type between calls for his services. I knew Dr. Manning in Boston, before he thought of coming to this city and before he had ever had a dream of becoming a physician, as a capable, thorough printer and a man all over. I wish him all success and congratulate the employes on his appointment.

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It is just possible that some of our gentry with long-tailed aspirations will wish next summer that they had the cards they are now refusing to pay for. They will then find that being rats under rat conditions is a very different proposition from being rats under union conditions.

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The Rev. R. H. McKim is a strong advocate of the abolition of Sunday work. But when we remember that the reverend doctor put himself on record as in favor of the eight-hour day and then wrote to the president of the Typothetæ that he was with him in his "fight for liberty," it may well be feared that he is like the Maine candidate for constable—"in favor of the law, but agin its enforcement." Sunday work may be largely decreased—it cannot be entirely abolished—by legislation requiring it to be paid for at double the rates paid for weekday labor. But of course that is not to be thought of by clergymen who "know who support the churches."

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That was a corking cartoon of W. I. Reed's in last week's TRADES UNIONIST. I have been trying to make this young fellow understand for three years that he has a talent that would make him independent of space boxes and keyboards if he would give it half a chance, but some newspaper will have to abduct him and put him to work at caricatures before he will believe it. For instance, the *Star* is in need of a good cartoonist, and I don't believe the *Times* has any at all.

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Miss Nellie Shipman speaks in the highest terms of the Home since her return early in the week. Her only disappointment was that she was not permitted to remain there longer.

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Ignorance of the fact that 1 cent will carry in the mails, to any part of the United States, one copy of the *Congressional Record*, no matter how large, is so general that it seems to me a Christian act to let it be known. A considerable number of copies must have been sent lately, judging from the number that have been stolen from the *Record* readers, my own copy having been "cabbaged" in the first half hour after its receipt on several occasions. But since I have so labeled them in ink there has not been one "Stolen from Bloomer."

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The eight-hour strike is on in fine shape in Boston, according to papers I receive from there, and the union is steadily gaining offices. Last week there were but 152 men out, with the Typothetæ "raking all hell with a fine-toothed comb" for rats. The Teapotters are resorting to the same practice they attempted here—offering union men all sorts of money to go to work for them. The "open shop" curse of that city will be entirely eliminated as the outcome of this strike, for it is to be war *a l'outrance*, as Sonny Gunn, would say. Many of the open shops there have been running with one or two rats until they got in a job of some magnitude, when they sent out for union men. Hereafter when they send for union men they will have to send their rats adrift and "sign up" or lose the job.

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The newspapers said the Typothetæ was in session last Saturday night until 3 o'clock Sunday morning. The Teapotters say they were only going over the books. Common rumor says they were expunging certain entries in their minutes which would not look well if the books were laid before the public.

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Bulletin No. 61 of the Bureau of Labor, which I have received from Commissioner Charles P. Neill, contains "Labor Conditions in Porto Rico" and "Early Organizations of Printers." The latter (about 200 pages) is a complete history of the various organizations of printers, from 1786 to 1866, for the betterment of their conditions, and is written in a very impartial vein by Ethelbert Stewart, who makes his acknowledgments for material to several gentlemen, including the officers of the I. T. U. and "our own Columbia." It should be in the hands of and read by every union printer, and I am under the impression that an application for it to the Commisioner of Labor will bring it.

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Secretary Seibold told me on the occasion of one of my drop-ins early in the week that the Carpet Mechanics' Union had voted $10 to our eight-hour fund and that he had just received a check from August Donath for a month's assessment. With such friends victory is easy.

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If the G. P. O. ever really becomes a rat office—for an "open shop" is always a "rat shop"—you will see the employes getting rat medicine in the shape of reduced pay and long hours with toboggan speed. Being a union office and so having the support of organized labor is all that has secured the advantages existing there, and it doesn't take one-tenth as long to reduce wages as to increase them.

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F. C. Roberts, recently went to Winchester, Va., and organized a typographical union, which is flourishing, with fourteen members, and a demand was made at once for the eight-hour day. The proprietor of the *Evening Star*, a lawyer, at once conceded the demand, but the proprietor of the *News Item*, George F. Norton, a supposed union printer, refused it and dismissed his force of two union men, having previously refused to talk with the organizer on the subject. Norton will be well remembered as being here during the last Benedict administration, and he bid fair to prosper until rheumatism struck him, laming him to such an extent that others were able to furnish reports of the A. P. A. meetings earlier than he, when he seemed to become disheartened.

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The Butterick Company stated in court last week that it is losing $2,500 a week on account of the strike. They also stated that they had had to maintain 400 nonunion men in their building, and had employed vaudeville artists to entertain them. It seems that their "free and independent workmen" are locked in as securely as though they were in the Tombs. Recently the officers of Big Six waited on the manager of the New York *Journal* and asked him to discontinue the Butterick patterns advertisements appearing in all of Mr. Hearst's newspapers. The manager replied that a contract of about $20,000 was involved and that he would have to telegraph Mr. Hearst for permission. The answer immediately came ordering out all of the Buttterick ads. and asking the privilege of contributing $2,000 to No. 6's strike fund. The officers politely declined the offer, saying the membership would no doubt appreciate the gift, but that the Union was well supplied with money. Mr. Hearst then said he wanted them to call on him in case they ran short of funds.

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I have received a copy of "Hayworth's Aphorisms—Not Good to Eat, Absorb," published by A. D. Hayworth, 512 Eighth street northwest, this city. On the cover are the potent legends, "Union Labor—(union label) —Eight Hours." It is a breezy little 16-page monthly magazine, devoting most of its space to suggestions about proper conduct in business and other affairs of life, puncturing frauds and shams (some of them), and generally a free lance. It is easy worth the 50 cents a year that is asked for it.

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Capt. William J. Simmons, for many years superintendent of the paper rooms of the G. P. O., died last Sunday night, at his residence, 52 Q street northwest. He was a soldier during the rebellion and for fifteen years thereafter was superintendent of the Senate folding room. He was very popular with those with whom he came in contact in the office and was somewhat celebrated as a wonderfully fine penman. He was in his sixty-fifth year. The interment was at Arlington.

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The new order requiring all employes of the G, P. O. to be within the office within two minutes after the whistle blows does not occur to me as a particularly onerous one or as dishing up peculiar hardships, especially when provision is made stating reasons for tardiness and offering excuse. The orders at the Bureau of Engraving and Printiug and at the Naval Gun Factory are much more rigid in their requirements, I am told.

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Many are the compliments I have heard showered on the last number of the *Typographical Journal*, and the membership seems to be only now awakening to the fact that we have a great editor in Secretary-Treasurer John W. Bramwood. I have known it a long time, but it takes years for even large facts to sink into all heads. Many who heretofore have regarded the *Journal* as a mere recital of dry official information, not having investigated it, now devour it from cover to cover and then begin to get ready to look forward to the next issue.

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It looks to me as though Sonny Gunn is drawing on the intellectuality of little Sonny O. J. R. Gunn.

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Indorsement of our claim that the competent printers are members of the union and that the rats are notoriously incompetent was hardly to be expected from a bankers' paper, but we have it. The *Chicago Banker*, published by Harry Wilkinson and printed by the R. R. Donnelley & Sons Company, of Chicago, a noted Typothetæ rat shop, last week contained an editorial reading as follows:

> The nonunion gentlemen who are getting out the *Chicago Banker* have developed an amazing facility for mixing up banks and bankers in the columns of this publication. In last week's issue they remade the financial map of Minneapolis and St. Paul, in which some of the best bankers of the Twin Cities were shifted about like so many men on a chess board. It is supposed that bankers generally are in favor of the "open shop" and that pending its adoption by the Chicago Typothetæ they will be willing to indulge a few errors.

This really conveys no information, for everybody knows that bankers as a rule favor the "open shop" and all other means of crushing trades unions. I think I have correctly defined the "open shop" idea in the mind of the employer as obtaining union skill under scab conditions.

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Did you ever know a nonunionist, whether one who became so by refusing to pay his dues, by persistent and frequent ratting, or by refusal to become a member of a union, who did not have a crooked streak in him? If you think you did, look him over again and you will find it. A man who is not honest with his fellow-workmen will not be honest even toward his own family, much less the rest of mankind, and especially his employer. The rat employer oppresses and underpays his rats, and they retaliate by stealing him blind and ruining his material. Unionism is honesty; scabbery is scoundrelism in every form.

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The following are the known candidates so far:

President: James M. Lynch, of Syracuse, N. Y. (for re-election).

First Vice-President: John W. Hays, of Minneapolis, Minn. (for re-election).

Secretary-Treasurer: John W. Bramwood, of Denver, Colo. (for re-election).

Delegates to the American Federation of Labor: Frank Morrison, of Chicago (for re-election; present Secretary A. F. of L.); Frank Keyes Foster, of Boston (for re-election; delegate to the British Trades Congress); Hugh Stevenson, of Toronto, Canada; H. J. Gottlob, of Newark, N. J. (Four to be elected.)

Trustees Union Printers' Home: P. M. Draper, of Ottawa, Canada; John Armstrong, of Toronto, Canada (ex-President I. T. U.); T. D. Fennessy, of Los Angeles, Cal.; L. C. Shepard, of Grand Rapids, Mich. (for re-election); Thomas F. Crowley, of Cincinnati, Ohio (for re-election); Herbert W. Cooke, of Boston, Mass.; W. J. White, of San Francisco, Cal. (for re-election); Miss Anna C. Wilson, of Washington, D C.; W. A. Wright, of Dallas, Texas. (Four to be elected).

Except for Home Trustees, it looks as though everybody who wants an office will get one, which makes the most satisfactory and entirely agreeable election that can be imagined.

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Mayor Bookwalter, of Indianapolis, a printer, has offended the printers and other trades unionists of that city by appointing a Parryite lawyer city attorney, though he owed his election to their unanimous indorsement. Give him political death. It is our fate to be bit sometimes. It is even said that Injunction Judge Holdom, of Chicago, first obtained office through the friendship of organized labor. See that neither of them ever holds elective office again. Let them look to the masters to whom they have sold themselves for appointive ones.

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The general opposition of professional and clerical (in both senses) gentlemen to trades unionism is probably based on the unselfish idea that in order to maintain their own lofty positions it is necessary to keep everybody else down.

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At the meeting of Columbia Union next Sunday nominations will be made for International officers. Candidates for President and Secretary-Treasurer, to be entitled to places on the ticket, must be indorsed by at least thirty unions; candidates for other offices except those allotted to the allied crafts must have ten indorsers; candidates for officers allotted to the allied crafts must have five indorsers. Except a bunch who want to be Trustees of the Home, I have no information of opposition to the present incumbents. (I insist that "present incumbents" is good, for there are "former incumbents" and those who hope to be "future incumbents," Mr. Bill Leeper, and I find in the I. T. U. By-Laws the expression "original incumbent.")

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I have received a letter (second hand) from W. T. ("Shanty") House, who is located at the Soldiers' Home in Los Angeles County, Cal., the postoffice of which, he insists, is not Santa Monica. He takes a furlough occasionally and goes off on a tour confined to a "kite-shaped track," comprising Ocean Park, Redondo, San Pedro, Long Beach, Fullerton, Anaheim, Santa Ana, Riverside, Redlands, San Bernardino, Ontario, Pomona, Pasadena, Los Angeles, and back to the Home. He says he is too old to do the hobo act any more. There are many here yet who will remember him in old "Botany Bay" and many others who have known him at other places. He is the same old light-hearted "Shanty," judging from the breezy tone of his letter.

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Harry B. Sweeney is now doing stunts at the Manhattan print shop.

Oh, yes; there was something said a few days ago about an injunction, but—.

W. G. Dorsey, striker, has gone to Winchester, Va., to rusticate and print some.

W. A. Kelly is putting in a few eight-hour days at the Interstate, at the rate of $3 per.

Norton Darlington, of Topeka, Kan., left Washington this week for Charlottesville, Va.

T. A. Williams, striker, from Wilkins' shop, has gone to Scranton, Pa., to visit relatives.

Harry Rowe, who came out of Howard's for eight hours, is now working in the *Times* ad. alley.

J. M. Sutton, striker, has gone to Pinehurst, N. C., to visit friends until the "cruel" war is over.

Many favorable comments about the illustrated lecture given by the Central Labor Union Monday evening were heard at strike headquarters. Hope there will be more.

O. E. Crowson, of Statesville, N. C., has returned home after a brief visit among Washington printers.

Daniel Leslie McVickers has accepted a position with the Interstate Printing Co. operating a Merg.

F. C. Roberts, who went to Winchester, Va., to organize a union, has returned home. His was a successful mission.

The cartoon in last week's TRADES UNIONIST was pronounced "all to the good" by the boys at strike headquarters; so it was.

There is a rumor to the effect that a few of those things that accumulate on sheep arrived in town last week—and departed also.

Rev. Mr. Bagby, of the Ninth Street (N. E.) Christian Church, delivered a first-class address at strike headquarters Saturday afternoon.

"Bab" Feeney, the Chesterfield of the striking printers, is out in a new suit of clothing. He denies that his acquirement of the same was on account of an invitation to attend the wedding at the White House Saturday coming.

Harry Feidler, of Baltimore, who has been sojourning in the South for several months, dropped into Washington for a few hours Monday night, to chat with his many friends. He also attended the illustrated lecture of the Central Labor Union. He is in Baltimore now telling the boys over there how nice it is to work eight hours.

The strike situation remains practically unchanged. The "teapotters" are making no progress, while the prints are serene and confident. No deserters from the ranks of those who believe that eight hours is enough for an honest day's work is eloquent testimony of steadfast loyalty of the men now engaged in the struggle for an eight hour day—the most important feature of the labor movement to-day—and Chairman T. C. Parsons wears the smile that won't come off.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Second Division—Night.

If you didn't see it in the *Star* it never happened.

Endeavor to look pleasant when the medicine man asks to see your tongue.

After a six dollar space writer has interviewed a member of the Rumor Committee there is something doing.

The Teapotters are said to be holding all-night sessions. Evidently they are working twenty-four hours a day and doing as they darn please the rest of the time.

Harry Halliday is a good carpenter as well as a good printer, but it's ten to one he couldn't make tight joints with the type in his ten-point case after the night man distributed a page of small pica by mistake one morning last week.

An old colored man remarked that he was in greater fear of shipwreck than of railroad smash-ups, for in the former, "Whar is you?" but in the latter, "Dar you is." Employes of the old printing office building may derive comfort from the old darkey's philosophy, for building experts have recently stated substantially that although the building may not be what it is "cracked" up to be, yet even though the walls should collapse the floors will remain intact, and "Dar you is."

KASKARET.

Sixth Division.

Having performed its work so successfully during the past few days, the Rumor Committee will undoubtedly have no opposition at the coming election.

I saw John B. Dickman the other day for the first time since he underwent a severe operation for brain trouble. Mr. Dickman was wearing a full beard and appears to have gained much in avoirdupois since the operation.

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Whenever I hear a fellow kicking because of the promotion of this or that man the logical words of that prince of floor polishers, Simon Pocher, of the First Division, comes to my memory. We were discussing one day promotion of a certain gentleman, and on the quiet I told Simon that I did not believe the man had the required amount of brains to fill the bill. (He wasn't a proofreader.)

"Bird," said he, "I don't know but what you'se mighty right." Then after a few moments pause in which he was apparently in deep study he added, "I'se been thinkin' about that, Bird, an' I'm tellin' yo' right now, dat de man who holds de superior position doan always hab de superior mind."

After all, there is considerable consolation in that.

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A little incident happened in the Sixth Division one evening last week which strikes me as most too amusing to keep to myself. To the uninitiated be it known that ten-point mats left out of the magazine will find their way into the six-point magazines when the latter are substituted for the former in making the plant ready for the night force, thus causing much trouble for the *Record* operators, Foreman John R. Berg had delivered an ultimatum, which Assistant L. P. Kenny had passed down the line to us on the day side, to the effect that unless the operators were more careful in the future something was going to happen. One evening after the force of operators had departed and the machinists were making ready for the night force, Machinist Clark confided to me a little bit of information about as follows:

"Say, do you know after all this hubbub about leaving mats one fellow has gone home and and left ten-point mats on his pi board?"

"Is that so. Who is it?" I asked out of mere curiosity.

"I don't know," said Clark. "He's a new man on 28. Came down from No. 1 machine."

"Oh," said I, pausing to think who it was. "Teg-et-hoff."

"Take it off," said Clark. "I did take it off. But it just goes to show that men will forget in spite of orders."

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Every time I see a groop of visitors pass through this Division and hear some gentle voice exclaim that operating a Merg. is just like operating a typewriter, memory goes back to a little incident that happened in a Western town some twelve years ago. Now operating a machine a few years ago was by no means the cinch of to-day. The safety appliances were not so numerous, and when an operator was not dodging hot metal, he was cursing the assembling of mats, etc. In this Western town I speak of one of the operators who worried over the machines until he lost his mind was at work one night when a party of visitors arrived to inspect the Mergs. Things had gone pretty rocky with the aforesaid operator all that evening, but the limit was reached when a lady who was with the party and who had taken up a position directly behind him, made the remark that it was "just like operating a typewriter," at the moment when something happened and the line of mats he was assembling fell to the floor.

Bang, went the shut-off lever, as the operator pushed it in. Then he arose and faced the lady who had made the remark.

"Madam," said he, "you know a h—l of a lot about it, don't you?"

Down the steps he went and out into the middle of the street, where he stood for ten minutes cursing the machine and shaking his fist at the building.

It was the last night he operated the machine, for soon thereafter he found a home in an institution provided by the State for the weak and feeble-minded.

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While the economical statesmen on the Hill are worrying themselves into a frenzied state over the cost of printing in the G. P. O. as compared with similar work done in private concerns, I often wonder why they do not tackle a subject nearer at home and one with which they are undoubtedly more familiar. These economical statesmen are probably more familiar with the fact that for each mile they travel to and from their homes to the Capital they draw from the Government twenty cents, while the rate charged by the railroad is but two and three cents per mile, to say nothing of the pass business.

These economical statesmen are probably aware of the fact that up to date no private establishment has been reported where its employees are furnished with Turkish baths free, such as the Government pays for to those doing service on the Hill.

These economical statesmen are also probably aware of the fact that no one has heard of a private institution so far which allows its chiefs $100 per month for a secretary and then let three or four of them chip in $10 per month each and employ a clerk to do the work of four, pocketing the remaining $90 each.

These economical gentlemen are also probably aware of the fact that up to date no private institution has been reported which furnishes its employes free postage for everything—household goods and live stock included.

These economical statesmen are also probably aware of the fact that no private firm has yet been heard of which furnish its employeswith pocket knives, combs, hand mirrors, razors, whisk brooms, pens, ink, and hundreds of other articles charged up to Uncle Sam for Congressional use.

Of course, these are small matters and are of no interest to home constituents. It merely goes to show, however, that if these gentlemen are so terribly interested in saving money for the country's tax payers by placing the Government Printing Office on a level with private institutions, they might start nearer at home and chose a more familiar subject. CHAS. S. GUNN.

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Specification Notes.

The office cat is on leave.

Tom Collins dropped his moustache.

The Lanstons do not allow us to get out of sorts.

The eight-hour coupons are taken with a relish.

The bottom has dropped out of the lunch-counter.

There is plenty of room in the washroom just now.

This Division is as busy as any gang of wood-sawyers.

Some funny valentines were received, and some not so funny.

Moving time is not included in the list of rumors any more.

We wish the newspapers would stop throwing bouquets at this office.

Everybody got something besides money in their pay-stocking last Monday.

Besides taking care of regular Spess copy the Lanstons are making inroads into Docs. and sich.

The three-minute rule to admonish against tardiness is a good stimulant to those who need it.

An occasional hurried visit from Secretary Seibold is evidence that he is attending strictly to his knitting.

The machine dupes remind one of the good old days of hand composition on morning newspapers, only more so.

George Brandon, of this Division, was apprised by telegram last Sunday of the death of his brother, who resided in Michigan.

Rogers had a strictly business errand to the main office last week, which, without some parley, failed to satisfy the watchman.

The daily noon-hour checker contest warmed up to the point last Monday where an abject apology seemed the only way out of the difficulty.

The intermission between toots will not permit of a full attendance at the West End festivities by members of this Chapel on Saturday next.

A brother-in-law of Henry Spriggs, a laborer of this Division, was among those entombed by accident in a West Virginia coal mine one day last week.

Austin, the bearer of dupes from here to *Record* Clerks' Division, enjoys the distinction of being head and shoulders above a majority of the force.

Messrs. McCann, Fitzgerald, and Montgomery held lucky numbers in the drawing for cigars, fifty in a box; proceeds in aid of Pythian Temple fund.

Mr. Jason Waterman, of the Proof Room, has been selected by the Langdon authorities as speaker at the school exercises on the 21st inst., in commemoration of Washington's birthday.

Those people who have been saving all or a portion of their leave till "later on" are now in a distracted frame of mind since the announcement is made that the leave fund has been exhausted.

Each day and hour the Typehot folks,
Are putting up a bluff.
They know the eight-hour day is right,
But dread to say "enough."

Dan McCarty has received a highly embellished invitation to visit his old Kentucky home. The character of the menu is a temptation which few Kentuckians could resist.

The women of Specification Chapel have been placed on an equal footing with the men by an order which permits both to retire from the building at one and the same time.

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Stood the weary printer, drinking
At the cooler, tin cup clinking;
Saw he—no; they never lag—
On the "Bull-Board," boldly printed,
"Order Three," in black ink tinted:
"Water's good," it plainly hinted—
Printshop's on the waterwag.

Ere the sun had sunk to slumber
Stood he at O'Leary's number
In the comp'ny of a plumber
Tanking in a joyous jag.
Caring not for ill or sorrow:
Neither of the coming morrow;
"Trouble, never never borrow"—
Printshop's on the waterwag.

Daylight comes as well for weary
As for grouch as well as beery,
So to office, walked he, teary
Trying hard the boss to flag.
"Can't work—sick," he sadly stated.
Boss reads Order, newly dated:
"To the Doctor you are slated"—
Printshop's on the waterwag.

In the office, at his knitting,
Catching flies as he is sitting
In a big chair, nicely fitting,
Was the Doctor, reading rag:
"Bad breath symptoms show youv'e binta
"Social fit for nary printa;
"Take you off for rest of winta"—
Printshop's on the waterwag.

"When the breezes, warm, are blowing
"And the lilac leaves are growing
"And the bock beer, sweet, is flowing,
"You can fill a 10-point bag;
"Fill you up the boss with honey—
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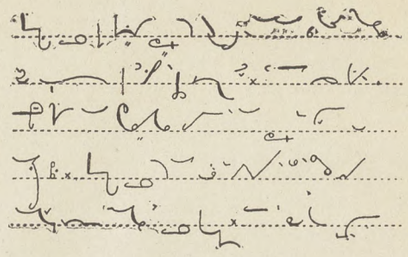

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Charles L. Blanton, special agent in the Treasury Department, where he is in charge of public building improvements, was acquitted at Joplin, Mo., on Wednesday of a charge of complicity to attempt to bribe a Government officer in the selection of a post-office site.

The many friends of Mr. Blanton in the Government Printing Office, where he was at one time employed as a compositor, will be pleased to hear of his acquittal. Among his former fellow-craftmen there was no time during the long months between the charge made and the trial that they doubted his innocence. They only regret that the charge should have been made and in effect cast a cloud over a man whose past had been one of integrity and honesty with his associates.

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TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

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Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

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LEAVES FROM THE PAST.

I presume it is natural that those incidents of the long ago that linger most in one's memory are those wherein we were pleased participants, and in this vein I will to-day revive the event known in history as the annual election of Columbia Union in the year 1874. The event was in itself no more important than elections that had gone before and the many that have succeeded, but to the candidates, of course, it was a momentous occasion. Of the candidates I was one, and my ambition was to be elected a delegate to the convention which in the following June was to convene in Boston. The year was an early season for candidates, and my modesty had been overcome early in the year to the extent of having it made known that Barkis was willing. Up to that year, while the election for all officers other than delegates was held in December, not until Spring were the delegates chosen. Notwithstanding this, it was early in the summer when my friend William L. Schmalhoff waited on me to ascertain whether I would make the race. And he spoke not only for himself but a large number of members who were employed at the Government Printing Office. Gratefully was his invitation accepted, and eagerly I went to work to help myself all that a candidate might. I had a large following down-town, which on several occasions had been placed at the disposal of ambitious friends. These were not unmindful of past favors, and the sky was rosy with the bow of promise for the young man who wanted to go to Boston. But just consider the long period of suspense from early summer of 1874 to the election in the following Spring. And a local election and its possible entanglements lying midway in that period. But that long-headed friend of mine, Mr. W. W. Maloney, thought out an expedient that should shorten the period of suspense. He suggested that we muster our friends in force and amend the constitution so that delegates as well should be chosen in December. And this was determined. Mr. Maloney, then as now had the respect of all who knew him, and where he led the majority was ever glad to follow. The amendment was duly adopted, and in December the candidates for delegate, as well as other aspirants, were given the opportunity to find out, as Tom Sandy expressed it, how many liars there were in Columbia Union. I am glad to be able to say that I did not discover any. There were thirteen candidates for delegate, of whom three were to be chosen, our membership then only entitling us to three. Of course, the vote was bound to be split, and the lowest man, who is now dead, found that, possibly with the inclusion of his own vote, there were just three of our members who considered him the ideal delegate to Boston. The total number of votes cast—mind, this was thirty one years ago—was 444. I headed the poll with 288 votes. A. F. Randolph followed with 172, the late Harry Hickman with 163, and that was the delegation. Ed. Thomas' brother John, I think, was only a few votes behind Hickman, and the rest tapered down to small and smaller figures. It was the first time I had offered myself as a candidate, and I was not a little pleased at the outcome. Down-town stood back of me like a stone wall, but in those early days down-town was not very strong numerically. The scene of this contest was the old Judiciary Law building on Fifth street northwest, opposite the Judiciary Square, its site now being occupied by a large office building.

We had no election by chapels in those days, and I for one regret that the mode of election just described is not in vogue to-day. It brought the membership into closer contact, and to my mind that is an essential aid to that close communion in Unionism that spells success. Isolate the membership, and you will find here and there a chapel that has forgotten all it ever knew of the true meaning of organization. As a result it sometimes happens that an entire chapel will vote itself a record that will be found to stick in the glad days coming when in certain circles Unions will receive more cordial recognition. Let the membership mingle as often as practicable. Mark Labor Day by a turnout that embraces every one who is not ashamed of being a Union printer. Let the elections again be held as in the good old days. Rouse the spirit of Unionism. It will benefit the veterans, and it will do a world of good to the young and untried, who imagine that it hasn't taken many weary years of stern endeavor to achieve what they enjoy.

I suppose this is the proper space in which to note Brother Waudby's claim for the glory that belongs to the "father of the *Craftsman.*" I need hardly say that I would be the last man to rob Brother Waudby of any credit that belongs to him in this or any other endeavor on behalf of the Labor cause. Ever since I have known him, he has been an earnest, a consistent, and an unselfish worker in the cause we both have at heart. I can only repeat that Mr. Briggs caused me to consider the project of creating an official paper, and he secured my promise of co-operation. As it seems to have been Waudby who inoculated Briggs with righteous zeal, so much more glory for "Waud." And if the *Craftsman* had two fathers instead of one, that explains why it was such a lusty baby right from the start.

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Foreman M. A. Lynch is again sick, suffering with an abscess of the throat. His place is temporarily filled by Master Mechanic Bates.

John M. Stees, one of the best boys employed in the Naval Gun Factory, is confined to his bed suffering with heart failure. The best wishes of his comrades are for his early and complete recovery.

Harry P. Cook, leadingman in Secondary Mount Shop, met with a serious accident last Thursday. While superintending the construction of a large torpedo frame it toppled over and crushed Mr. Cook to the floor. While his condition is serious it is not considered fatal.

Under the order of the Navy Department reducing the working force in the steam engineering department a curious sum in arithmetic might be worked out. It beats How Old is Ann? There are two employees in the steam engineering department in this Yard and the order reducing the force 60 per cent is puzzling the office how to obey the order without cutting one of the employees in two. If some of the readers of THE TRADES UNIONIST think the problem is easy just try and work it out.

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The Naval Gun Factory Band, which was organized under the sponsorship of Columbia Lodge, has liquidated all its indebtedness to the Lodge and has been given a clean bill of health. This youngster in musical circles has grown to be a big boy, and feeling its independence has severed its connection with its mother (Columbia Lodge) and now starts out in the world to fight its own battles. The boys of the Band feel confident that when they return from Alexandria on Washington's Birthday they will also bring back the principal prize of $75 offered for the best music furnished in the parade.

The band will give a complimentary ball to the members of Columbia Lodge, their wives and sweethearts, at National Rifles' Hall, on Wednesday, February 21, and on March 13 will give another which they hope will be well patronized by their friends. Tickets can be procured from any member of the band.

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The bowling teams representing the Navy Yard in the Departmental League and composed of members of Columbia Lodge, are heading for the first place in League standing. They are now in second place and in their last set of games they defeated the Interiors, the leaders of the League, two out of three games. When Columbia Lodge starts out to win, somebody will have to hustle to defeat them.

In this connection I will inform the different organizations or private persons that Columbia Lodge of Machinists are now perfecting plans to win one of the principal prizes offered by the *Post.* We understand that it means work, not in an ordinary sense, but hustling work. So get busy, applicants, or you will be hanging on to the rear end of the procession, while Columbia Lodge heads the parade.

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The following correspondence will explain itself:

WALLACE HATCH, 926 F street n. w., Washington, D. C.

DEAR SIR: At the last regular meeting of Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. M., I was instructed to tender to you, Dr. Leech, and the Associated Charities of this city, the unanimous vote of thanks of this lodge for the very instructive lecture given us at our last meeting.

As an evidence of our interest the enclosed check of $100 was voted to the Associated Charities, to be used in their work for the prevention of consumption.

I was also directed to request you to repeat your lecture at some future date, at which time we want to invite our wives and families to be present.

With hearty good wishes for your success in the noble work you have undertaken, I beg to remain,

Yours, respectfully,
(Signed) FRANCIS G. EPPLEY,
Rec. Secy. Columbia Lodge, No. 174.

DEAR MR. EPPLEY: Your very kind letter of February 2, containing check to be used in the interest of the Committee on the Prevention of Consumption, just received.

In addition to the regular acknowledgment which will be sent you by the treasurer I wish to state personally my sincere thanks for the manner in which our lecture was received by your Association.

With the immense amount of work necessary to be done in advancing this campaign I can assure you it is encouraging to receive such hearty thanks as came from your lodge. It will not be overstating the fact when I say that to the Navy Yard men our Associated Charities committees owe very much. The very successful and noteworthy summer outings of the past two seasons and your expressions at this time are surely evidences of a co-operation beneficial to the entire city.

I shall be pleased to repeat the lecture at such time as may be convenient to you.

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

Engineers Union, No. 99, Grievance With Golden & Co. Settled.

WINDOW CLEANERS ADMITTED

By-Laws Committee to Report at Next Meeting—Hod Carriers Fail to Get Action in Department of Agriculture Building Case—Free Lectures to People Indorsed

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. by President Adams, who stated that, owing to an important engagement, he would ask ex-President McCarthy to take the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE.

The Grievance Committee presented a communication from the F. S. Smith Piano Company relative to a request from Piano Workers' International Union regarding a strike in that factory at Brooklyn. Returned to committee for further investigation.

CREDENTIALS.

Electrical Workers, No. 148—A. Stanley Nathanson, R. F. Lafourcade, J. H. Graham, W. McDonald, and H. C. Holliday.

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Steam Fitters, No. 10—Charles E. Allison, vice George Stewart.

Window Cleaners, No. 12020, A. F. of L.—Blaine McCollum, Charles E. Evans, and Robert Foringer.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Erie Typographical Union, No. 77, calling attention to attitude of Erie Lithographing and Printing Company, and giving a list of show firms dealing with that house, and asking that inclosed blanks be filled out and sent to firms named. Request granted.

From Steam Fitters' Union, No. 10, stating that attitude of the Central Labor Union regarding Kernan's and Academy of Music, and Dave Wolf, shoe dealer, had been indorsed, and imposing a fine of $5 on any of its members found patronizing either of those houses.

From W. Tindall, secretary to Commissioners of the District of Columbia, acknowledging receipt of copy of resolution adopted by Central Labor Union favoring proposed Sunday closing law. Placed on file.

From J. H. and S. Ballin, makers of union-label shirts, desiring to assist all the members of organized labor to find union-label shirts. Referred to Label Committee.

From Hod Carriers' Union, No. 21, replying to certain alleged claims that their union attempted to tie up the Abner & Drury brewery job, and asking, in defense of their position, that the letter of the subcontractor on that job be published in the minutes. The request was granted. The communication is as follows:

Mr. CHARLES VOLLAND:

DEAR SIR: In reference to the Abner & Drury building, will state that owing to the stand taken by the Central Labor Union and Hod Carriers Union, No. 21, in refusing to work on this job without I employ them on my other work, I submit that I cannot agree to the proposition, and therefore I shall be obliged to withdraw my estimate on this work, allowing you to do this work yourself and employing your own men and material.

I regret very much that I have to take this course. I can furnish you enough bricklayers for your job when you are ready to start.

Hoping that at some other time I may be at your service, I remain,

Yours, respectfully,

HENRY HULL.

The secretary presented a signed contract from Golden & Co., and on a favorable report from Engineers' Union, No. 99, the contract was indorsed, and Golden & Co. were taken from the unfair list.

At this point in the proceedings Mrs. John Milton Gitterman was granted an audience and spoke on compulsory education bill now pending before Congress, and also called attention to the coming second series of Free Lectures to the People.

Charles Lepper, representing Amalgamated Wood Workers, of Baltimore, was given the privilege of the floor and asked moral support in recognition of Box Makers' Union in this city.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Beer Drivers and Stablemen: Presented a contract for indorsement, which was read, and referred back to the Brewery Workers District Council.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers: Delegate Winslow reported that they had been on strike against the United Steel corporation since August 10, 1905, and the Allied Iron Association since January 1, 1906; that the largest firms and a majority of the other members of the trust had recently signed contracts with the International Association.

Barbers, No. 239: Called attention to several shops in the neighborhood of the Government Printing Office not being fair shops.

Columbia Typographical Union: Delegate Ring, on behalf of his union, extended thanks to Carpet Mechanics Union for moral support and financial assistance given strikers of his union.

Painters: Asked for report of Legislative Committee on bill H. R. 10071, relating to releasing duty on denaturized alcohol, and on favorable report being received from the committee, the bill was indorsed.

Sheet Metal Workers: Called attention to J. Mathy being on the unfair list.

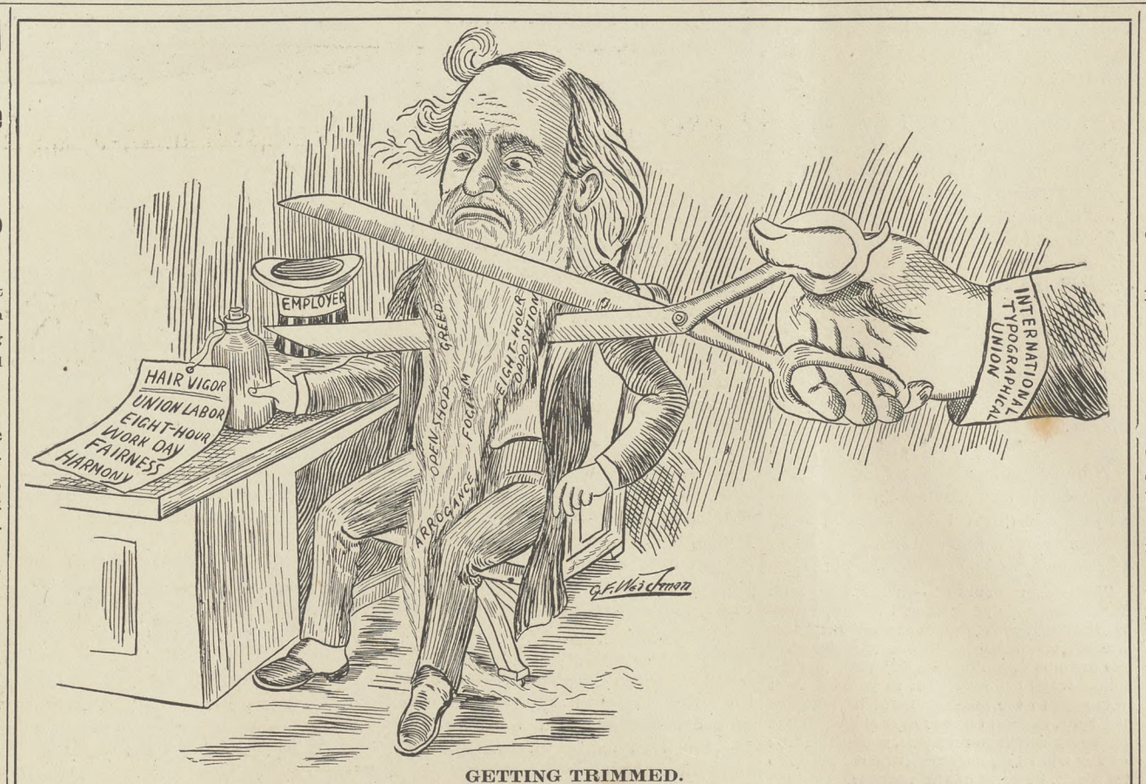
Mill Workers Helpers: Asked that Contract Committee assist them in securing Central Labor Union contracts with mills in this city. Request granted.

Window Cleaners: Asked that a committee be appointed to call on National Window Cleaning Co. and endeavor to secure a contract from them. Request granted, and Delegates DeNedry, McCarthy, and Winslow were appointed on the committee.

The special committee to investigate the difference existing between Hod Carriers Union, No. 21, and the superintendent of work on Department of Agriculture contract, reported that they were unable to accomplish results, and on motion the committee was discharged.

The Committee on Revision of Constitution and By-Laws asked that their report be made the special order of business immediately following reading of minutes at the next meeting. Agreed to.

Adjourned.



GETTING TRIMMED.

COLUMBIA TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION.

ARRIVALS.

S. S. Price, Greenville, S. C.
W. M. Dawson, Pittsburg, Pa.
David MacNeil, Newark, N. J.
H. H. Smith, Denver, Colo.
J. L. Rodier, Philadelphia, Pa.

DEPARTURES.

W. E. McNabb	T. A. Williams
W. J. Gribbin	J. T. Cowen
C. J. Rose, Jr.	Theo. Kelsey
J. C. Wiseman	W. R. Chipley
Victor Showers	J. M. Byrne
E. T. Rigg	J. A. Smith

D. L. McVicar

WITHDRAWN.

J. I. Keefer	J. M. Ramsay
W. J. Dow	John P. Morse

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Brothers E. L. Tucker and John M. Stees, who have been on the sick list, are again at work.

Sunday work has been resumed owing to the rush of work. This does not look like a reduction of the working force in the Naval Gun Factory. Now for "the regular ministerial squeal."

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An apprentice lodge of machinists, formed under the auspices of Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. of M., was instituted on Sunday, February 11, 1906, and will be known hereafter as the Potomac Junior Lodge, No. 17.

A full quota of officers were elected, with William Turner as President. The objects to be sought by this organization are the intellectual advancement and better social conditions of the boys, and to fit them for membership in Columbia Lodge after they have become machinists. It will be in the nature of a school of instruction in all the different phases of the trade, the instructors to be the most capable and efficient craftsmen in the Northern Lodge. I predict a great future for our youngster.

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PANAMA CANAL.

Hitherto I have had serious doubts that this generation would see the completion of the big ditch. But these doubts were removed when I was informed that Captain Reggie De Lancy Persing, of the Yard, had been selected and appointed as Superintendent of Machinery by the Panama Commission. Captain Persing is not only a practical engineer and machinist, but is well versed on all technical and scientific questions that appertain to such a responsible position. As an evidence of appreciation, not only for his ability, but his genial companionship, his friends in E. G. C. shop on last Friday noon invited him to the center of the shop, where he was met by Parson Marstellar, who, in a facetious manner, said: "Captain, you are about to embark on a perilous voyage, and before you reach your destination, or perhaps afterward, you may be beset by ruffians, which may cost you your life. Mark well the advice I am about to give you. Your associations in your new life will be composed of different nationalities. No matter what may happen, 'keep cool.' If you find that you can not build the canal in one year or ten years, 'keep cool.' But if you are a witness to the desecration of that flag, for which your father fought, bled and lived, strike the traitor to his death. If such a thing should occur you will need a solace, a balm of Gilead, which I now present to you in the shape of 'the pipe of peace.' You will observe that it is made of a briarwood, and is handsomely embossed with a gold figure representing the head of a bull dog, which should remind you of those necessary qualifications essential to your new position, viz.: Courage, tenacity and perseverance. Accept it, sir, with the best wishes of your shopmates."

Mr. Harry Reynolds then stepped forward and presented to Captain Persing a certificate which gave him the right to be buried in Monkey Hill Cemetery. Dr. Jake Hengstler followed, giving the Captain good medical advice. J. F. Rankin then sang a solo entitled "When I Am Buried in Monkey Hill."

In response Captain Persing said: "It is true I have been selected to supervise the machinery that will dig the canal. It is also true that I am either going to dig that ditch or my bones will lie in Monkey Hill. It is also true that I recognize that I have many friends in the Naval Gun Factory. It is also true that after receiving such a valuable present, which proves that friendship, I feel that I should remain among you. But my promise has been given. My country demands a sacrifice. I must work out my destiny, which I will do, carrying with me always the flag of my country, and accepting as my guide that beautiful motto, 'In Hoc Signo Vinces.' I thank you one and all."

Captain Persing will sail from New York on Tuesday, the 2d inst.

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On last Wednesday an open meeting of Columbia Lodge of Machinists was held, to which the wives, mothers and sweethearts of the members were invited to listen to the lecture on tuberculosis by Dr. Leach and Mr. Wallace Hatch (repeated by request). Previous to the lecture an address of welcome by ex-President Adams to our visitors was extended, followed by an address on unionism by Prof. A. E. Holder. The vocal and instrumental talent of the Yard gave a vaudeville performance, which was highly appreciated. The Naval Gun Factory Band also rendered valuable assistance to make the evening one of pleasure. After the lecture it was the intention of the committee in charge to have a dance, but this was frustrated by a young lady, who inadvertently remarked that the leader of the band was just too sweet for anything. This remark, overheard by Prof. Moody, who is noted for his bashfulness, settled the dance proposition, as he immediately scooted for the door, followed by the band. We all had a good time, however, and every one enjoyed themselves.

TIM TICKLE.

Case Dismissed.

The case against P. C. Hilton and F. E. Thornberg, striking printers, charged with interfering with "rats" while on picket duty, was dismissed on Wednesday in the Police Court. There was not the slightest kind of a case against them.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll. N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

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COLUMBIA UNION MEETING

Newspaper Scale Committee Holds Members to a Late Hour.

J. L. RODIER DELIVERS ADDRESS

Miss Nellie Shipman Pays a Tribute to the Home—Concession in Book and Job Scale Asked For—The Eight-Hour Committee Makes Report—Meets Again Next Sunday.

The regular monthly meeting of Columbia Typographical Union was called to order at 2.30 p. m. on Sunday by President Berg.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on Membership having reported favorably on applications of J. I. Tomlin, Harry E. Haighey, and F. H. McKevitt for full membership, they were duly elected.

The committee also recommended that Edwin M. Blake be reinstated as an active member. Concurred in.

On application of W. T. Talbott, the committee recommended that he be transferred from the superannuated list to the active list.

On motion, the application of Mr. Talbott was laid over, with instructions that he be communicated with in effort to have him deposit his card in Baltimore Union.

The application of C. F. Dornoff for an extension of six months to complete apprenticeship was considered favorably.

At this time Miss Nellie Shipman was recognized and expressed her gratitude to the Union for the opportunity afforded her to recuperate her health at the Union Printers Home. Miss Shipment paid a glowing tribute to the Home management and expressed the hope that she might again be privileged to return there.

Bills for printing and supplies to the amount of $49.30 were read and ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Columbia Lodge of Machinists pledging support of that organization to the Union in its effort to secure the eight-hour day. Secretary reported that the communication had received suitable acknowledgment.

From Upholsterers Union, pledging support in eight-hour fight. Secretary reported having sent suitable acknowledgment.

From Carpet Mechanics Union, forwarding $10 to assist in fight for eight hours. Acknowleged with thanks.

From American Federation of Labor, transmitting a letter from President Lynch, suggesting the appointment of a committee to co-operate with the Legislative Committee of the American Federation of Labor for the purpose of opposing certain bills before Congress. On motion, recommendation was concurred in.

From Bakers Union, No. 118, forwarding circulars and asking for moral support in bringing unfair firms in line.

From John D. Mets, jr., presenting application for admission to Union Printers Home. The committee having reported favorably, the application was indorsed.

From George H. Judd, of Judd & Detweiler Co., asking for concessions in the scale. Referred to Business and Laws Committees of the Union.

The Secretary began to read letters from the Evening Star Company, but objection being made, the reading was deferred until the report of the Newspaper Scale Committee was presented.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Laws Committee, having under consideration the question referred to it as to the status of an employing printer working in the composing room, the committee decided that it was optional with the employer whether he retained his membership in the Union. The decision was sustained by the Union.

Mr. Kreiter, by unanimous consent, withdrew amendment proposed by him at the January meeting.

The Grievance Committee presented a report recommending that W. S. Jenks, stove and supply dealer, 715 Seventh street northwest, be placed on the unfair list. The report was concurred in.

The Newspaper Scale Committee, through its chairman, made a verbal statement of the progress made by the committee, and called for the reading of correspondence between the Evening Star Company and the union. After a prolonged discussion and reading of letters the union, on request of the President, expunged from the minutes the resolution adopted at the January meeting, and on motion of Mr. Kreiter a vote of confidence was tendered the committee, and a letter from the Evening Star Company, objected to by the chairman of the committee, was stricken from the record.

The special committee appointed by the union to wait on the Public Printer relative to violation of eight-hour law in the Government Printing Office reported progress.

Mr. Parsons, from Eight-Hour Committee, reported all conditions favorable to bringing about a settlement of the strike.

NEW BUSINESS.

A resolution was introduced condemning the attitude of the Methodist Book Concern in declaring for the open shop. On motion it was referred to the Eight-Hour Committee.

James L. Rodier addressed the union on conditions in Philadelphia, and made an earnest appeal to the members to buy none but union-label goods.

Adjourned until Sunday, February 25, at 2:30 p. m.

Hod Carriers Union, No. 21.

Hod Carriers and Building Laborers, No. 21, held their regular meeting on the 19th inst. The principal business was the nomination of walking delegate, which election takes place the first Monday night in March.

Moses Peyton, who has acted in that capacity for more than three years, informed the Union that he would not be a candidate, but assured the Union he would still be in the movement as special organizer, as he was recently elected Fifth Vice-President at the National Convention, and appointed special organizer for the cities of Washington, D. C., Baltimore, and Annapolis, Md. He said if he succeeds along that line he will have done his little mite. He will begin this about May.

Local No. 21 has decided to hold special meetings on the first and third Thursday nights of each month, beginning in March, for the purpose of more thoroughly organizing the building laborers of this city. Both Union and nonunion men are invited, also visitors in other walks of life.

The first Monday night in March will be devoted to reading the entire report and trip of the delegates to the national convention. A good attendance is expected.

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We hail the day that marks the birth
Of Washington, the hero grand,
A man of State, a warrior bold,
Born in historic Westmoreland.

Childhood he spent 'mid rustic scenes,
The precepts his good mother gave
Were cherished as he grew in years
And strengthened him our land to save.

From youth to manhood he was reared
The pride and glory of his home;
To serve his State with ready will,
Concluded in the West to roam.

Virginia's brilliant son was he,
Destined the tyrant's yoke to break;
In after years through blood and steel
He made the throne of England quake.

The stars and stripes he planted firm
An infant in its ruddy glee;
He hurled the foreign legions back
Before the Banner of the Free.

There followed him in those dark days
Brave patriots at their country's call;
The North and South fought side by side—
Compelled the British yoke to fall.

The closing scenes of vict'ry came
Down in colonial old Yorktown,
Where Lafayette's allies firmly stood
With Washington, of great renown.

The father of his country, great,
In war and peace, forever blest;
His fame and honor still endure
Though in his tomb of final rest.

JAS. M MONTGOMERY.

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FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

A recent dispatch from Cincinnati says that at a meeting of the Methodist editors, publishers, and managers of the United States, held in that city, it was decided that every printing establishment controlled by the Methodist Book Concern shall hereafter be run on the "open shop" plan, making no distinction between union and non-union workers.

This is really laughable to one who knows the history of the Methodist Book Concern in particular and religous houses generally, though not invariably. The only times when the several Methodist Book Concerns have not been rat concerns have been when they could not help themselves, and that will be their future history. Especially has that been true of the Cincinnati shop, and during the times that it has been conducted as a union office advantage was taken of the men on every occasion possible. Forgetting the teachings of the Master, if there was a possibility of reducing the wages of the compositors in measuring their type it was never overlooked; nor was any other opportunity to get the best of their employees neglected.

The Methodist Book Concerns will not be conducted as "open shops," under the principles decided upon by I. T. U. They will be union offices or they will be straight-out rat shops..

If any good Methodist brother feels like swelling up over this, it may be well for him to know that I was "brung up" in the Methodist Church myself and am as much one of its proprietors as he is.

However, there is never a cloud without a silver lining, and this paragraph, bearing on the Methodist Book Concern in New York, shows that not all Methodist ministers are inoculated with the "open shop" virus:

Among the Methodist Book Concern strikers are four ordained clergymen of the Methodist church, who do their turn at picket duty and are eager in their unionism. This is perhaps one of the oddest features in this strike, a church-owned printing office struck by its own clergymen. The reverend gentlemen will doubtless see to it that the next conference of the M. E. Church takes official cognizance of the situation. Meantime they are priestly soldiers of unionism.

It is unfortunate that the "more eminent" divines of this church, those who manage its business of printing books, have taken the stand to refuse justice to those who toil, but it is gratifying to find these cases of fairness in the desert of Mammon worshippers. To convert the leaders of a church to the principles of true Christianity is the hardest task set for our endeavor.

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College degrees can be earned in less time and with infinitely less expenditure of effort than a good trade can be learned; yet it horrifies some to think of a printer receiving as much or more after years of pursuit of his trade as a college-bred man does in his apprenticeship of application.

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It is with pleasure that I am able to state that the Spanish war hero of whom I spoke last week—as I did not name him then, I need not now—has "come across" with his dues and is once more clear of the books. It is but fair to him to state that he has lately incurred great expense and lost much time by reason of illness. The union is not disposed to crowd any man for his dues if he is unable to pay from such causes, but has no patience with the member who alleges that he or she cannot *afford* to pay. As the union, and it alone, has provided the generous wages paid by the Government, its members feel that the small amount required for the union's maintenance should have preference over any other indebtedness.

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The workingman who opposes the eight-hour day (thank God, they are few) ought to have sense enough to realize that the daily wage is never based on the number of hours worked, and if he is an overtime hog he ought to realize that the shorter the regular day the more chance he will have of indulging his porcine predilection.

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At a recent meeting of the Illinois Woman Suffrage Association it was decided to continue the use of the union label on all literature. Mrs. Mary K. O'Sullivan was introduced as a woman who had done much for the cause of organized labor among women, having herself gone to work in a printing office when only fourteen years old. A report of her speech says:

"I feel far ahead of most of you in your fight for the ballot, for I have voted already," she said. She then told of the time she happened to be on the floor of the Illinois Legislature when State Senator Connell left his seat just as a bill was to be voted for.

"When his name was called I just said 'No,' and the teller called the next name, without pausing. The bill was lost. It was a bad bill, and I had the honor not only of working for its defeat, but finally casting a ballot which helped."

She then told of her work in the Legislature of Illinois, and she did not hesitate about calling it "lobbying." "Once a man threatened to have me put off the floor, but I told him if he had me put out I would see that the lobbyists there representing the corporations were put out too. He decided not to interfere with me."

She gave a realistic account of her work as a picket at a strike in a rubber factory in Boston. She said that if women had the ballot they could fight their economic fights more successfully.

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Percy J. Eckels, formerly an employee of the Foundry, died recently in the Government Hospital for the Insane (St. Elizabeth's), where he had been for three or four years. For months before his death he was unable to recognize anyone. I am under the impression that his trouble was softening of the brain.

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William R. Chipley, according to my advices, has thrown up his temporary job to go as printer at an Indian school somewhere in Arizona, where the compensation is only $720 per annum, he to pay his own expenses. That is not much money in a country where they look on a nickel as a curiosity and where the copper cent of an economical civilization is unknown. It seems to me that a great and prosperous Government like ours, which has lately become a world power, might afford to pay an artisan a respectable wage, especially when it sends him to the portion of the country where money is most easily fatigued by travel—so much so that it doesn't go far. I understand that when there is not enough printing to occupy his time he is expected to peel potatoes, wash the Indian kids and get them ready for the schoolroom, and do chores generally. The latter is not usually high-priced labor, but a printer who can also peel potatoes and wash kids is an entirely desirable man to have around, and I move that Chipley's salary be increased to about $1,200.

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I. T. U. President James M. Lynch stopped off in this city between trains on his way to Richmond last Monday. I believe a few of our boys accompanied him from here to Richmond.

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A correspondent recently wrote me inquiring as to the original significance of the oath or expletive "By the Great Horn Spoon," which we have all heard a thousand times. Having nothing more substantial to go upon than a dim recollection of reading that it was the oath of a burlesque secret society in London a couple of centuries ago, I laid the matter before the officials of the Library of Congress, but they are unable to throw light upon it. If anybody knows and will communicate the facts to me, I will be glad to lay them before a palpitating world.

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It strikes me that it is about time for the candidates to be making their peeps, if there are any among us who want office. There seems to be a disposition among us to elect a downtown man president this year, though we have no lack of splendid material in the big shop. So far I haven't heard of anyone who wants to go to Colorado Springs except Charlie Gove, but if Frank D. Smith, to whom the goal last year was so near and yet so far, has a hankering for my support he can have it. Though I have not heard John Berg express any anxiety in that direction, I think he is a logical candidate as a small reward for his excellent service as president during the past two years, which made such great demands on his time, patience, and executive ability.

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A now famous fiction writer who but lately came into his fame recently received a request from a celebrated magazine for a story at his own price. His answer ran about as follows:

Gentlemen: Yours of —th inst. at hand. Flattering as is your offer, I decline it unhesitatingly, convinced that you do not buy literature, but names. The story which gave me my first prominence as a writer you declined when I submitted it to you, before it was sent to the magazine which published it. Now, though I have never since equaled the story which you refused, you are willing to buy what I may write, without regard to its merit, because of the reputation which has come to me through the opportunity given by others. You can never print a story of mine by my consent. I am not to be used by those who refuse to assist me to gain popularity by a hearing.

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Mrs. Margaret F. Trudgian, wife of Dr. J. B. Trudgian, of the First Division, Night Force, died last Saturday night, at Columbia Hospital. Deceased had undergone an operation, from which she failed to recover. Dr. Trudgian has the sincere sympathy of his fellow-workmen in his bereavement—the sorest that ever befalls man.

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I have been reading lately about scientific societies considering euthanasianism, and had thought it was some new form of the dread Yellow Peril. Consultation of the dictionary, however, informs me that it is quite different, the discussion being merely on the question of the desirability of the doctors giving us something to let us go easy-like and at once when we get a necessarily fatal and painful disease. Personally I am in favor of it, but I believe its use might be extended to undesirable individuals, when there is a practically unanimous sentiment that the world would be better off without them. There are numbers whose room is decidedly preferable to their company, and by whose absence all would profit. A well and judiciously applied system of euthanasia for the riddance of the world of a lot of barnacles and vermin seems to me highly desirable. I nominate "rats" and "scabs." Are there any other nominations? If not let the nominations close.

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Miss Nellie Shipman addressed the union last Sunday in a few well-chosen words in praise of the management and comforts of the Union Printers' Home, for which she was rewarded with a round of applause.

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D. M. Parry, president of the National Association of Manufacturers, has made a discovery—that the labor unions of this country are to blame for the Chinese boycott of American goods. If to have this country overrun by "Chinese cheap labor" is the price of retaining our inconsiderable market in China, there will not be a moment wasted in making up a decision to let China go to the devil. But I do not believe Mr. Parry is as anxious for Chinese markets as he is for Chinese labor. The National Association of Manufacturers seems to exist only to enable Parry to make mouths at organized labor and provide Marshall Cushing a job as secretary.

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In reply to the remarks of a gentleman who protested against smoking at the union meeting last Sunday, Miss Laura Gordon made a strong and graceful appeal that the members be permitted to smoke all they pleased, as they were housed up all the week where it was not permitted, for which she was warmly applauded. She appreciates what a comfort it is to those addicted to the habit and realizes that no disrespect to anyone is intended. Unfortunately, some heedless smoker accidentally fired the stage curtain, and there was a little commotion until President Berg and others tore it from its moorings and extinguished the flames.

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I am glad to welcome back to the city that well-known orator, uncompromising union man and sterling poet, James Lacoste Rodier, after twenty-two months' absence in the wilds of Pennsylvania, which he spent in rejuvenating unionism and getting fat. He is a valuable addition to any union, for his voice is always raised in defense of what he deems the right, though his ideas that way do not agree with mine on every occasion. But I suppose it is too much to expect that he shall be right all the time.

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The change of the pay hour of the night forces from 3 p. m. to 1.30 and between that and 2 o'clock is an agreeable one, as the banks close at 3 p. m., precluding business with them until the next day. To deprive a printer of banking privileges is one of the greatest hardships that can be imposed on him. Everything is now lovely and there are countenances arrayed in smiles that recently wore a somber look beneath portentious frowns.

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Mrs. Mary Kenny O'Sullivan, the well-known Boston labor organizer and advocate of woman suffrage, visited the G. P. O. last Monday. Mrs. O'Sullivan was here as a witness before a committee of Congress.

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The day was not long enough for the amount of business to be transacted at the meeting of the Union last Sunday, and we will have to go in again next Sunday and finish up. The newspaper scale was the bone of contention, and yet I do not understand that there are any real differences, but only disagreement as to the proper method to get at it. I hope that good common horse sense will prevail the next time it is considered and the whole matter straightened out "in one time and two motions." Pride of opinion and insistence on having a matter settled in a certain way are potent causes of misunderstanding.

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The first inroads have been made on the Typothetæ offices of Philadelphia and more soon will be. The eight hour day is an accomplished fact, and what is the use of contesting it, making unnessary expense for everybody?

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AFTER-DINNER DILATIONS.

AT HOME, AFTER DINNER, *February 18, 1906.*

Day by day the hairs he parted,
Day by day some hairs would fall,
Till at last they all departed
And there were no hairs at all.

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Dr. Mary Walker has again declared h—self a woman.

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Nobody knows anything when everybody is guessing.

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For some time at least it will be the fashion to marry on Saturday. This will give the preachers a chance to lay in something for Sunday.

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Some people get the shivers every time a coal strike is threatened.

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The duties of the G. P. O. inspectors have been explained and no one now is suspected.

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Yerdenspelledbackwards writes entertainingly from down-town strike headquarters.

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Excessive interest in foreign missions sometimes results in neglect of just plain home duties.

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Hath it not occurred to you that the trades paper is worth the price as an advocate and friend?

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A dividend of $15,000,000 was recently declared on Standard Oil stock. 'Taint money we'd care for.

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Susan B. Anthony has just celebrated her eighty-sixth birthday, and she's of the same opinion still.

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If all reports are true, we are 'way past the danger point known as the "middle of the stream."

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Pat Crowe, the child abductor and notorious outlaw, has been acquitted and qualified for the stage.

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It is announced that Representative Longworth is paired for two weeks. We were under the impression that it was for life.

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Speaker Cannon threatens to turn Congress loose on or about the 15th of May. Mr. Speaker! Would a motion to reconsider be in order?

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To those who supply the means of defense and who make the greatest sacrifices belongs the greater glory for victories achieved in the eight-hour struggle.

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It is a comforting reflection that there is nothing quite so bad that it might not be worse, and apparently some find consolation in the promise that "the worst is yet to come."

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It may yet be necessary for someone to break the news to our friends, the enemy, that there is such a thing as the truth and that they and it can never hope to be friends.

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If our memory is not at fault, this date of publication is the 174th anniversary of George Washington's birthday, a day we all look forward to and wish there were more like it.

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At New Martinsville, W. Va., a saloon was recently broken into and one hundred barrels of beer were thrown into the creek. That would be a good point to place an order for next summer's ice.

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Individual interest in matters of more or less moment is frequently shown by the opportunity afforded in the use of the letter I with italic slant, and the absence of such opportunity invariably shows the point where personal interest ends.

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A Washington man has laid claim to a part of the Sahara Desert. We may soon expect these possessions to be subdivided, money appropriated for street improvements, and lots placed upon the market as desirable suburban homes for Washington people.

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The House District Committee has agreed on a bill to fine a man $500 or twelve months imprisonment or both for wife beating. That is something like it. The grand central idea should be not to strip a man of everything, but to give him a show for his money.

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A committee has been prying into the methods employed in the conduct of affairs at St. Elizabeth's Asylum for the Insane, with a result showing that the inmates are getting short measure in the matter of a square deal. The report stamps the institution as a place which all would do well to keep away from.

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Mr. Charles F. Fletcher, of Specifications, had forgotten that a birthday anniversary was due on Monday of this week, but the fact was made known to him by a surprise in the evening, attended by a concourse of genial neighbors and friends at his home in North Langdon. Brother Fletcher is still a young man at heart.

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Good morning. Have you been "inspected?" Be careful that you are not "detected."

Well, we are glad to state that every man in this Division has his card on straight, up to date. Now, let the Third get a gait.

Leaf by leaf the roses fall—the old landmarks are gradually disappearing. Hines and Feeney in one week and now Mr. Hay has passed away.

Strange, isn't it, that it took some people of color about fifteen years to find out that their union card was no good to them outside the office?

Henry Taylor, of this Division, was given a fine write up in the Louisville (Ky.) *Times*. They also published a fine half-tone cut of him, life size.

Have you subscribed to THE TRADES UNIONIST yet? If not, why not help a good union office, and at the same time learn what's going on in the G. P. O.

The wheel of fortune is ever turning. Who can say, "I will be uppermost tomorrow?" So let the traitors beware. We may not always be in the G. P. O.

That's right, Bro. Ottinger, continue to pour hot shot into the ranks of the "deserters." Let no guilty man escape. The pen is mightier than the sword, and so continue to show up the frauds.

The many friends of Mr. David Pollock will be sorry to hear of his illness. We are glad to say that he is convalescing, and here's hoping he will soon be back in our midst, as he is a jolly good fellow and much liked by all.

Last week we celebrated the birthday of Abraham Lincoln, the great friend of the common people, the man who said, "You can fool all the people some time, but you can't fool 'all' the people 'all' the time." In these days of injunctions and the suppression of free speech, we should not forget this great self-made man who was born in old Kentucky and was ever the friend of the down-trodden.

Bro. Gunn's remarks about the sinecures and "pick-ups" the Congressmen have given them by a generous Government are very appropriate at this juncture, when they, the aforesaid Congressmen, together with the Keep Commission, are making every effort in their power to put us out of business. When they think of economizing they generally commence at poor per diem employes and never get any higher up. Some people are very thoughtful of the poor Government's interests when it does not touch them. They, Congressmen and others, whose names it is unnecessary to mention, did not seem to be so thoughtful of our dear Government's interest when they voted $20,000,000 at one fell swoop, as it were, to the Spanish Government for the privilege of giving Spain a well-deserved thrashing and later gave about $4,000,000 more away for some worthless land in the Philippines. But that's different; they were not American citizens, and were naturally entitled to cosideration. Then again, dear old Spain needed the money. Twenty-four million dollars would run the G. P. O. for at least four or five years, and thus give employment to 4,000 or 5,000 American citizens who would spend their money here and the Government would get part of it back indirectly.

Surely human beings of the highest order are like sheep—they are prone to follow their leader, right or wrong—and are apt to go astray. Because someone higher up has been knocking on this office on general principles, a certain Congressman, or several of them, seem in duty bound to keep it up, regardless of the facts in the case. It is an old story. Economy and reform from the bottom up, but never get up further than the bottom. The statement was made some eight or ten years ago that the Government was being robbed in regard to its printing. I think it was E. W. Oyster, now in one of the other Departments, but then foreman of the Spess, who submitted facts and figures to prove that the work was being done cheaper by the office than when it was given out by contract. The men in the G. P. O. work more hours, and work harder, than any other class of employes of the Government, and why the gentlemen on the Hill, many of whom we men out here helped to put where they can get easy money and short hours, should be eternally knocking on us and scheming to put us out of business, is what the writer cannot understand. Can it be that the Typothetæ, not satisfied with having the courts of the country granting them unconstitutional injunctions, have spread their blighting influence over Congress, too?

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Sixth Division.

If long sessions of the Union meetings continue it may become necessary to have somebody supply the evening lunch.

Called to the chair three times during the Union meeting last Sunday, Vice-President "Billy" Love proved himself an efficient presiding officer.

The first installment of kitchen French was issued last week by the writer of Flotsam and Jetsam. Cheer up! The worst is yet to come.

After giving a delegatorial candidate a complimentary notice, Johnnie Jottinger says he was merely writing "slop." The candidate must feel highly honored.

The Washington *Post* paragrapher says "Boston reports a mild winter has left the heavy shoes unsold," adding that "some of the lighter ones are only half soled." The sheriff may now get busy.

Whatever may be "Spadge" Parsons aspirations for No. 101 presidential honors, the fact remains that he has won his way into the hearts of a vast number of Columbia Union's members by the brilliant manner in which he is conducting the down-town strike.

It is said THE TRADES UNIONIST was the first to suggest the appointment of an office physician for the G. P. O. The writer of these notes made a similar suggestion almost two years ago. Not that I wish any credit, only I hope Dr. Manning will not overlook that fact should I ever appear before the pill counter.

John D. Mets, whose application for admission to the Printers' Home was favorably acted upon at Sunday's Union meeting, is well-known to the G. P. O. printers, especially the old Fifth, where he was employed previous to his transfer to the Agricultural Branch. Many friends will regret to learn of his failing physical condition.

The praise bestowed upon the Printers' Home and Superintendent Deacon by Miss Nellie Shipman, who has just returned from there, is good to hear, and should be given as much publicity as the "knocks" frequently heard by disgruntled ones. It is such words of praise that puts a printer's pride in that grand institution above par.

That well-known orator, J. L. Rodier, recently of Philadelphia, enlivened things by a stirring speech at Sunday's Uuion meeting. Mr. Rodier intimated that it might be his farewell appearance before a Washington audience. I trust however, it will be in the nature of a "Patti farewell," for he is good to listen to and fans to a flame the smoldering fire of unionism often found even among the faithful.

In proportion to number, there are probably fewer backsliders among the membership of Columbia Union than can be found in most any church of Washington. Every lodge and every church has its faithless ones. It it were possible to find out the truth, I guess it becomes necessary occasionally for the sargeant-at-arms of the Eternal City to kick out a few of the angels now and then for backsliding. They're crazy.

Just at this time when much is being said regarding the eight-hour law, a little bit of ancient history on this subject may not be out of place. In the first place it is practically a printer law, engineered through Congress by printers, and to E. W. Oyster has been given the credit for its passage through Congress and acceptance by President Harrison. John L. Kennedy, Horace V. Bisbee, and others, old timers, were also hard workers at that time for the success of the measure. Mr. Oyster is possessed of an engrossed copy of resolutions commending his work in behalf of the Eight-Hour Law, and President Harrison sent to him the pen with which he signed the bill, on August 1, 1892, which is one of his prized possessions of to-day. Glorious days those of fifteen years ago when men labored night and day for the enactment of an Eight-Hour Law, but us of to-day need not despair of participating in its glory, for a strict enforcement of to-day is necessary to make the work of 1892 a success.

The Sixth Division was visited on Monday by Public Printer Stillings, Foreman of Printing Ricketts and Chief Inspector Brown, introductions being made to the office force and linotype machinists. In a general way the wish was expressed by Mr. Stillings and Mr. Ricketts that the employes would not be mislead in the belief that the duties of Mr. Brown included those of espionage on the working force; that his duties were to assist in bringing the great plant up to its full working capacity, and expressing the hope that the entire force would cheerfully cooperate in bringing about these desired results. As to the square deal, Mr. Stillings reiterated his oft-repeated declaration that every man and woman in the G. P. O. would get a square deal, adding that he could see no reason why one should oppose it unless it was his fear of it. He further added that it was his one great desire to not only maintain, but, if possible, add to the Government Printing Office's high reputation for the character of its work and ability of its mechanics.

I notice the Woman's Auxiliary is on record as opposed to allowing Marine Band members to take private engagements. For one I firmly believe a move to keep Marine Band members from accepting private engagements is a misguided step. To me they appear as the true musicians who have the kick coming instead of being kicked. Music is their trade just as printing is our own, and to say that promoters of musical entertainments, concerts, dances, etc., should be compelled under threat of boycott to hire tired and worn out printers, machinists, and clerks who have already performed a day's work to do the fiddling and tooting instead of trained musicians, is to my way of thinking wrong. The Marine Band is the nation's pride, and labor unions should not oppose the members of that grand organization making a little money on the side until they succeed in stopping their own members from doing the sundown act in almost every other calling.

The Washington Birthday song service held in the main hallway of the new building at the G. P. O. on Wednesday was a pleasant affair, and largely attended, the Public Printer, Mr. Ricketts and Mr. Spottswood joining with the employes in their short service to the memory of the Father of His Country. Mr. Ben Lineback and his corps of Job Room singers led in the singing, assisted in the choruses by the assembled employes. Limited time prohibited a lengthy program, and but three songs—"My Country 'Tis of Thee," "Mt. Vernon Bells are Ringing," and the "Star Spangled Banner" were rendered. In all probably the sweetest song ever sung in the G. P. O. was that rendered on Wednesday when the great chorus sang "Mt. Vernon Bells," written to the tune of that delightful old Southern melody "Massa's in de Cold, Cold Ground." Memories of the Potomac, the white mansion peeking through the green trees on the Virginia shore, and the steamer Charles Macalester, as with bells tolling and the band sweetly playing she silently glides upon the historic waters past the place where sleeps the immortal George, are all revived in the words of the chorus of "Mt. Vernon Bells"—

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Tuesday, February 17. Rev. Bishop Johnston. "What I Saw in England."
Tuesday, March 6. Chas. F. Warren. "Porto Rico." Illustrated.

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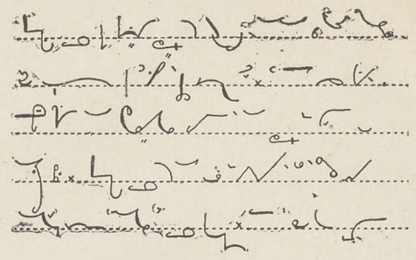
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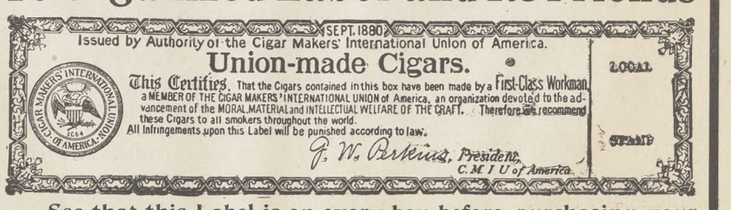

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AFTER THE WEDDING.

Happy long life, say we all, to the fair
Young bride of the White House and nation,
Who proudly has posed, with a dignified air,
In the light of the world's admiration.

And who has abundant reason to feel—
Yea, indeed, more, to sincerely believe
That he to whom she's committed her weal
Will her fond heart never wilfully grieve.

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JOTTINGS BY JOHN JOTTINGER.

Some day when I am not so busy thinking up pleasant things to say about traitors and deserters I am going to write a little book entitled "Funny Bulls I Have Met," and a prominent place will be accorded the following, which came to my attention quite recently in the *Record* Proof Room:

"A bill to pension Army nurses" appeared in the proof as "A bill to pension Anny Moses," but those of us who are acquainted with the handwriting of the average clerk at the Capitol were not surprised thereat. In a speech on the pension appropriation bill one Congressman, in referring to the Mexican war, said "the soldiers covered the land," but in the proof they "carved the loan." The operator was evidently thinking about hacking the "syms." Then Cape Flattery, Wash., appeared as "Cape Stillings," but as no order has been issued amending the Gazetteer the proofreader refused to stand for it.

I already have a little collection of compound words that I am adding to as rapidly as my friends the compositors are turning them out. In the list is "slow-sand filtration," which is in the same class with "fast-ocean mail" and others. "Hyphenology gone mad" will be a good title for that chapter.

A recent number of Shelby Smith's *Trades Union News* contained a rather well-written editorial headed "Stop Knocking!" It appealed to me with more than ordinary force because I thought it was pretty good—coming from Shelby Smith.

The power of organized labor received a strong testimonial in the United States Senate last week when the ship subsidy bill was under discussion. Senator Spooner seemed anxious to have a provision incorporated which would make it difficult to reduce the pay of seamen. Senator Frye was on his feet in a moment. "You can not reduce the sailors' pay," said he. "Good gracious! To-day sailors earn from $100 to $125 a month—more than captains—on the ordinary tramp ships. The sailors' union is running the Pacific coast business, and that is shown by the wages which they compel them to pay."

The union busters' brigade at The Works is not gaining in membership very rapidly. At present it is composed of an African (kindly notice that I am still polite enough not to say "nigger"), a church deacon, and a mining stock fakir. Three of a kind, and the lowest in the pack.

If I had any doubts as to Miss Wilson's candidacy for the office of trustee of the Home they were dispelled upon receipt of one of her unique New Year cards of a result of my "ad in de papah." With the Jottinger man chained to her chariot, she may now proceed on her way to victory.

Dr. Manning, the newly appointed Medical Director, has notified Secretary Seibold of his intention to continue as an active member of the union, following, in this respect, in the footsteps of other men who have risen high in the professional world, but never so high as to feel above the union card that gave them their start in life. All honor to Dr. Manning and men like him. May they succeed in everything they undertake, and may their example stir up a sense of shame in those who are ready to quit at the first opportunity, whether legitimate or not.

It seemed like old times to see J. L. Rodier at the union meeting last Sunday, and when he got the floor to speak of the conditions in Philadelphia it was evident that his ability to sway an audience has not abated one jot. He told me that he feels himself growing old, but neither his voice nor his brain is showing any wear and tear that I could notice.

I was also glad to see Ed. Oyster at the meeting. When I struck town in 1895 and reported at what at that time was known by the rather unwieldy name of the Government Printing Office, I was detailed to the Specification Division, of which Mr. Oyster was foreman, and I want to say, without the slightest desire to reflect on anybody, that I never have worked under a fairer, squarer union man. The "merit system" was to him more than an idle theory, and I am sure that I voice the sentiments of nearly every man and woman who worked in the Spess under Mr. Oyster when I say that a "square deal" in those days was something we did not need to be assured of every other day.

For once in my life I am glad to find myself mistaken. Last week I included in the list of "quitters" a Spanish-war veteran, who, I was told, had refused to pay his card. I have since learned that his card has been paid up to date; that he never refused to pay it; that he has had a good union record for twenty-four years; that his war record is without a blemish; and, furthermore, that he objects to being classed with the deserters in the G. P. O., and when I contemplate the aforesaid deserters I must say that I don't blame him, and am glad to place him before the union in a proper light.

One of the walls at strike headquarters is adorned with a picture of the Hon. Frank W. Palmer, bearing the legend, "The Printer's Friend." In his retirement Mr. Palmer may derive some comfort from the reflection that in Columbia Union he has many friends who never tire of pointing out his kindly acts in the days when, as Public Printer, he held the affectionate regard of every employe in the big shop by virtue of his fair and considerate treatment.

The first number of Mr. Munsey's new magazine, *The Scrap Book*, contains an article entitled "Roosevelt and the Labor Unions," which purports to be an authoritative statement of the President's views upon "the greatest industrial question of the day." After reading the article and wading through its mass of "ifs" and "buts" I am satisfied that the Comptroller of the Treasury is not the only man that can turn out literary gems that might mean anything you want them to.

The party who sought divine guidance on the question of deserting his union worked on the Bill Force a couple of years ago, and I am informed that on the question of going into O'Leary's for a drink of whisky every morning he never needed light from above. It is so much easier to settle some of these questions for yourself.

Apparently James M. Lynch will be re-elected president of the I. T. U. without opposition, and I am glad of it, although I am not what might be called a Lynch "adherent." At a time like this, when we are presenting a solid front to the enemy, it would be folly to risk engendering the petty animosities which seem to be the natural result of a heated campaign for office, and Mr. Lynch and his lieutenants have so far managed the fight for the eight-hour day in a manner which merits a unanimous vote of confidence. If the head of the I. T. U. has enemies who yearn for his official scalp let them wait until we have licked the common enemy to a standstill. After that I am sure he will be pleased to meet all comers.

Some of the teapotters are so incensed at Mr. George Judd's display of common sense in granting the eight-hour day that they refuse to speak to him. But as Mr. Judd is turning out more work than all the open shops combined he can comfort himself with the reflection that his shop will be "open" long after some of the others are "closed" by the bankruptcy court.

I wish every member of Columbia Union could have heard Mr. Rodier's remarks last Sunday on the "lop-sided union man"—that is, the man who insists that his employer shall employ none but union labor, but who himself employs scab labor by placing nonunion food products on his table, nonunion shoes on his feet, nonunion clothes on his back, nonunion hats on his head, and nonunion cigars in his face. In these days when union-made goods are easily obtainable there surely can be no good reason for this state of affairs. If sheer carelessness is not at the bottom of it, it must be the paltry saving made by buying the product of the sweatshop and the nonunion factory, and it ill becomes such men to talk about maintaining a union scale of wages. In the midst of our struggle for the eight-hour day we look to other organized trades for moral and financial support, and we have not looked in vain; but when we stop and ask what we have done for these fellow-unionists in the way of strengthening and aiding them in *their* struggle to better their condition—what's the answer? Let us all draw the line a little closer and demand the label from start to finish. The most effective way of fighting the open shop is by patronizing the union store.

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday, President Adams in the chair. The minutes of the previous meeting ware read, and after correction were approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Bricklayers' Union, No. 1: Miiford Spohn, William Pollard, John G. Wolfe, P. H. Sugrue, and George O. Cook.

Electrical Workers, No. 26: Ed. Beatman, vice Ed. Saxer.

Hospital Attendants, No. 8097: C. W. Teates, A. C. Hayden, T. H. Medley, C. J. Harbaugh, and C. T. Skinner.

The Credentials Committee having reported favorably on the credentials presented they were received and delegates present obligated.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Japanese and Corean Exclusion League, calling attention to provisions of bill H. R. 12973, known as the Foster bill, which has for its object the practical repeal of the Chinese exclusion law. Referred to Legislative Committee.

From Samuel Gompers, president of American Federation of Labor, asking for a committee to meet with him to formulate a line of action in the interest of organized labor. The chair appointed Delegates McCarthy, Winslow, and Colpoys.

From Emma F. Langdon, of Denver, Colo., calling attention to second edition of her book on recent Colorado labor troubles, entitled, "The Industrial Wars in Colorado." Placed on file.

From Frank Morrison, secretary American Feedration of Labor, calling attention to per capita tax due that body. Referred to Financial Secretary.

From Steam Engineers' Union, No. 99, expressing thanks for assistance given in Golden & Co. case. Placed on file.

Bills amounting to $43.62 were read and ordered paid.

Mr. Little, representing the Luna Park Exhibition Co., was granted the privilege of the floor, and made a brief statement of the position the company has assumed with respect to organized labor. He also exhibited a painting of the many attractions of the new amusement resort at Four Mile Run, Va.

The secretary read a contract with the Luna Park Co. covering a period of ten years, which was indorsed.

Under special order of business the Committee on Revision of Constitution presented its report, which was read and ordered printed, and laid over under the rules for two weeks.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Bakers: Called attention to John Bender being on unfair list.

Electrical Workers, No. 26: Requested that members having telephones installed request electrician to show his card.

Hod Carriers: Delegate Peyton asked that reconsideration be had of motion discharging special committee on A. B. Stannard case. Request granted and committee continued.

Retail Clerks, No. 262: Asked appointment of a committee to visit Thornton, the shoe dealer, on Seventh street northwest. Request granted, and Delegates De Nedry, Allison, and Ross appointed on committee.

Grocery Clerks: Asked for report from special committee to visit P. B. Otterback. On motion, the committee was discharged, and new committee consisting of Delegates Dooley, Patterson, and Tudey were appointed.

Sheet Metal Workers: Delegate Ross, on behalf of its Union, entered a protest against the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners infringing on trade rights.

Mill Workers' Helpers: Reported that they had met the Contract Committee and would hold subsequent meetings.

Soda and Mineral Water Wagon Drivers: That encroachments were being made on their trade rights by members of Retail Liquor Dealers Association.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS.

The Grievance Committee made a report on Majestic Theater case. As no representative of Musicians' Union was present further action was postponed.

The special committee to visit National Window Clieaning Co. reported progress.

NEW BUSINESS.

The invitation extended to the Central Body to have the authoress of the book "Out of Work" address the Union was accepted and time fixed at meeting of Monday, March 12.

The chair announced that the proposition to have a fraternal delegate from the Presbyterian Conference in this city would be presented by Rev. J. P. Skellinger at the next meeting.

The chair appointed Delegate De Nedry a member of the Legislative Committee, vice D. F. Manning.

Adjourned.

The Dollar Mark.

A spectre dark and grim and baleful stands
  In the world's rugged path,
Scornful of gentle deeds, and with foul hands,
  In blind relentless wrath,
Lays hold upon the beautiful and strives
  To show that man no upward impulse hath.

The young enthusiast, by love made strong,
  And with a face agleam
In scorn of specious, world-wise acts of wrong,
  And thoughts with hope that teem,
Shall hear the spectre mutter with a sneer:
  "A miser weds the angel of your dream."

It crouches darkly, with malignant eyes,
  There in the halls of state.
When the reformer lifts his voice it cries:
  "Your words have scarcely weight
To rend an ancient cobweb; man is doomed
  To writhe forever in the toils of fate."

There in the mart, in wasteful opulence,
  The bane of human kind,
It sways a kingdom without moral sense,
  Gold-deaf, gold-dumb, gold-blind.
Only those eyes glow bright with hope wherein
  No soreness of its golden dust we find.

—WILLIAM TIPTON TALBOTT.

The Enterprising Printer.

Speaking of enterprise among printers—the kind of enterprise that makes you climb up to the second story of the case for a big cap "E"—you want to notice Lewis M. Thayer, or "Lew," as the boys used to call him out to the G. P. O. He is the first printer in Washington to advertise his business with one of those big "wait a minute" electric talking signs. He has recently installed a huge Jenkins-Thomas sign which reads:

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It is a night blooming ceres that is an innovation in print shop publicity.

Lew used to be among those who printed in the G. P. O., and claims to have worked in every department in the big building except the foundry and stable: Benedict did him the kindness to "fire" him and since then he has been going it for himself. His old union training has not left him since he has been in business and now he is burning the juice to let the public know which side of the Union fence he is on. He believes that success is spelled by

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Absolutely Helpless.

Nome is doing everything possible to prevent the government from moving the garrison stationed at Fort Davis to Paynes, Alaska, as recommended by General Williams. The petitioners plead that should the troops be removed, Nome would be "in the hands of the labor unions and absolutely helpless in time of trouble."—*Daily Press.*

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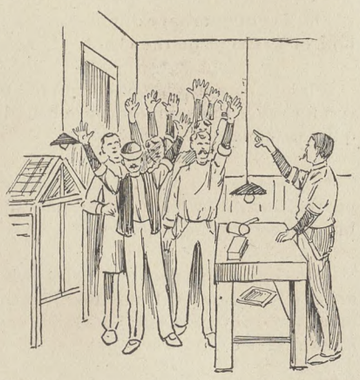
Old-Time Days on the "Spess."

Up in the loft of the old building, facing Jackson Alley on the south and overlooking the Printing Office stables on the west, was once the home of the Specification Division, which was then under the piece system, where types were manipulated with a deftness and strenuosity resembling a continuous typesetting contest, and never excelled for speed until the introduction of typesetting machines.

In those days a Chapel was a thing of prime necessity, and the chairman, as executive head, was as near IT as the decrees of a representative body could make him. He was supposed to enforce whatever rules the Chapel adopted, which were the "fruit of the loom," so to speak, or the concrete thought of a deliberative committee controlled or actuated solely by a desire to guard against the piggishness of the few and to insure to each individual member a "square deal." It was a violation of one of these rules which one day necessitated a call of the Chapel and which was one of the most spirited of the many impromptu affairs witnessed in the early 80's. The



dispute arose from a misdemeanor practiced upon the "copy-box" by a fellow-workman, who, having become weary of setting matter which was totally lacking in the essential element known as "phat," he devised a way to change his luck, which was a clear violation of the chapel rules and for which the chairman in addition to a severe reprimand, imposed the moderate fine of three dollars. The aggrieved protested his innocence, told a hard-luck story, and appealed his case back to the Chapel. After a full and fair hearing the case simmered down to the single proposition as to whether or not the action of the chairman should be sustained. Following the yea and nay vote the offending party asked for a division with the result above indicated. He paid the fine. Those were great days — those old days of the "Spess."

O'FUDGE.

COLUMBIA UNION MEETING.

Nominations For I. T. U. Offices Made Last Sunday.

The unfinished business of the regular meeting of Columbia Typographical Union was taken up last Sunday.

The Secretary read a communication from Plate Printers Union, No. 2, pledging support in fight for the eight-hour day. The Secretary was directed to forward the thanks of the Union.

A communication was read from Erie Typographical Union, asking that assistance be given them in notifying customers of the Erie Lithographing and Printing Co. that said firm had declared for the open-shop. Request granted.

Mr. Pierce, from Newspaper Scale Committee, introduced a resolution asking for enforcement of articles of I. T. U. agreement, which was adopted.

I. T. U. NOMINATIONS.

President—James M. Lynch, Syracuse, No. 55.

First Vice-President—John W. Hays, Minneapolis, No. 42.

Secretary-Treasurer—John W. Bramwood, Denver, No. 49.

Agent Union Printers Home—George P. Nichols, Baltimore, No. 12.

Delegates to American Federation of Labor—(Four to be elected): Frank Morrison, Chicago, No. 16; Hugh Stevenson, Toronto, No. 91; Frank K. Foster, Boston, No. 13; H. J. Gottlob, Newark, 103.

Trustees Union Printers Home—(Four to be elected): Thos. F. Crowley, Cincinnati, No. 3; T. D. Fennessy, Los Angeles, No. 174; John Armstrong, Toronto, No. 91; W. A. Wright, Dallas, No. 173.

Mr. Ennis, from the Laws Committee, presented the report on hearing relative to request of Judd & Detweiler Co. to introduce piece work for hand compositors in that office now on a time basis. The committee having reported the case back without recommendation, on motion the Secretary was directed to notify Judd & Detweiler Co. that the Union can not set aside its scale.

The president presented the bill of Tabler & Bro. for burial of Frank Farrish, for whose interment the Union appropriated $35 at the January meeting. The bill for burial being far in excess of the appropriation, on motion the matter was referred to the Finance Committee for examination and report at next meeting.

In accordance with request of President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, the chair announced the appointment of the following as a committee to co-operate with A. F. of L. Legislative Committee: F. D. Smith, Z. T. Jenkins, and Victor Hurley.

An amendment introduced by H. W. Templar to strike out "2.30" and insert "1.30" in Section 1, Article I, By-Laws, was ordered printed on the call.

Adjourned.

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

E. D. McKenna and J. H. Mills have started in the job printing line, at No. 619 F street northwest, under the name of the Standard Press.

Brother Doty exhibits a number of artistic photographs, the product of his camera, to be printed in the *National Magazine*, of sages at the House on the Hill, and scenes of the late White House marriage festivities.

A scribe for one of the city papers tells how the management of the big printery, in the persons of Messrs. Stillings and Ricketts, were pleased with the rendition of patriotic airs by the aggregation of Professor Lineback. Be it known, we have all the good singers on the night force. Instance, Messrs. Templar, Greene, Purvis, Burchfield, and many others. Seriously, I was contemplating bringing about a contest between the musical talent of the day and night forces—say, on Decoration Day. The management miss a rare treat when they fail to hear, in the closing hours of the morning, Professor Tanner and his choristers render, "There's a Hole in the Bottom of the Sea."

H. S. SUTTON.

Open Shop Work.

The insurance investigating committee sent two expert proof-readers to Albany, N. Y., recently to correct the copies of the insurance report which were secretly printed in New York by a private firm. The experts found about one hundred errors in the report, many of them in the figures.

BALTIMORE ITEMS.

Interesting Items of Interest From the Monumental City.

Now let the ladies *boom* the label and get after the Methodist ministers.

The action of No. 12 in gaining such a *complete* victory will worry the knockers for a little while.

Come over in September at the celebration we are going to hold to commemorate our big fire. We will show you a good time—show you how we have grown.

The union has opened temporary quarters at 100 North Paca street for the convenience of the Friedenwald employees, where they report at 10 a. m. and 3 p. m. Nothing is read in the shape of magazines that are not strictly union. The benefits being paid are $12 and $8.

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Baltimore Typographical Union, No. 12, held an enthusiastic meeting on Sunday, February 25, between 400 and 500 being present, President W. J. Hanifin presiding. As it was the meeting before the strike was expected to be inaugurated, printers were there who had not been to a union meeting for a long time. The main point was on the adoption of the conference report of the committee from the union and the committee from the employers, which was adopted with but two dissenting votes. The terms of agreement are eight hours a day ($15 40 per week) and an increase of 5 cents an hour for overtime, which will be 40 cents an hour overtime in job offices. The machine job scale will be $21 per week and price-and-a-half overtime, which was agreed to by both sides, and has been signed by all but two firms at this writing. The hours will be from 7.45 a. m. to 5 p. m. and 12 o'clock on Saturday.

The 32 strikers from the non-union shop of the Friedenwald Company were present in a body and took a deep interest in the proceedings. This shop is very badly crippled and is expected to submit very shortly. There were also 4 apprentices who walked out with the journeymen. The binders and pressmen in this plant are union men.

The bringing out of Friedenwald employes was a masterstroke on the part of President Hanafin and his coworkers, the firm in question being the the largest non-union shop in the city, and when the union employers were holding consultations among themselves, to see whether to oppose the Union, President Hanafin set the ball rolling by calling out 32 non-union men and 4 apprentices and obligating them. Quite a surprise (to them). Now get after the Baltimore & Ohio plant.

UNION MEETING NOTES

And George Nichols only smiled.

Charley Yeakle was there. You all know him.

The candidates were out in full force. It looks as if Will King and Tommy Lyons will go to the Springs in August and George Lindall will be Corresponding Secretary.

No. 101 was represented (unofficially) by Charley O'Neill, Howard Riggs, Frank Trott. "Count" Alfred Dietz, J. T. Halpin, W. H. Mules, John Riley, and several others.

Ex-President Prescott explained the terms of the agreement between the conference committees in very plain terms. But there were several who could not catch on.

Professor Barnett, of the Economic Department of Johns Hopkins University, an honorary member of No. 12, addressed the Union on the Dorton Child-Labor bill, now before the General Assembly.

Only one firm out of 56 is out in town on strike—Williams & Wilkins Co., involving 11 men and 4 boys, who have just gotten ont the proceedings of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. The Peters Publishing Co. were only out for 3 hours. The Friedenwald Co. have secured 2 non-union men.

To explain the Friedenwald Company's call is as follows: Before the men were called out a good many employers were giving out the information that they intended to oppose the eight-hour movement and the prospect was that there would be from 75 to 125 men walk out of the shops. But the committee on non-union offices were not sleeping. They (the committee on non-union offices) had, as President Hanafin said, the employers "skinned a block." On February 21, to show the employers how hopeless their case was, 30 journeymen and 2 apprentices were called out of this non-union plant and obligated and the next day 2 journeymen and 2 more apprentices joined the other men and were also obligated. After seeing how well organized the union was the employers called a meeting for February 23 at the Eutaw House, and after a few concessions on both sides, the victory of an eight-hour day in Baltimore was assured. The union's committee consisted of its officers and Mr. George P. Nichols, and the employers committee consisted of Mr. C. G. Summers, of the Summers Printing Company, chairman; Mr. Martin Kohn, of Kohn & Pollock; Mr. John B. Kurtz, of the J. D. Lucas Company; Mr. C. E. Falkner, of Falkner & Co.; Mr. Pearre E. Crowl, of the Pearre E. Crowl Company; Mr. J. E. McGinley, of the Fleet-McGinley Company. Other firms represented were Baltimore Bargain House, Rollman &Schloss, George W. King Printing Company, Fosnut & Williams Company, King Bros., Advertising and Art Company, J. E. Gerding & Co., and the Catholic Mirror Company.

ORIGIN OF THE BOYCOTT.

A Correspondent has Discovered how an Ancestor was a Victim.

Growing weary of perusing the current literature of the day, and feeling ancient after toiling at "The Works," I was led to search my family library for forgotten lore. I found a volume of many "books" that gave me a line on my genealogy. I became interested, for I had not read far before I discovered that one of my progenitors was the victim of what we call at the present day "the boycott."

To give you a line on my antiquity, I will state that I come from an "old timer." He seems to have been an autocrat in his way, and surely did enjoy a monopoly. But he was one of those hard-headed old fellows who rebelled on all law and order not of his own making. He insisted on "personal liberty," hence his downfall, and hence my being at the Works.

Now, it appears from this work of many "books," that this old dad of mine was a subject of a powerful King, who set certain laws, or rules, to govern him and his people. So long as my old ancient dad obeyed these laws he and his had a monopoly, and all was well. But one day the old fellow got a "grouch" on him and said he would be a "free and independent citizen," and would not be dictated to by any one. He would run his own affairs in his own way. He talked it over with his wife, and they agreed.

The consequence: Adam could not withstand the edict of the boycott on that apple. He and his ate of the forbidden fruit. They defied the "boycott," they suffered the awful penalty of losing a monopoly—of banishment, of sin, and death.

I find a whole lot else in this volume of many "books" that is interesting reading to a student of economics, and would like to loan a volume of it to some of our recalcitrants, who think they can prosper by "kicking against the pricks," and be "free and independent citizens."

There's a whole lot more in it than bigotry, and I like many of its stories, rules, laws, etc., even though it does sanction the "boycott," which so many "learned judges" would declare illegal.

To boycott is simply a law of nature, as well as of economics, and all the injunctions in the world will not eradicate it.

BAB.

Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the National Mutual Finance and Investment Co. will be held in the Typographical Temple on Wednesday evening, March 7, 1906, at 7.30 o'clock,

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FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

The position in which W. F. Roberts, Inc., last week, and some members of the Gibson Brothers concern a couple of weeks before, placed themselves in their efforts to establish charges of violence and disorderly conduct on the part of members of Columbia Union is not a desirable or an admirable one. In the Gibson case two or three members of the concern approached a member of the union on the street, and after tongue-lashing him, one of them, about twice as large as the man they had held up, made a grab at him, constituting an assault, in which no worse injury was inflicted than scratching the victim's neck, when discretion caused the Gibson party to desist. In another case a Typothetæ member had P. C. Hilton and another arrested for disorderly conduct, to have the case summarily dismissed when brought against Judge Mullowney. Then W. F. Roberts, Inc., after following up Bela S. Feeney on the street, while the latter was peacefully pursuing his way home, and abusing him and trying to provoke him into committing an overt act, swore out a warrant against him for disorderly conduct. When the case was brought up in court witnesses swore that they believed Mr. Roberts, Inc., was drunk when the alleged disorder occurred. This case, too, Judge Mullowney dismissed promptly on the testimony. Then Roberts, Inc., roared like a bull and swore like a pirate, alleging that the witness against him had perjured themselves. These attempts to establish violence and disorder on the part of members of Columbia Union were of course intended to influence the court in the injunction suit before Judge Stafford, and in every instance miserable failure has been the result. Business men who will resort to such methods to bolster up their case must be in a desperate strait. But what do they think of themselves?

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If the Colorado and Idaho plan of breaking up trades unions is adopted in the East, as we have evidence of an attempt to do in Chicago—by the prostitution of the authorities of the law and the courts of justice—there is nothing left for the workingman but the Australianization of this country. The workingman will not be kept down in the servile condition he has occupied in the past. He is being educated out of it and to see his rights, and he is not to be bulldozed out of them by distorting the law. All other interests are permitted to combine for their own advantage, but when workingmen do it the courts do not hesitate to attempt to thwart them by making unlawful that which never was unlawful before. In Australia a systematic effort was made to break up trades unions, and not as dishonestly and reprehensibly as some are trying to do it in this country either, but by starving the members into submission, when the workingmen and their sympathizers, by the ballot, took possession of the government, and loud is the wailing because thereof. No longer are hungry immigrants brought in to compete and keep down wages; no longer do the rich escape taxation, while imposing additional burdens on the poor; no longer does hunger exist in a land of plenty; and the wails of the deposed moneybags are echoed even in our newspapers and magazines here in America. This must be a land where the law plays no favorites. The workingman must have a "square deal" or he will kick over the table and scatter the chips. But he will do it peaceably.

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The revived, revised, and rejuvenated "Knockers" have decided on March 18 as the date of their banquet and knockfest. Its close proximity to a day celebrated by a large portion of the community, quite a number of whom are fitted by nature to the purposes of this organization and belong to it, has its advantages as well as its disadvantages; the former, because many will be primed and seasoned for a continuance of festivities; the latter, because some do not so prime and season well. Owing to the exigencies of the service with which many of the Knockers are connected, it must of necessity be on a Sunday night. The management, taking kindly to a few well-chosen remarks of mine in this column on the subject recently, have decided to make the entrance fee commensurate with the enjoyment to be provided. They realize that dollar affairs can by no means lay claim to be more than "hand-me-outs," and that real banquets cost money; so the fee will be accordingly. I hope my remarks about the want of logic which impels a skate to trickle in $4 or $5 over the bar in an evening and indulge in a swoon at the thought of approximately that amount for a night of real high life have sunk into fertile soil. Let's do it right or not at all.

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It gave me a good half hour's laugh when I finally figured out the name "Yerden," signed occasionally to Strike Headquarters news, as that of an old and valued friend. It is certainly a highly original and ingenious way of hiding one's identity, and one I should not have thought of in a thousand years, or about that long. If it shall become fashionable we may look in the future for such signatures as Elkcit Mit, Regnitto J. Nhoj, Elcyc, Nnug S. Sahc, Ttoblat Notpit Mailliw, and other Welsh-looking names, with glowing poetry by Yremogtnom M. Saj. I am really pleased with it, and I hope Editor Gnir will be.

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In line with a remark I have in another paragraph, I want to quote this editorial from the Washington *Times*

AN IMPRESSIVE OBJECT LESSON.

Malcolm Donald McEacharn, ship owner and capitalist, sought to crush the Australian trades unions. With the astuteness of a loyola he laid his plans, and with the military genius of a Napoleon he struck at the opportune moment. His victory was complete. The unions were not paralyzed—they were pulverized.

Then what?

Then the laborers went into politics.

With what result?

They have conquered the municipal councils and obtained minimum wage and eight-hour day laws in all. Through state parliaments they have secured factory legislation, old-age pensions, and compulsory arbitration. "In two of the six states the labor party are the government in office, in two others they hold the balance of power, and in two others they are direct opposition." All this in eleven years.

What of the national congress—the commonwealth parliament? In the senate one-half the members are pledged Socialists; in the house of representatives the direct opposition are pledged Socialists.

One year after the defeat of the strikers, John Hancock, their leader, was sent to parliament. Last year McEacharn, lord mayor of Melbourne and union wrecker, was beaten for the house of representatives by a labor candidate.

Twelve years ago the free trade and protectionist parties divided the suffrages of the Australians between them. Today the Socialist or labor party is practically the only party that is taken seriously.

Is there no lesson of caution in this for the gentlemen who are managing and operating the coal mines in America? There is if they are wise. There is lesson in it, indeed—a most impressive lesson.

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It is rather amusing that the only strike in Baltimore is that of the non-union men in the "open shop" of Friedenwald, brought about by the refusal of the men to sign a contract, all coming out except two boys. Even non-unionists recognize the utter worthlessness of a contract which leaves the employee entirely at the mercy of his employer by containing a clause by which he can be dismissed on "failure to give satisfaction." I hear that the National Typothetæ, which owns most of the "independent workmen" who have been sent here, has been ordering them to other places in large numbers (so far as they have ever had large numbers), which indicates that they regard their fight here as hopeless.

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By the kindness of John McCormick, of the *Post*, I have received a copy of *Maryland Reporter and New Era*, published at Hyattsville by the Commercial Printing Company, which I think is composed of sons of Mr. McCormick. It is an eight-page paper, full of news, and a credit to its publishers.

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At the meeting of the Union last Sunday it was unanimously and very properly decided to stand by the law that machine offices must be time offices. The argument that the hand compositors did not and cannot earn $18 a week counted as piecework only shows that the piece scale is too low and other conditions bad. I have always looked on it as an outrage to require men to hang around an office all day long waiting for an opportunity to set a couple of thousand ems, hung up part of the time waiting for copy, and, if copy be plenty, another part of the time waiting for type. No employer treats his time hands that way, for then the loss is his, and he should not be permitted to treat piece hands so. I cheerfully admit that the employer has a right to look out for his own interests and make his business pay, but he is a consummate hog if he objects to our doing the same thing. If the prices of printing are too low, raise them, and let the employers' associations work to that end, instead of cutting each others' throats in the efforts to get work. We drive men out of our association for that offense. There is no reason why the public should expect to get its printing done for a less price than one which will enable the employing printer to pay decent wages, furnish reasonable conditions for his workmen, and make a fair profit. It is the "rats" and "scabs" among employers who do most to ruin their own business and that of the honorable employers. Nothing that cheapens the production of printing helps the employer, for the undercutters immediately reduce the price to the consumer correspondingly, and the honest man must meet the cut. I believe if they would try it they would find that "Honesty *is* the best policy," after all.

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The London (Ohio) *Times* of February 15 contains an account of the death of Mrs. Jane Waudby, mother of Special Agent William S. Waudby, of the Bureau of Labor, at that place. Mrs. Waudby, who was but fifteen years older than her son William, was born in Yorkshire, England, in 1842, and came to this country in 1857. The death cause was paralysis.

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Harry J. Redfield, of *Official Gazette*, has a delegatorial bee in his bonnet and I don't believe it would take much coaxing to get him to declare himself a candidate. If you'll all join me in efforts to convince him that there is a crying need for his services at Colorado Springs "come summer," I believe we can get him to permit his name to go on the ticket.

By the way, I was told the other day that Mike Maher, of the *Star*, has finally consented to permit his name to be used in the same connection. While of course his contest with Miss Teresa McDonald for the down-town delegateship (if Jim Kreiter doesn't annex all the delegateships to the down-town kite) is almost a hopeless one, Mike would make a splendid representative.

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Mr. Arthur E. Holder has sent me a copy of the Journal of the House of the State of Iowa, printed in the "open shop" of the Iowa Printing Company—the same that Editor Bramwood, of the *Typographical Journal*, roasted so beautifully in the February number, with such signal success, I am told, that the printing contract was taken away from the "shoemakers" and given to a union shop. It is a thing of beauty and will be a joy forever, for I shall file it in my archives. If trained monkeys could not do better printing with shoepegs and shingle nails they ought to be driven back to the barbarism from which they were snatched.

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I received a note from Joe Fleury the other day stating that he will go through Washington on his way to Columbus, Ohio, during the coming summer and will stop off and dig up his friends, of whom there are quite a bunch who will be glad to see him.

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In a letter to Gus Breuhl, "Shad" Campbell wants Columbia Union to provide a set of Dickens' works, rebound in calfskin, so that they will stand the wear and tear of the inmates, and send them to the Printers' Home—this in the way of carrying out Monroe Kreiter's book suggestion—as their present set is in a condition of collapse. In doing this "Shad" pays a compliment to the bookbinders of Washington as the best in the country. He says that a set of Victor Hugo's works would be acceptable. I am glad to note that "Shad's" taste in literature runs fairly high, as I am in this way to give publicity to his requests.

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I have received another letter from Judge W. C. Dewar, of Eureka, formerly of the Job Room, whose letter of some weeks ago I epitomized herein. Again he asks as to the whereabouts of a number of old friends, the question being a particularly hard one, as most of them are dead. Among other things he says:

My cup of happiness is full. I took Bishop Paret's advice, joined the Episcopal Church, came West, and now own my own home, have a wife and four children (two boys and two girls.) I have the biggest boy for his age in Utah—only 18 years old and weighs 180 pounds. I have not yet been converted to Mormonism, and from the present state of mind of Mrs. Dewar (who, by the way, is Scotch) I do not think it advisable to take a plural. Another thing that stands in the way is that I belong to six secret organizations. God rest the soul of Charlie Howle. I knew him as a man and a friend for years.

Among those he asks for who are still with us are Johnnie Goodrick and Ned Keefe. He says he is "only fifty and still young."

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AT HOME, AFTER DINNER, *February 25, 1905.*

The Typothetæ have dumped another hod of garbage on the Court. Whew!

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When a man has about concluded to run for office the symptoms are usually quite pronounced.

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This has been rather a hard winter on the doctors, which sort o' puts the undertakers in the hole.

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Gen. Grosvenor is not of the class who are easily separated from the Government pay-roll by reason of long and faithful service.

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The correspondent for the Record Clerks' Division has neglected to bring Harry Miller before the footlights as a father of recent date. A girl.

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The eight-hour proposition met with so little opposition in some quarters as to give the impression that seven or even six hours could be had for the asking.

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If March comes in like a lion she will go out like a lamb, and vice versa, is as true now as the ground hog saying ever was and old enough to be chloroformed.

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Major Dodge, of the Specification Proof Room, suggests this as a good way of spreading the news: Telegraph, telephone, telewoman, telewallie, and telegrimes.

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The special census-taker for the Specification Division found eight people (all males) past the age of sixty-five, the surnames of one-half beginning with B.

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Already some communities are groaning under a legacy of burdens imposed by the libraries planted by Carnegie. While they groan the steel king points to his monuments and grins.

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If the hero in the hatchet and cherry tree story had been named either MacIntire or Parry the story would have been given the same credence as if it had originated with Ananias.

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It is an omen of good will when newspaper reporters and correspondents unite in indorsing the management of affairs in the G. P. O. They have been known to do the other thing.

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P. S.—If the paper has not already gone to press, please change the Connor personal to read *girl* instead of boy, and add that papa Connor's friends of the "Spess" are glad of it, because he is.

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More than usual interest now centers in the Printers' Home, and the delegatorial fever is apparently at that pitch where nothing short of Colorado climate will bring relief to those afflicted.

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Grover Cleveland has sold his chicken farm near Princeton. The business would have been profitable only that he fell into the too common error of counting chickens that were never hatched.

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Bellefontaine (Ohio) papers last week announced that Walker Miller, late with us, was ill with appendicitis. Further information is awaited with interest as it was claimed that an operation might be necessary.

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Congress is considering the propriety of increasing the salaries of school teachers in the District of Columbia in order to prevent further exodus of good teachers to other cities, where better salaries prevail. In a list of sixteen cities Washington is at the foot of the class in salaries paid. It would be more to its credit to be first in the list.

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The Mikado government is about to issue an appeal to civilization for the extermination of rats. The proposition should also include those who harbor them. Names with Washington addresses furnished on application.

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The employing printers of Baltimore should be credited with more than an average eye to business. The good horse sense of eight-hour concessions in Washington and the crazy-horse blindness of others made the choice easy from a business standpoint.

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It is suggested that something should be done for our Ex-Presidents, so that they may not lapse into a state of innocuous desuetude. The suggestion reminds us that there might be such a thing as a bigger undertaking than aerial navigation or digging a canal across the Isthmus.

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It is a pleasure to note that the request made in these columns for a greater supply of hand-straps for overcrowded street-cars has been complied with, and that the art of spooning properly, to make each inch of space available, has been acquired by the public to a marked degree, and that as a consequence there is less room for kicking.

CYCLE.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Second Division—Night.

Now all cheer up and be good. It may not be so.

For the past two weeks it has been so quiet in this room you could hear a form drop.

"A Worker from the Works," in Monday's *Post*, is an ironical cuss, all right, all right.

The fellows who fail to show up on Monday night are generally reminded that Monday is our busy day.

Of late the supply of rumors has not met the demand, and yet I am loth to believe that the rumor committee has adopted the eight hour day.

As election draws nigh let us not forget that we have good and available timber among the rank and file for officers of the Union, and—but I pause.

G. P. O. people of to-day, like the men of Athens in years agone, are going about anxiously seeking to hear something new—hot rumors, as it were, or hot air, as it is.

As I understand it, a man is a rat because he rats, and not because he occasionally took a drink in O'Leary's two years ago or bites off a chunk of Bonini's "resignation booze" at the present time. We should be consistent in our knocking.

KASKARET.

Sixth Division.

The Rumor Committee resumed sessions on Saturday. There was something doing for a while.

It is said the G. P. O. is receiving 2,000 tons of coal, in preparation of a possible coal strike. Like the Irishman I read about, I'd like to know what's the need of the coal when the building is heated by steam.

After looking at last week's cartoon representing the Typothetæ proprietor having his whiskers trimmed, I heard a mean man say it was the picture of Capt. Barringer, of the First Division, seated in a barber's chair.

The Typothetæ has received another bump. The claim that to grant the Washington printers eight hours because of the competition of nine-hour Baltimore would be ruinous to their case no longer holds good. Baltimore granted the eight-hour day without a struggle.

In a speech before a Methodist meeting last week Terence V. Powderly recommended the passage of a law requiring all immigrants to be able to read in English the Constitution of the United States before being allowed to land in this country, but suggests the law should not go into effect until twenty years after its passage. Evidently Mr. Powderly doesn't wish to interfere with the grading work for the new union depot.

In a contest before the District Court last week, my old friend "Judge" Chas. Ennis, the proofreader lawyer, won out for the Washington Light Infantry against the manager of Chase's Theater, who sought an injunction prohibiting the use of the armory for a dog show. I am glad to see the Judge get there. Its a pleasure to note the rise of any printer in a profession which has unlimited possibilities, and takes them outside the walls of a print shop.

The Sixth Division got busy one day last week, that is just a little bit busier than usual, and the result is such that I think no member thereof need blush when he receives a small bundle of long green from the paymaster. Judging from the number of galleys, and the average per galley I should say the operaters turned in 800,000 ems of corrected type for the day. If type to the G. P. O. is worth 50 cents per 1000 ems the force earned for the shop $400. If the labor for this Division all told costs $216 per day, the proofreading for the 800,000 ems $40, the wear and tear on machinery $10, the cost to the Government for those 800,000 ems was $266, or a clear profit of $134 for the day's work of this Division, or a yearly profit of $41,942. Mr. Representative Sibley, when you are having economical dreams about the G. P. O. wad that in your pipe and smoke up. It may relieve the pain.

From the number of G. P. O. employes who have congratulated me on last week's item regarding the Marine Band, I take it as an indication that a majority of members composing different labor organizations are opposed to legislation prohibiting Marine Band members from accepting private engagements. Most people look upon music as an art and very few agree as to the artistic merit of any particular instrument or musical composition. What might please one would perhaps grate upon the sensitive musical soul of another. This I know from an experience of my own dating back to my early boyhood days when I was a member of the Tolono (Ill.) Military Band, an organization composed of eight solo artists, but the harmony of which was on the ragged edge when it came to team work. However, what we lacked in musical ability we made up for in nerve and the gorgeousness of our uniforms, which were patterned after those of the Kings Horse Guards, without the horse, and one fine summer day we found ourselves facing a large audience and playing for a prize at a band contest. When we were paraded before the judge for decision we were informed that while the band was hardly entitled to a prize for its musical attainments, the volume of noise produced was equal to any band of forty pieces in Central Illinois, and we received special mention. But in all that audience there wasn't a man, woman or child from Tolono but what felt that the pride of the village—the military band—had that day received its unjust bumps, and that it was justly entitled to first prize. The whole thing merely goes to show that the musical souls of people are not in accord on what constitutes music.

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Patrick Rolla and Daniel McVickers have gone to Norfolk.

Garnet Denham is temporarily employed in the postoffice print works.

And eight-hour Chairman Parsons—he wears the smile that won't come off.

H. L. McGowan, who has been ill for some time, is again able to be about.

The Teapotters have arrested no more of our men. Found out it doesn't pay.

W. J. Houser, who has been working at Pearson's, drew his card and hied to Baltimore.

Lewis Benedict has returned to New York after a short visit with friends in Washington.

Union politics is picking up down town. The candidates for the different honors will be plenty.

The strikers are threatened some more injunction. But they are eating and sleeping regular at that.

C. Brightwell, the youngest of our strikers, has gone to Lynchburg, where he expects to finish his apprenticeship.

J. A. Smith, for a long time an employe at Judd's, has gone to Columbia, S. C., where he will work on the *Record*.

Rats are scarce along Eleventh street nowadays, and the boys have settled down to "Just Every Day Life."

Strike situation—men firm and unchanged; Teapotters worried; were few and competent rats scarce, and no price quoted.

Col. Ruffin, who has seen service in three navies, and printed pretty much everywhere, is a daily visitor at strike headquarters.

Mr. Gus Cramer, a former Washingtonian, is now editor and proprietor of a Marshfield (Ore.) weekly newspaper. While here he worked at Adams' and "sundowned" a law course.

Otto Erdmann, one of the striking apprentices, a firm believer in an eight-hour workday, is manager of the Boys' Brigade Band, and says he is in charge of the coming musicians of the District.

The hearts of three of the striking men have been made glad by appointments in the G. P. O The friends of Messrs. Joe Becker, William Griffis, and W. D. McNelly congratulated them upon their good luck.

W. A. Kelley, of St. Joe, Mo., who has been working in town for the past three months, has gone to New York. He is a union man and a gentleman, and carries with him the best wishes of all at strike headquarters.

There was another addition to the ranks of the strikers last week in the shape of a large healthy cat. He takes kindly to his new home, gets three squares per day, and the boys have named him "Spadge" in honor of our chairman.

In their application for an injunction the Teapotters assumed that the strikers had resorted to intimidation, and had their rats "askeered." In the light of recent events it would seem that the said intimidation, like a pig with one ear, is all on the other side.

John Robinson, one of the strikers, who came out of McGill & Wallace's teapot shop at the call of the Union celebrated his eighty-seventh birthday Tuesday. Mr. Robinson joined the Typographical Society in '57, and says he intends to appropriately celebrate his fiftieth anniversary as a union man by giving the boys a blow out. Brother Robinson does not look his age, and he does not use glasses.

YERDEN.

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Star Chapel.

As the Star Chapel is at present in the limelight, the writer will endeavor to inform, for a while at least, the happenings on the eighth floor of the "Marble Building." In other words, this is his debut as a correspondent for THE TRADES UNIONIST.

The Union meeting was all right:

Our new machinist, W. S. McDonald, is delivering the goods.

Our syms. are very much in demand, especially about Friday.

Capt. Willie Dix is now a full-fledged copyholder; who'd thought it.

Young Hutch is now performing on the ivories six days per. The same can be said of a majority of the "boys."

John Gordon returned recently after a four months' spell of sickness.

H. T. Rodier, a son of "the only Cos," is a sophomore at the George Washington University.

Jack Mitchell came in last week from his sojourn in Connecticut. He "picked up" $4.33, as the work was easy.

Foreman McLean takes his day off Saturday night. Then the genial John Crutchett walks up and sits on the lid.

The four new double-magazine machines necessitated the placing of a like number of the single-deckers in the gallery.

Our overworked copy cutter got a "lift" on his pay. There are some others looking for the same kind of a "lift." Hope it materializes.

Our general orders are like this: "Operators will please pull out," "Short handed today," etc., and needless to say the sheet appears on time.

While we are in the talk about State officials, let it be known that we also have a mayor, town treasurer, and numerous other minor officers. Merit will tell.

We have a little sheet, devoted to the bowlers, that is issued every Tuesday, and has a good circulation. From all accounts T. Doran McCarthy is the editor.

With Parsons as a prospective candidate for president, and Mike Maher and Joe Whyte in the delegateship hunt, we will be in the swim when the campaign starts a-rolling.

The speech of Cos Rodier at the Union meeting had the right ring. Should Cos introduce a resolution similar to to "Funny" Roberts' may be he, too, will be sent to organize some town.

A member of this chapel is a justice of the peace in a Virginia burg. He recently sentenced a man to jail and fined him a heavy sum. Now the man he sent to jail sues him for $10,000. That's all.

About fifteen or twenty of the members of this chapel took a trip to Baltimore on Monday to take a crack at the Baltimore City newspaper duckpin bowlers. The Star team was composed of Rodrick, Harlow, Corwin, Palmer and Cromwell, The latter two are Baltimoreans and came into our fold with the Sunday *Star*. We won.

The Chicago Situation.

A letter from President Wright, of Chicago, under date of February 23, says "we are progressing fairly well with our strike affairs and work is very good in the union shops. I verily believe that if space permitted in the fair offices at least half of our boys on strike would be given employment, as the union shops are loaded to the guards with work." He says further that there is strong feeling to inaugurate a national anti-injunction league, the slogan to be "Free speech and trial by jury." Both Wright and Bessette, sentenced to thirty days in jail by Judge Holdom, are still outside of the prison.

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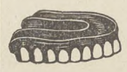
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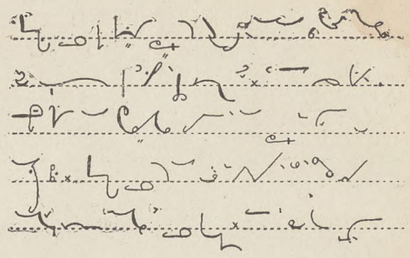

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During the last week several of the old landmarks of the Navy Yard have gone to join the great majority. The first to go was John W. Bradbury, who came to the Yard as a machinist in 1856. He was a faithful employee and a good Union man. He was found dead sitting in his chair when his landlady went to his room to call him to his breakfast. Like a good soldier he fell at his post.

The next to pass over the river was John W. Thompson, better known to every one in the Yard as "Uncle John." Mr. Thompson entered the service of the Government about 1850 and has been employed in the Yard continuously ever since. He was known by every Odd Fellow and Knight of Pythias in this city, as he had held every position in both organizations. He was one of the best men I ever knew and his death takes a warm personal friend, whose friendship with the writer was of a kind that grows stronger when adversity overtakes you. Like the psalmist of old, I feel like saying, "Let my end be like his."

The next of the trio was George Duvall, of Anacostia. Mr. Duvall was another old timer. He had severed his connection with the Yard and was leading a retired life when he was called away.

One by one the roses fall,
Drop by drop the spring runs dry,
Leaf by leaf beyond control,
Summer's beauties fade and die.

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P. H. Wilkinson, one of the best boys that ever entered the Yard, is confined to his house suffering with tuberculosis. He has made a gallant fight against the white plague, but I fear for his recovery. Pat is a Union man every day in the week and twice on Sunday.

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General superintendent Wm. Greenwood, who will superintend the construction and have general supervision of the new steel plant at Giesboro, was in the shops one day last week shaking hands with the boys with whom he was associated previous to his employment with the Pittsburg Steel Co. He assures me that the plant will be in full operation within a year and that it will give employment to several hundred workmen, many of whom will be drawn from the ordnance shops. The meeting between the writer and Mr. Greenwood was as to a father and son, As it was my pleasure when I was in a better position than at present to not only give him employment, but to start him up the ladder to success. I soon discovered the quality of the man, and I have not been disappointed. Prosperity has not developed in him that peculiar bump which I am sorry to say developed in some others that it was my privilege to start on an upward course. I do not know the technical name. It is what the police say about the Major. Some vulgar people call it "big head."

I regret that my friend, B. H. Warner, now that he has grown wealthy, is suffering with the same disease. It seems from reports that reach me that he is suffering with insomnia and, with all his wealth, much of which came from mechanics in moderate circumstances, he is in a frenzied condition for fear that the steel plant across the river is but the forerunner of a series of manufacturing establishments that may connect Washington and Alexandria. Well, there is one consolation. If poor Warner don't like a manufacturing city he can avail himself of the privilege that belongs to everyone and move out in Maryland and lock horns with friend Pearre, and become a national legislator, perhaps.

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Last Monday evening I went to Washington Hall, southeast, to hear Chas. O. Sherman, general president of the Industrial Workers of the World. The hall was only partly filled, but what the meeting lacked in numbers it made up in enthusiasm. Mr. Sherman is a forceful speaker, but is deficient in gesture. In his attempt to imitate Eugene Debs he is a failure. He produced several telling hits, many of which the writer agrees with and many of which I do not. If what he predicts will occur then in a short time will we see the millennium.

One of the strong points elucidated by him was that which I have endeavored to have the I. A. of M. establish, viz., "Get into politics." Elect your State legislators who will send a Senator to Congress who is of your own type. Elect Congressmen of your own stamp, and then we will not have to cringe the knee, not for favors but equity and justice. One thing I did not agree with him was to destroy the American Federation of Labor by accepting in its place the Industrial Workers of the World. He claimed that there were 27,000,000 wage-workers in this country and only 3,000,000 enrolled under the banner of the American Federation of Labor. If his statement be true would it not be better to say to the American Federation of Labor: You have done nobly, but as you have exhausted your efforts the Industrial Workers of the World will now gather in the other 24,000,000.

When Brother Sherman and his association performs this heroic act it will be easy then to absorb the petty 3,000,- that now call Gompers father. Work, and not hot air, is what you want, Brother Sherman.

TIM TICKLE.

THE KICKER.

Kicker was standing on his left foot, leaning against the bar, his right foot hooked over the fender, his face resting in his left hand. Apparently he was asleep.

"How d'y do, Kicker? I just left a friend of yours, a copy preparer, who was asking about you."

Kicker slowly straightened up, emitted a vigorous "Humph!" spit on the radiator, cleared his throat, and commenced:

"Those geezers up in the sunny end of the Proof Room—those editor fellows—imagine a vain thing. They make me tired, likewise furious. They mark all around everything they don't know or can't guess and leave it to the meek and lowly stunter, yclept the comp., to make it out. Why don't the king behead the whole bunch? They'd never be missed—not in a million."

"I think you are wrong about that, Kicker," I said gently. "As a general thing the copy preparer is an intelligent, painstaking, hardworking fellow-craftsman, subject to error, of course, like the rest of us, but still, in his line, the superior of most of us. Scratch the average criticiser of the preparer on the back—or belly, for that matter—and you will find an unworthy prejudice or a foolish jealousy."

"I hate to hear you talk like that, old man," said the Kicker, patronizingly. "Still I might have expected it. You've been here now about six years and never got nearer a good thing than the ring alley. I'm not blind by a jugfull, and for some time the boss in the cage has taken too durned much interest in you for something not to happen. I blowed that a month ago."

Being a modest man, I did not like the turn the conversation had taken, and excused myself on the plea that I wanted another hot sausage and some more kraut.

When returning I overheard the Kicker saying to the barkeeper: "I know that guy, all right. He can't print on the case; he does'nt know a machine from a house and lot, and couldn't work in the ring alley a minute if he didn't quill the foreman, so its only a question of time—and a d——d short time, too, I expect—until he'll go to the Proof Room and add one more to that aggregation of freaks."

I stepped back a few paces and came forward coughing vigorously, while the Kicker's unwilling listener got busy putting alcohol into the cigar lights. As my companion turned, I said:

"Well, what will you have?—I must be going."

"Give me a firkin of froth," said he, "I've had enough of booze." After crooking elbows and magnifying the mug of the mixer through the small end of a glass, I escaped from my garrulous friend on the plea of a pressing engagement. Five minutes later the third button of my vest, counting from the top down, was pressing the highly polished mahogany at the Raleigh. A disgruntled scribe on a local daily was dilating on the "utter incompetency of the lunk-head who holds down our city desk." As the paper he was cauterizing was my favorite sheet, I endeavored to shift the subject, and asked: "How is your general order?" meaning his health. Tempests and furies! I had started him on a tangent.

"Holy Mahomet, but you people at the Works have 'General Orders' galo——."

He was stopped by a hearty slap on the back from the Kicker, and "Hello B.; taking out on the big shop? Well, that fer me, by gumbo. Do you know—"

But I walked into the night,

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Plumbers Report Their Lockout and are Voted Moral Support.

FRATERNAL DELEGATE SEATED

Indorsement of Protest Against Anti-Eight-Hour Legislation—Delegates Sent to Presbyterian Ministerial Association Conference—Miss Francis A. Kellar Will Make Address at Next Meeting.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday by President Adams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, and, after correction, were approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Bottlers, No. 251: W. H. Ryan, vice G. I. Bateman.

Carriage and Wagon Workers, No. 72: Charles Wisenborn, vice Frank Willcocks.

Plumbers, No. 7: Samuel Tapp and John M. Barrett, vice Tilp and John McDonald.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Portsmouth (N. H.) Central Labor Union, relative to protest against violation of eight-hour law on Panama Canal. Placed on file.

From Tampa (Fla.) Central Trades and Labor Assembly, indorsing attitude relative to action on violation of eight-hour law in Panama Canal. Placed on file.

From Ridgway (Pa.) Trades and Labor Council, acknowledging receipt of resolution on proposed violation of the eight-hour law on Panama Canal and indorsing attitude of this body. Placed on file.

From Joplin (Mo.) Central Labor Union, stating that protest had been sent President Roosevelt against signing appropriation bill containing proposed violation of eight-hour law on Panama Canal. Placed on file.

From Baltimore Federation of Labor, stating that action was taken protesting against proposed violation of eight-hour law on Panama Canal. Placed on file.

From Baltimore Federation of Labor asking for furtherance of interest in Woodworkers Union label. Placed on file.

Rev. Dr. J. P. Skillinger was then introduced to present a proposition looking to acceptance of a fraternal delegate from the Presbyterian Ministerial Association. Dr. Skillinger was invited to take a seat with the delegates.

On motion, it was ordered that the president appoint three delegates to the Presbyterian Ministerial Association for the month of March. The chair appointed Delegates Dickman, Spohn, and Leidy.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE.

The Grievance Committee stated that they were unable to settle the Majestic Theater matter, but thought that a trip to Baltimore might produce results. At request of Musicians Union the matter was laid on the table.

The Grievance Committee reported progress on F. G. Smith Piano Co. case.

On request, the privilege of the floor was granted to Frances A. Kellor, author of "Out of Work," to address the Union at 9.30 p. m. at next meeting.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Delegate DeNedry, from special committee to visit Thornton, the shoe man, reported that Mr. Thornton had signed a contract.

Special committee to visit P. B. Otterback, grocer, reported that they had failed to meet the representative of Grocery Clerks Union.

Special committee to visit President Gompers reported proposition to aid legislation favorable to Unions affiliated with A. F. of L.

The contract presented by Engineers Union was read and referred to the Contract Committee.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Plumbers: Stated that the Master Plumbers Association had locked out the members of Journeymen Plumbers Union, and asked that moral support be tendered the Plumbers Union. They stated that the report given out by the Master Plumbers Association that the Plumbers Union had violated their contract was not correct. On motion, request was granted.

Sheet Metal Workers: Asked that a committee be appointed to visit Messrs. Moses & Duhey, who were having a large apartment house built, and an endeavor to have them employ Union labor. The chair appointed Delegates Ross, DeNedry, and Feeney on the committee.

Musicians. Asked that secretary furnish list of Unions that have indorsed placing theaters on unfair list. After some discussion the request was laid on the table.

Adjourned.

A Love Rhapsody.

I have seen her, my loved one, in varying moods,
In the sunshine of meadows, the shadow of woods;
And ever her manner is royally mild—
A rare infinite beauty, an infinite child.

And life, once a burden, it seems far above
All of sorrow or care since the maiden I love,
With her presence angelical, pitying me,
Love encompassed my soul as the land does the sea,

And I think that to die while love's presence is warm
Were to die like a song in the rush of a storm,
Were to die like regret in the light of a smile—
Sinking deathward to rapture fast-fettered the while.

So I laugh at you, priest, with your dictum of "Dust."
Let me live as I live with my heart's simple trust
That, while life is and thought is, she ever shall be
The rare, palpable, infinite beauty to me.

—WILL SUMMERSMITH.

Personal Mention.

George P. Nichols, of Baltimore, was in the city during the week, and visited strike headquarters of Columbia Typographical Union. He is enthusiastic over the success of No. 12 in securing an eight-hour day for printers in that city.

Claude B. McDonald after an absence from the G. P. O. for three weeks, due to a fall and a wrenched shoulder, started in on Thursday morning as a copy holder until he fully recovers from his injury. Claude is a prince of good fellows and counts his friends by hundreds in and out of the G. P. O., who will be pleased to know he is recovering from his late injury.

Henry M. Smith, an old time newspaper man, has again returned to the G. P. O. for the session. Mr. Smith spent some time in Chicago and Denver since he left here.

"Judge" Nowlin Dead.

A. W. C. Nowlin, secretary of the Central Union Mission, died from the effects of a fall yesterday, received while ejecting a "drunk" from the Mission.

"Judge" Nowlin was well known to printers in the G. P. O., where he at one time was a copyholder in the Spess proof room. He was a Southern gentleman of the old school, and active in religious work. In his early manhood he held many political positions of trust in Virginia. He was 71 years old, and is survived by two daughters, one of whom is blind.

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E. B. CHAMBERS.

Injunction Denied.

As we go to press we are informed that the petition of the Typothetæ for an injunction against Columbia Typographical Union has been denied. The hearing was had before Judge Stafford in the Equity Court to-day.

The claim of the Typothetæ that violence was being resorted to by the strikers was not sustained in any particular, Mr. Ralston, attorney for the Union, producing a letter written by the Typothetæ to S. S. Braddock, of Rockville, Ind., which read:

As far as running any risk in taking a position with us, there is absolutely none at all. The Union has annoyed our people to a certain extent by way of persuasion and constantly striving to make them desert the Typothetæ, but beyond that there has been no trouble whatever.

The case was well handled by Mr. Ralston, and the decision meets with the hearty approval of all citizens, who have been warm in their expression of the temperate attitude of the strikers throughout the contest.

Plumbers Lockout.

The members of Pumbers' Union No. 5 were locked out of the twenty-odd shops controlled by the Master Plumbers' Association on Monday morning.

The claim of the Union is that the bosses have too many helpers and apprentices and the result is that many of the journeymen are laid off and boys are doing the work.

The executive committee of the union will issue a statement of the trouble next week.

Annual Meeting.

The first annual meeting of the National Mutual Finance and Investment Company was held at the Typographical Temple on Wednesday evening. The president, F. Homer Melick presided, and August Donath acted as secretary. Reports of the president, secretary and treasurer were read.

W. G. Watts submitted the report of the Auditing Committee, to the effect that the books of the secretary and the treasurer were found correct.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing twelve months: President, F. Homer Melick; vice president, E. Hunt; secretary, August Donath; treasurer, Byron W. Bonnev. Directors: John Delahunty, James W. Doocy, John Loughran, Audrew McGarraghy, and T. M. Ring. Auditors: N. G. Watts, J. W. McCann and S. J. Gompers.

The secretary reported that the company now own three houses, the rental from which pays about 11 per cent., per annum above fixed charges. The earnest co-operation of members, both in the purchase and sale of property, was urged by the president and the secretary.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

The last of the different craftsmen in the Yard are having other troubles with the wage board. I refer to the bricklayers. The board refused to grant to that craft the same rate of pay as that paid in the outside shops, notwithstanding the law specifically states that the rate of pay in Navy Yards shall be regulated by the wages paid by private employers within a certain zone. The bricklayers appealed to the Secretary for redress. Their appeal met with no success, however, as the decision of the wage board was sustained. There are strong rumors that when spring opens there will be many vacant places in the Yard which will necessitate an ad—Bricklayers wanted.

Mr. George W. Patterson, the engineer who died at his post at Police Court several days ago, was well known in the Yard, being previously employed there as an engineer, before accepting an appointment with the District Government. He was a man of congenial habits and had many friends in the Yard.

Mr. Frank Price, another old-timer, has gone to seek the unknown, which we are taught by faith to be simply the change of habitation moving out from the old house to enter a new one. He had been connected with the Yard for many years as a machinist. He lived in Alexandria, and was prominent in politics in that city. At one time he was police commissioner.

I am not a mind reader, neither am I a medium, but when I stated a few days ago that the Naval Gun Factory Band would bring back from Alexandria the $75 prtze offered by the committee, for the best music furnished in the parade of February 22, I knew what I was writing. My prediction proved true, and the band has the money; yet some people say they only know how to grind out a few old tunes that other bands have discarded. Something strange about this. Wherever they play, if a prize is offered they bring home the money. I am afraid, however, that too much of this sameness will have a bad effect on the director, as he has arrived at that point that a "leetle more" will snap the string and I will be compelled to announce the fact that our handsome conductor has exploded.

The Legislative Committee of Columbia Lodge of Machinists, accompanied by their attorneys, Lancaster and Smith, appeared before the Naval Committee of the House, Saturday, March 3, in the interest of such legislation that will take from the wage board of the Yard the regulating of the pay of the mechanics. When the bill was referred to Secretary Bonaparte he returned it with his disapproval, defining it as "class legislatton." The committee believe this to be a weak definition, knowing well that all the other Government departments and even private shops are paying more wage to their employees than Uncle Sam allows to his employees in the Naval Gun Factory. The committee was well supplied with data showing not only the injustice done as regards the wage, but also the difference in the cost of gun manufacture in the Yard and that of the private contractor; also the difference in the quality of the work. I do not believe that Congress has the least idea as regards the great plant called the Naval Gun Factory, as to its capabilities and advantages to the Government. To enlighten them Columbia Lodge, though its Committee, has prepared data and evidence that ought to convince any fair-minded man (unless he is personally interested otherwise) that we are entitled to the same benefits as allowed other Government employees.

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Queer accidents often occur in a manufacturing plant. Recently one happened in the Yard out of the ordinary: Mr. John M. Mittendorf, draftsman, in charge of installing motors in the Yard, and thus changing from steam to electric power, accompanied by Foreman George Brown, paid a visit a few days ago to the electric power house in his professional capacity for the purpose of securing necessary measurements for drawings. Mr. Mittendorf is unfortunate in two respects, first, in being extremely near-sighted; second, that he is a professional "star gazer." Which defect was the cause of the accident I was unable to learn, but it just happened. In passing through the power house he failed to discover that one of the main conduits was uncovered, and, in the twinkling of an eye Brother Mittendorf had left terra-firma and was floundering in oil and dirty water waist deep. After several efforts, in which a derrick had to be used, he was extricated. There was blood in his eye, and anger in his heart toward Foreman Brown, as he exclaimed: "You wilfully led me into this trap!" In vain did Foreman Brown plead ignorance. What to do to make him presentable was the question. After consultation between the several foremen and master mechanics, the matter was settled in this way: That morning Foreman Brown had taken advantage of the semi-annual reduced sales of clothing by Bieber & Kaufman and had purchased a new suit, and as both of the gentlemen are of the same dimensions it was decided that Mr. Brown should loan Mr. Mittendorf the suit of clothes until such time as the soiled suit could be cleaned and returned. This was satisfactory to both parties. The joke now turns on Foreman Brown. When the soiled suit was sent to the cleaning establishment it was promptly returned with a statement that nothing could be done with it. Mr. Mittendorf is now not only wearing a new suit, but also a smile that won't evaporate, while Foreman Brown—well I better not say what he is saying, as he holds an office in a prominent church in Baltimore and many of the employees of the G. P. O. sit with him in the amen corner.

For a week or so the employees of the Yard who have an interest in the Congressional Cemetery have been on the "qui vive," owing to a notice that appeared in the daily papers that a meeting of the lot holders would be held at Naval Hall southeast, March 2, at 8 o'clock. When the hour arrived the hall was packed with men and women, all wondering what was to follow. The matter was soon explained when Mr. Geo. C. Henning took the platform as the signer to the called meeting and stated that the meeting was called to consider a bill that had been offered in Congress giving the vestry of Christ's Church the power to dispose for burial sites that portion of the Congressional Cemetery as the Government claimed, for the purpose of enabling the vestry to add to its finances, it being stated that the cemetery was not at present in a paying condition. Mr. Henning stated it was his wish that five gentlemen be appointed to examine the bill and report that evening as to whether it should pass or not. This program was frustrated by Mr. Judson T. Cull, who went into details regarding the mismanagement of the funds of the cemetery, which was not appreciated by Mr. Henning, who called him to order. Mr. Cull had the people with him, however, and by unanimous consent, he was given such time as necessary to make his statement, which in the end proved not very complimentary to the management. While the meeting was a "grave" affair the "undertaker" brought out many points of a ludicrous nature. While the writer was as much interested as anyone present in the success of that beautiful city of the dead, he could not but smile on the conditions as they were presented, particularly with several of the participants in the debate. One gentleman with a very bald head interested me when he stated that he was a Methodist 'til he died, and, while he looked on that denomination as the best road to Paradise, he had no serious objections to other denominations, and was willing to give his best efforts to ferret out and punish graft, whether it be by a member of Congress or the gravedigger. Many other statements made by the bald head man were such as to bring to his feet a very large gentleman, who stated that when he worked on the night shift in the Yard he spent the day in the cemetery, and when on the day shift, vice versa, and he gave as his opinion that everyone but he was wrong, and that the cemetery was the most beautiful spot on earth and the best conducted. This statement by the fat man aroused the ire of an elderly lady, who in an excited manner (though trying to keep cool with the use of a fan) denied every statement made by the fat man. Several other parties engaged in the discussion, among whom was a gentleman with a nasal affection, who stated that he had been a constant visitor to the cemetery for thirty years and failed in that time to ever see the fat man there. The meeting wound up by the body selecting the committee in place of the chairman. The committee elected were instructed to not only look into the bill pending before Congress, but to fully investigate the management of the officials of the cemetery and report at another meeting to be called when the committee has concluded its work. The committee are as follows: Judson T. Cull, John H. Shelton, Wm. H. Dennis, T. Edward Clark and Julius W. Tolson.

Since the adjournment of the meeting, Mr. Geo. C. Henning, has through the press, announced that he will sever all connections with the matter pending, as his sympathies are with the officials of Christ's Church and its management of the cemetery and not with the holders, as represented at the meeting called by him.

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OBITUARY.

It is with regret when I announce the death of little Dorothy, the only child of our esteemed chief clerk, Frank Bronaugh. It is sad, indeed, when death enters our home and takes one rose-bud from the many; but when the destroyer enters and takes the only blossom that the Master has entrusted to our keeping the grief is more poignant. In this, their hour of affliction, THE TRADES UNIONIST extends its sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Bronaugh.

TIM TICKLE.

A HANDFUL OF PI.

Senator Tillman can likewise wield a tuning fork.

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The chronic faultfinder would have nervous prostration if there was nothing to find fault with.

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PRETTY WEDDINGS.

'Twas a match of wealth and station,
She an heiress, he a lord.
For the wedding demonstration
Wealth unstinted was outpoured,

And their friends in kind remembrance
Gave them jewels, gave them gold,
While a wedding march majestic
Through the great cathedral rolled.
But the papers called it "pretty."

Should the ossified Apollo
Wed the fat girl huge and slow,
And a street procession follow
Just to advertise the show,
With the groomsman swallowing daggers,
Broadswords, hatchets, hoes and rakes,
And the snake-charmer as bridesmaid
In a living veil of snakes—
Sure they'd call the wedding "pretty."

Brothers, sisters, kindly shedding
Light on social happenings,
Wherefore should you class a wedding
Thus with ordinary things?
'Tis a high and sacred function,
Gorgeous, if you will, or grand,
Beautiful, impressive, joyous.
But 'tis hard to understand
How the deuce you make it "pretty."

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It would be rather severe on the Typothetæ if the National Manufacturers' Association should fail to nurse it through its attack of injunctitis.

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HER EXAMPLE.

Oh, Panama, Isthmian jewel,
The pride of the brave and the free.
With joy in its zest almost cruel
We have found an example in thee!
And we hope our devoted Commission,
Emulating a land free from blood,
Will bring the big ditch to completion
With their garments untainted by mud.

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The man with the hoe may have some appreciation of the great painter who made him famous, but it takes the glowing pictures of the political hot-air artists to land him.

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FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

It is not to be presumed that anyone seriously contemplates reducing the wages of the Government Printing Office workpeople to $3 a day in these times of high prices for everything, but supposing it were, let us analyze it. To begin with, that is a lower wage than any other class of skilled workmen receive in this District. It is almost impossible to rent a house in Washington for as little as $20 a month and the great majority pay more than that; table necessaries under the most modest conditions will cost at least a dollar a day; and the other essentials of life will more than eat up the beggarly $36 left. But suppose a man can live and keep his family on $3 a day, is he entitled to no more than a living for his work? Is the workingman the only individual on earth who is entitled to no profit on his investment? For it is an investment as surely as is the cash with which to open a mercantile establishment. He invests four years of his life in obtaining the necessary skill to be able to do the work, and he is investing his life from year to year—a species of capital that in this rushaday age depreciates very rapidly and is out of demand much sooner than formerly.

J. Dexter Kehoe once said to me that the workingman who does not save at least 20 per cent of his wages is losing money—expending his life without getting an adequate return. Then his wages should be sufficient to enable him to support those dependent upon him and save 20 per cent; and he should not be expected to live like a dog in order to do that. What different is the life of a man from that of a horse if his wages only support life? He is not as fortunately situated, for the horse receives as much when out of work as when his services are in demand.

It is true that the salary habit begets unthrift, and the great majority of men would not have anything with *any* salary. But that is human nature, and you cannot reform human nature. It is a very fortunate trait of human nature for business men, for he who earns and spends all of his salary in his vassal. When the workingman stops spending his income—whether because he has none or because he saves a large portion of it (a thing impossible of contemplation except for purposes of speculation)—trade correspondingly languishes, beginning with the groceryman and extending to the banker.

Suppose the workingman, receiving enough to enable him to save a portion, does not do so, is that an argument against his right to it, leaving out of consideration the man who does save? Do you find fault with the merchant, the professional man, the exploiter who lives up to his income and does not enlarge his business? Do you say his profits, fees, or commissions are too large because, being able to save something, he does not do it? No, but you think he is in hard lines if his income is not such as to enable him to save something if he would.

There is not another so sickening a term as "living wages." It is the remuneration of the horse, the ox, the dog. Every living man who renders service should receive a compensation that will leave him a profit.

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Henry Thurston, for a number of years a copy holder in the Main Proof Division, died last Monday, at 3.40 p. m., at his residence, 67 N street northwest, and his remains have been taken to Albert Lea, Minn., for interment. Mr. Thurston was 74 years old and for some months has shown that his powers were failing. I believe he was not a practical printer.

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The surrender of Stormont & Jackson last week is the first break we have made in the Typothetæ ranks for several weeks, but it is only a question of a very short time until the others come in or carry out the program laid out for himself by Byron S. Adams, president of the Typothetæ. Said he: "They may take my men away from me until they get down to the last man, and when they get him I will nail up the door and go out of business." He will then have a "closed shop" indeed. One of those who recently came out of his office said the condition of the office is inconceivable to one who has not seen it. Worse havoc could not have been wrought if there had been a deliberate attempt to wreck it. Every face and size of type is to be found in every case and pi is scattered everywhere. Verily, the way of the transgressor is hard.

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Last Monday the Senate passed the Platt bill granting the employes of the Government Printing Office full thirty days' leave with pay, exclusive of Sundays and holidays, and placing those on monthly and annual salaries on an equality with those in the other Departments regarding sick leave with pay. It is believed that the House will promptly pass the bill also if given an opportunity.

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Boston Typographical Union, No. 13, is issuing weekly the *Typographical Bulletin* to give the strike news. The progress being made is slow but regular, and that success is inevitable is beyond doubt. It publishes lists of the fair and unfair offices, as well as of unfair publications, among which I notice my old friend, *The Black Cat*, which I shall cut out until it becomes a square little pussy. Others that might get this far from home are *Modern Women*, *Engineering Journal*, *The Green Bag*, *Love's Labor*, *Boston Budget*, *Modern Housekeeping*, *Indoors and Out*, *The Musician*, and *The Protectionist*. If you have any of these on your list, cut them out.

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The *Star* of last Tuesday had a dispatch to the effect that thousands of Hungarian and Slavic coal miners are returning to Europe, not caring to go through another strike. And they had not had a dose of the Colorado method of dealing with strikers either.

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It was only the other day that I read a dispatch from St. Paul that the rat concern there which had been printing the laws of the State had given up its contract because of want of influence to have a special session of the Legislature called to extend the time for the completion of the work, and now I find this in the newspapers:

Members of the St. Paul Typothetæ can have no more city printing.

The council has unanimously adopted a resolution requiring the union label on city printing.

There is no doubt but that Mayor R. A. Smith will sign the resolution.

The resolution was a shrewd move by the striking printers who are seeking to enforce an eight-hour day in job printing establishments in St. Paul. It had the backing of the St. Paul branches of organized labor.

It was introduced and sent through quietly without arousing discussion.

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James H. Brooke, of the G. P. O., has been granted a patent for a non-refillable bottle, which experts have pronounced "just the thing." If it proves a commercial success, he can put in the rest of his life watching the daisies grow.

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Detective McParland, who worked up the job by which the president and the secretary of the Western Federation of Miners were arrested in Denver and carried off to Idaho for alleged complicity in the murder of ex-Governor Steunenburg, says the members of the union generally are not being held blamable for the murder. He said the same thing about the miners' union in Pennsylvania when running the Molly Maguires to earth, it will be remembered, but when the affair was over there was no miners' union, and it looks to me like that is the program now.

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The Teapotters are wearing the smile that won't come on.

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Jeff. D. Newlon, for fourteen years proofreader at Byron S. Adams, and having the natural artistic interest in compositors bulls, sent the particulars of a fine one to Johnny Ottinger, who having retired from the field, turns it over to me. A priest who wrote a hand like a boxing glove had sent in the following item for publication in the *Parish Guide*:

Attention is called to our Sunday afternoon meetings, held at 4 o'clock. The object of these services is to gather in the unchurched who are strolling at this hour.

Chris Fechtig made the last seven words read "unwashed who are standing at the door."

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The Knockers have finally decided on March 25 as the date of their banquet and the Ebbitt as the hostelry. I am glad to see that they have fixed the entrance fee at a price at which a banquet can be served. It operates well in two ways—guarantees a good feed and keeps out the cheap skates.

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Working overtime is selling one's health for future delivery.

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My friend Charles F. Sudwarth sent me, the other day, "The Closed or Open Shop—Which?" written by that prince of fakirs, Elbert Hubbard, and circulated with the "Compliments of the Brown Folding Machine Company, Erie, Pa." I am under obligations to Mr. Sudwarth, whose unionism is not based on self-interest alone, but on an abiding belief and experience that it is right, for many of the documents our enemies are sending out. "Fra Elbertus" is a fakir right. His "Roycrofters" mill at East Aurora, N. Y., is stocked largely with men who have "gone wrong" and who, consequently, are not wanted generally by employers, to subject their honest workmen to their contact, but whose attractiveness to Hubbard is that in order to get work at all they will work cheap. His fake "Little Journeys" are written with no deeper research than into the biographical dictionaries, in keeping with the rest of his life work, and his lectures are combinations of bizarre expressions, irreverence, and gall. I am rather glad that Hubbard is opposed to trades unions, for his denunciation is worth more than his indorsement would be.

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Says the Houston (Tex.) *Post:*

A man may dig and fret and swear,
And hustle like a dog;
The things he grows ne'er look like those
In the seed catalogue.

I have also noticed that—

A man may strive and fume and sweat—
At ev'ry detail look;
His job will ne'er come up to that
Found in the spec'men book.

As well as that—

A wife may stand around the range
Until all red her looks,
But she can never cook a meal
By reading the cook books.

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Henry Rush Boss, of Chicago, former president of the Chicago Society of Proofreaders and a well-known writer in the *Typographical Journal*, recently had a letter in the Chicago *Chronicle* advocating a Franklin Day for the schools, as they now have a Washington Day and a Lincoln Day. Many thinkers estimate Franklin as the greatest man America has produced—great because he made himself great without the aid of opportunity or circumstance, and great in every particular thing to which he applied himself.

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A novel way of fighting has been inaugurated in Chicago. The city directory is to be published by R. R. Donnelly & Co., and the canvass for names is going on now. The scheme is for all union men and their sympathizers to give the name "John Smith" and so make the work worthless when issued. But what a boom it will be for the Smith family!

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A letter from Organizer John A. McPherson, of Boston, to Chairman "Spadge" Parsons, of the Eight-Hour Committee, states that John Kiernan is ratting there and has been ever since the strike started—not that this will be news to anybody particularly, for everybody who knew him knew that he would rat at the first opportunity. He is so filled with the religion of selfishness that he will never be a union man at heart. He couldn't even understand why it was necessary that his boy whom he left here, and who was dismissed as a messenger for pilfering, should be discharged, though he was only saved a term in the Reform School by friends taking him to his father. If he had lived in the times of the Savior, whom he professes to worship while really worshiping himself, he would have ratted Judas Iscariot out of his job and done the work for half of the thirty pieces that Judas got. We have two here refusing to pay their cards, making much the same professions as this Boston rat, who would even have beaten Kiernan to it and have done it for five.

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It looks to me as though Friedenwald, of Baltimore, will have to abandon his trade-mark, "The oldest rat office in the South."

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The Methodist Ministers' Association of Chicago recently passed the following resolution, which does not indicate any sympathy with the Methodist Book Concerns that have recently decided to run rat offices under the false name of "open shops:"

Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting that the injunction of Judge Holdom's court of October 11 last, as far as it restrains the members of Typographical Union No. 16 from using fair arguments and persuasion with the non-union typesetters, is un-American in principal and inimical to a proper regard for our courts and our laws.

Therefore we, the Chicago Methodist preachers' meeting, sincerely hope that Judge Holdom's court will reconsider and modify this injunction.

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Rat work doesn't need any label, it speaks for itself.

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An organizer from here went down into Virginia on an organizing trip last week and set unions up in business in Harrisonburg, Staunton, and Danville, or got the machinery in motion. He found all of the towns more or less drained of everything that could set type, gathered in to fill the "open shops." Robert B. Smythe, formerly hereof and once a candidate for president of Columbia Union, now publishing one of the best papers in that section, rendered efficient aid in organizing the union at Harrisonburg; in fact, he has been working to that end for a year or so. Mr. Smythe left here "with a shoestring" eight or nine years ago, and now he has $20,000 in newspaper property and real estate, and is making more every day.

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Some one (I suspect Lon Shimp) sent me a copy of the *Seattle Sunday Times* of February 25, consisting of 160 pages, the postage on which was 11 cents. The occasion was the silver jubilee (of Seattle, I suppose) and it is a magnificent specimen of the modern newspaper.

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An earthly progenitor—pop, father or dad—
And yet it is true—an acknowledged fact without flaw—
That there's a tree among trees well known as paw paw.
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MIKE.

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Pearson's—F. O. Hart.
Interstate—A. J. Huckins.
Milans—J. A. Berkeley.

AROUND THE PRINTERIES.

Star Chapel.

C. L. Kneipp is confined to his home with a very bad cold.

Fred Decker is still suffering with a bad attack of rheumatism.

Joe Supplee is spending a week's vacation at his home in Del Ray, Va.

Harry Simpson has charge of the bureau ads in the absence of Supplee.

Don Murray is the foreman of Long Primer, with Alex Watson as his assistant.

Albert B. Cookus spends his day off every week at his old home in West Virginia.

There are seventy-six votes in this chapel, prospective candidates. The early bird, etc.

Bill Dawson and J. H. Devlin, subs, are getting in six days per. Let the good work keep up.

W. W. McCollum has exchanged places with Charlie Ferguson, the latter going to the gallery squad.

Bill Snyder was called to his former home, Sheppardstown, W. Va., by the death of his mother. He has the sympathy of his fellow employes.

It is to be hoped that in the settlement of the down-town newspaper scale that the committee can see a way clear to do away with that five and four-hour overtime gift. Let us have the benefit of overtime as well as the other offices.

George Rippard, who was at one time secretary of Baltimore Union, but now of this chapel, has been blessed with an addition to his family. It was a boy.

From what I have heard that Baltimore trip was a glowing success. On behalf of the Washington bowlers Harry Sauter extended the invitation for a return series.

Benny Wood, one of the men who walked out of Howard's "works" is subbing on this paper. Ben is a good printer and here's hoping that he'll soon be a regular.

Willie Crutchett, son of the assistant foreman, will graduate from the apprenticeship to the journeyman's ranks this June. Then Ralph Prescott will be foreman of the boys.

S. M. White, formerly president of Atlanta Union, and who represented that Union at the Chicago convention in 1893, operates one of the double-deckers in this office.

Everybody wanted to read last week's TRADES UNIONIST. The reason? It contained half column of briefs pertaining to the force. Chairman Joe Whyte will take your subscription.

Isaac B. Field and John Castell were honored by their brethren by being elected master of their lodges, Pentalpha and St. Johns. This chapel has quite a few secret fraternity men within its ranks.

'Arry Williams, who was on the Philadelphia *Inquirer* before the strike, but now with us, has difficulty is selecting the right ones in the right places. Cheer up, 'Arry, they'll be here in a short while.

Why not a series of duckpin games between the *Post*, *Times* and *Star* for the championship between the newspaper offices? The *Post* and *Star* have organized leagues, but there are some pretty fine bowlers in Mr. Hack's "factory."

It seems to be the consensus of opinion among those who profess to know, that if we could do away with the reproduction of the magazine section that our week's leave would be restored. The magazine can be set, corrected and made up—by two men—in eighteen hours. It therefore seems a pity that the matter cannot be overcome, but the Union law is very specific.

RINGMAN.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll. N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

DOWN-TOWN, BY THE WAY.

H. J. Lowe, striker, is now employed at Bell's.

W. G. Baxter, has gone to Staunton, Va., to work.

Harry G. Haywood, striker, is working at Dunn's.

And P——s wears the s——e that won't come off.

James Hunter, striker, has accepted work at Judd's.

Ed Owens, striker, is now working at the Graphic Arts.

Dick Cromwell is performing at the Brewood print shop.

E. P. McDevitt, striker, is now with the *Knights of Labor Journal.*

James L. Gittings, an old timer from Iowa, is in the city among friends.

Pat Siggins, J. I. Tomlin, and J. J. Wade are setting type at Saxton's.

The market down-town: Union, strong, firm, and respected; rat, paniky and scarce.

Colton Harrison, R. H. Miller, Charlie Axe, and Wade Jackson put in a few days at the Law Reporter.

Rev. Mr. Skellenger, pastor of the Sixth Presbyterian Church, is expected to address the strikers in the near future.

Wm. C. Little, a member of the Newspaper Writers' Union, of Pittsburg, is in the city. He is director of publicity for Luna Park.

A letter received from W. A. Kelley, now in New York, reports 6,000 men working eight hours or less, and only about 500 men out.

F. C. Roberts, the man who does things, has returned from an organizing trip through Virginia. He was given a warm welcome home.

I have heard a great many expressions of regret from the down-town printers because of the death of Mr. Milans. He was an old-timer.

Chas. Lucas has returned from Virginia, whither he had been to attend the funeral of his mother. He has the sympathy of all at headquarters in his bereavement.

I said last week that Union politics would soon pick up. It is so. Bela S. Feeney, the urbane and gentlemanly striker in charge of the eight-hour headquarters, has shied his castor into the ring, and will stand for one of the credentials to Colorado Springs. His hosts of friends, etc.

Our great and good friend, Philip Steele, visited headquarters this week, and while there, gladdened the hearts of all present with one of his whole souled, heart-to-heart talks on Unionism.

Harry Livoni, general organizer for the International Journeymen Tailors' Union, is in the city. He has been invited by Chairman Parsons to make strike headquarters his hedaquarters while here.

Say, "Pard," is this better?

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FREE LECTURES TO THE PEOPLE.

A Splendid List of Subjects For Lectures During Next Week.

The Free Lectures to the People for next week are particularly attractive. One can go traveling very cheaply on Monday to Porto Rico, on Wednesday to London, and on the Monday following to China. On Tuesday, March 20, one can see Jerusalem, and on the following day one can stand in Sun Rise Land or Japan. To travel so far in two weeks without even having to take time off is certainly a wonderful benefit and the workingmen and women of Washington will neither be sea-sick, nor hot nor dusty, nor extravagant if they take these trips by going to the illustrated lectures during the next two weeks. One is never tired of hearing of such a woman as Harriet Beecher Stowe and the "Bravery of the Colored Soldier" was soon recognized.

When the first colored regiments were recruited in New York there were riots, hisses, cat-calls, and groans, but when the second, third, and fourth colored regiments left New York they were cheered on their way by the entire populace; since then many deeds of valor have been achieved by them.

It is very appropriate to hear about Paul Jones in March, because that is the one hundredth anniversary of his death. Paul Jones was the first to carry the American flag into foreign seas and to get a full-fledged salute for our new flag from a foreign power; he was the first to whip England, the proud mistress of the seas. With his vessels sinking beneath him the British once asked him to surrender, and he cried, "Why, I haven't begun fighting yet," leaped upon their vessel with his men, fought the British soldiers and sailors on their own ship, and won in the teeth of every obstacle. Prof. H. Marion is a professor at Annapolis Naval Academy, and accompanied the United States squadron of warships this past summer to Cherbourg, France, where, with military honors, the remains of John Paul Jones were received from the French Government and escorted back to the country he did much to make and keep, "The Land of the Free."

The lectures will begin promptly at 8 p. m. The location of the centers are as follows: Public Library, Seventh and Massachusetts avenue northwest; Eastern High School, Seventh and Pennsylvania avenue southeast; Zion Baptist Church, F street southeast; and Armstrong Training School, P street between First and Second streets northwest.

The following is the program for the next two weeks:

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Monday, March 12. Charles F. Warren. "Porto Rico."
Monday, March 19. Granville Hunt. "China."

EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL.

Tuesday, March 13. Prof. H. Marion. "Paul Jones."
Tuesday, March 20. Rev. C. H. Butler. "From New York to Jerusalem."

ZION BAPTIST CHURCH.

Wednesday, March 14. W. Johnson. "London."
Wednesday, March 21. J. O. Spencer, Ph. D. "In Sun Rise Land."

ARMSTRONG MANUAL TRAINING SCHOOL.

Thursday, March 15. Mr. Thomas Clark. "The Colored Soldier."
Thursday, March 22. Mrs. Mary C. Terrell "Harriet Beecher Stowe."

Announcement.

I take pleasure in announcing through THE TRADES UNIONIST to my friends and acquaintances that I am associated with The Campbells, *Tailors for Men*, 1326 New York avenue northwest.

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EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES.

Miss Francis A. Kellor will Address Central Labor Union.

The Central Labor Union has invited Miss Frances A. Kellor to address the members and their wives and sweethearts on Monday, March 12th. Because of important business the regular meeting will not close until 9.30 p. m. From 9:30 p. m. until 11.30 p. m. the program will be under the charge of the Public Educational Association of Washington, which has always worked in cooperation with the Central Labor Union in regard to Free Lectures to the people, child labor, compulsory education, the juvenile court, and other wise and necessary labor legislation. Miss Kellor belongs to the modern band of very earnest young ladies who want to amount to something in this world and whom the sacred cause of Labor fires with enthusiasm. When just out of school she undertook the investigation of the prisons of the United States and wrote several articles in that direction, which had marked result.

It was while doing her work in the prisons that she began to realize how large a factor in crime and misfortune was to be found in the employment offices in this country. Chicago, New York, Toronto, Baltimore, and now in its turn, Washington, have all come under her keen examination. She found in some cities that employment agents would engage hundreds of men, taking the fee from each one, then shipping them like cattle to some other city where, likely as not, they would find they were to be used as strike breakers. Now in this strange city these workingmen found themselves stranded without a penny, and they had either to work as strike breakers or tramp it home or starve to death in a strange city.

The troubles of girls looking for employment as nurses, cooks, waitresses, and general house workers are in no wise less than the troubles of their brothers; they are obliged to pay a fee in advance; they often have to leave their trunk in the employment agent's hands; they are often sent unknowingly to places dangerous to their souls; they are bullied, cheated, and cajoled out of their money. Of course, there are some good employment agencies, and these have lately formed a federation in New York City to fight the unjust agents by every legal means.

There ought to be a union of the "middlemen" between Labor and the employers, because their interests ought to lie with the great body of the people which seeks employment. Some unions run an employment agency for benefit of their members, but these are unable to place men and women working in other lines. The reputable agents who are engaged in doing an honorable business will no doubt be formed into a union in Washington and affiliate with the American Federation of Labor, sending delegates to the local Central Labor Union. But whether this happens or not, immediately, the state of the case as it now stands is to be laid before the Central Labor Union. It is to be hoped that some good will result, as no one should be cheated out of hard-earned dollars. The ladies of the various Auxiliaries of Washington will be as interested as their brothers and husbands in this movement, started by a woman and carried on very largely by women, in behalf of both men and women seeking employment.

The Public Education Association promises to furnish some good old songs of Scotland, Ireland, Germany and other countries, and altogether the meeting promises to be of unusual interest. The talented young author of "Out of Work" (Miss Frances Kellor's latest book) ought to be given an ovation and have a splendid audience when she reaches us from New York on Monday night.

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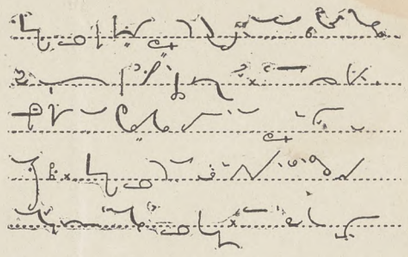

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NEW YORK PUBLICATIONS.

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A temporary injunction prevents the officers of Typographical Union No. 6 from "requesting or advising" their friends to withdraw their patronage from the Butterick publications and patterns, which include "The Delineator," "The Designer," "The New Idea Magazine," and these patterns: Banner, Butterick, La Belle, New Idea, Martha Dean, Standard, Home Dressmaker, Little Folks, and Metropolitan Fashions.

This list should be brought to the notice of the wives and daughters of all organized wage-earners, for, while the members of No. 6 are enjoined from "requesting or advising" their friends to cease purchasing these magazines and patterns, the injunction does not, of course, apply to wage-earners who are not members of the unions named in that injunction.

"McClure's" magazine, because of its price, is purchased largely by wage-earners. This publication in the past has boasted of its fairness to labor unions. On January 2 its publishers showed their contempt for the patronage of wage-earners by locking out their old employees. Since "McClure's" prefers the support of the Posts and Parryites, all wage-earners should immediately withdraw their patronage and request their friends to do likewise.

The "St. Nicholas" magazine for children also is largely supported by the patronage of men and women who are members of trade unions or in sympathy with them. The publishers of "St. Nicholas" could well afford to grant the reasonable request of the printers. Yet they refused, and therefore are not deserving your support, as "St. Nicholas" is printed by "scabs."

Among engineers, machinists and kindred trades are many subscribers to "Power" and the "American Machinist," two periodicals issued by the Hill Publishing Company, one of the most prosperous printing establishments in New York City. "Power" and the "American Machinist" are printed by "scabs" and none but "scabs" should patronize them.

All books which bear the imprint of Doubleday, Page & Co. are the products of "scab" compositors. They should be left to rot on the shelves of the merchant who offers them for sale.

Typographical Union No. 6 has increased the benefits to its locked-out members to $10 and $15 per week to single and married members respectively.

Union Directory.

American Federation of Labor—Headquarters Typographical Temple, 423-425 G street northwest. Sam'l Gompers, President; Frank Morrison, Secretary.

INTERNATIONALS.

International Association of Machinists, Headquarters, rooms 402-407 McGill Building, 908-914 G streets northwest. James O'Connell, president; D. Douglass Wilson, vice-president and editor of the *Journal*; George Preston, Secretary-Treasurer.

Journeymen Stonecutters' Association of North America.—Headquarters, 803 Fifth street northwest. James F. McHugh, General Secretary-Treasurer.

Plate Printers of North America. International Steel and Copper. T. L. Mahan, 319 S street northeast.

LOCAL AUXILIARIES.

Allied Printing Trades Council meets last Thursday in the month at Typographical Temple. Elmer Johnson, Secretary, No. 2009 Flagler street northwest.

Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13, of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101. Mrs. Bert V. Wolfe, president, 235 Massachusetts avenue northwest; Mrs. E. H. Thomas, secretary, The Bertholdt, 128 Maryland avenue southwest. Meets at Typographical Temple third Monday in each month.

STRUCTURAL BUILDING TRADES.

Structural Building Trades Alliance of America, Washington Branch, meets every Tuesday at 8 p. m. Hall No. 3, Costello's Hall, Sixth and G streets northwest. Thos. E. Arnold, President; James S. O'Hagan, Secretary, 507 S street northwest.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 722 Sixth street northeast.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

Bricklayers, No. 1, meets second and fourth Thursdays in each month at Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. Milford Spohn, Secretary, 1238 Eighth street northwest.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Joseph Hutton, Chairman, 809 F street southwest; H. Burns Secretary, 1960 Second street northwest; Wm. Cronin, 1415 Thirty-sixth street northwest; Timothy Costello, 37 K street northwest; James French, 614 K street southeast.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5, meets every Friday night at 7.30, in Hall 1, Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. George W. Nyman, Secretary, 1253 Eighth street northwest.

Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

Electrotype Molders and Finishers, No. 17, I. S. and E. U. Meets Wonn's Hall, 721 Sixth street northwest, the first Thursday of each month. H. C. Poppe, Secretary-Treasurer.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, Amalgamated, No. 148, meets second and fourth Wednesdays at 922 Pennsylvania avenue n. w. Martin Hellmuth, Secretary, 609 D street southwest.

Plate Printers Union, No. 2, meets on second Sunday in each month at 2.30 p. m., at Typographical Temple, 425 G street northwest. J. Edward Beach, President; J. C. Staats, Secretary, Kensington, Md.

Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Union, No. 11773, meets the first Tuesday in each month at 7.30 p. m., Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. Frank F. Hartwell, Secretary, 810 Twentieth street northwest.

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, First Branch, meets every alternate Monday evening at 610 G street northwest, Building Trades Hall. President, R. R. Rhodes. Financial and Recording Secretary, Fred Hook, 1034 Sixth street northeast. Business Agent, W. F. Gilmore, 624 Sixth street northwest.

Tile Setters Helpers, Local No. 12, meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month in Room No. 3, Building Trades Halls, 624 Sixth street northwest. J. Pettis, Recording Secretary, 3409 N street northwest.

Washington Feeders and Assistants No. 42, meets the first Thursday in each month at Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Miss Josephine Mulcahy, Secretary, 29 N street northwest.

Steam Fitters, L. B. No. 10, N. A., meets the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. S. D. Zea, Secretary, 2108 G street northwest.

AFTER-DINNER DILATIONS.

AT HOME, AFTER DINNER, *March 4, 1906.*

All this rag-time talk about old rags for waste seems like a waste of time.

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The Typothetæ may be likened unto the Chinese, in that they show a preference for rats.

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Ananias would have hard work getting entered to the infant class of present day liars.

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The Knockers' Club is increasing its membership, and is holding day and night sessions.

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The railroad rate bill has served as a gang-plank between Senator Tillman and the White House.

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We are rather proud of the "After-Dinner" cigar, because the quality sustains and increases its reputation.

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History will record the Typothetæ people as a clan of the twentieth century who did the foolish thing by biting off their noses.

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We would like to suggest to those people who are already laying in a stock of next season's worries that there is a probability of a short ice crop.

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There is no such thing as "good times" when labor is poorly paid. Good wages with steady employment bring plenty and prosperity, and vice versa.

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Reports agree that Col. Bryan, on his trip abroad, is being received with that cordiality which is due those who have the wherewithal and pay the price without protest.

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G. P. O. printers, generally speaking, are early risers, particularly at this season of the year, and this, presumably, is one reason why they prefer the morning paper.

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Organized labor seeks to lift up and dignify the toilers by betterment of conditions, and it may as well be understood now that any indignity imposed will be speedily resented.

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The Citizens' Associations of the District of Columbia are becoming so numerous and noisy that there is now only about a six-em space short of a government by "we the people."

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The reading public have learned by careful observation that the editor of a rival newspaper has been whetting his knife when he begins an article by referring to his neighbor as "our esteemed cotemporary."

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An English medical investigator has been to some trouble to establish the pathological moment when drunkenness sets in. The precise moment would seem to be about the time when the kitchen chairs and dishes begin to come together and the wife and children make for the fire-escape or back stairs.

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A second count of noses by the toilers of this country has disclosed the fact that they are powerful enough in numbers to elect suitable public servants, and they have also arrived at the conclusion that it is not strictly necessary to invariably select them from the millionaire class or from those whom that class may suggest. The ballot is labor's most potent weapon, and the signs all point to a getting together.

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James Keir Hardie, the new labor leader in the British Parliament, worked in the mines from the age of seven until he was twenty-four. At the age of twelve he was unable to read, but managed to educate himself. He is now the editor and proprietor of the *Labor Leader*, of London, and is a frequent contributor to British magazines and reviews. The day is not far distant when the American parliament will receive a jolt similar to recent experiences by the Britishers.

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Praise has been worthily bestowed on the Naval Gun Factory Band for a leading part taken at the parade in Alexandria on Washington's birthday. It has been suggested that a Printing Office band could be made to fill a long-felt want. That there is talent among the fraternity goes without saying, and since a large number are in possession of their own instruments, why not bring them out, every man blow his own horn, and liven things up a little? "Hail to the Chief"—promoter.

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Here is an old epitaph, which, no doubt, was written by a printer while performing the most disagreeable task attendant on his profession:

No more shall copy bad perplex my brain,
No more shall type's small face my eye-balls strain;
No more the proof's foul page create me troubles,
By errors, transpositions, outs, and doubles;
No more my head shall ache from author's whims,
As overrunnings, drive-outs, and ins;
The sturdy pressman's frown I now may scoff,
Revised, corrected, finally wrought off.

CYCLE.

CAPI'S OGLINGS.

In all my rambling through realms of theory and the realistic there has been encountered one great element of the personal pronoun sex that I have been unable to surmount. I cannot get around the "I told you so," the "says I," the "I believe," the "I know," and other members of the I family, so I have formed of the habit of admiring myself as a dad of the Cap I's, and as such will attempt to enliven things by descanting upon men, methods and matters as I see them.

This for all time: I am a man of opinion and experience, and I believe in myself, so will not be surprised should others disagree with me. They are, of course, misguided. Those who do agree with me, I will have my own opinion of.

This brings me to Brother Gunn and his Marine Band talk. Did you ever hear of anything so funny as his argument? I can see no reason why any Government employee should be so poorly paid that he would be compelled to go in the open market and compete with civilian labor. The Government pays salaries and wages scanty enough, the Lord and our housewives know, but we are all princes compared to the pauper wages paid our pampered national horn tooters. Organized labor for years has opposed the Marine Band for various reasons, and justly so. Not a member of that aggregation will join a labor union, yet in the District of Columbia they are a menace to our union musicians, and Columbia Union has gone so far in recognition of the rights of the legitimate as to place a fine of $5 on its members who patronize a certain summer resort because the underpaid non-union Government musicians are compelled to "piece out" by tooting in the summer ambient.

I look upon the Marine Band as a lazy kind of an aggregation, with no other ambition than to swell up under a gaudy uniform and toot, but when sheer want drives them to an effort they have no qualms of conscience in resorting to what we printers call "ratting." If the Government wants musicians, let the Government pay for them as it does for all other service and commodity, and organized labor can do the Marine Band no greater service than to fight its competition with civilian labor.

This is not meant to draw Brother Gunn into an argument, but to show him his error of judgment. Brother Gunn is a competent, well-paid man. If he were not well paid he would hustle, for it is not patriotism that holds him in the G. P. O. He also acknowledges that it is union conditions that he enjoys, and I can see no reason under the sun why union conditions and a good living income should not be the portion of our gifted (?) national musicians, as long as they give their time and talents to the Government, even though I do look upon them as a lazy arrogant lot, and mostly with names strange to the pure Yankee.

Next week I will have something to say on some other subject.

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CAPI.

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

Open Meeting Addressed by Municipal Research Committee.

PLAYGROUNDS BILL INDORSED

Engineers Refuse to Buy Nonunion Publications—Fraternal Delegates Accepted—Open Meeting Feature to be Repeated at an Early Date.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday, President Adams in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Grievance Committee reported progress.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Local No. 5, Bridge and Structural Iron Worker's Union, presenting a grievance against National Capital Brewing Co. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Local No. 6, Amalgamated Woodworkers, Baltimore, Md., inclosing $1.00 book of tickets for their benefit. On motion, the tickets were purchased.

From Trades Council (Elgin, Jll.), stating that protest against working over eight hours on Panama Canal had been registered with President Roosevelt. Placed on file.

From Cincinnati Typographical Union asking that a committee be appointed to visit dealers in this city who handle *Men and Women*, a scab publication of that city. The chair appointed Delegates Dickman, McCarthy, and Sugrue.

From Central Labor Union, Portsmouth, Va., asking for a committee to consider question of co-operation in effort to advance efficiency and employment of men in Navy Yards. Delegate Spohn and President Adams appointed on committee.

From District Lodge No. 1, I. A. M., Philadelphia, asking for assistance to establish union headquarters in that city. Referred to International Association of Machinists.

From Federated Trades Council, Eureka, Cal., stating that resolution protesting against extending hours of labor on Panama Canal job had been adopted. Placed on file.

ROLL CALL OF UNIONS.

Columbia Typographical Union: Call attention to their fight against the Typothetæ of this city.

Engineers No. 99: That they had notified the Hill Publishing Co., publtshers of *Power* and the *American Machinist*, that until such time as they unionized their printing establishment their members would not renew subscriptions when they expired.

Plumbers: Called attention to the fact that lockout with master plumbers still continues.

Plate Printers: Asked for certain information relative to Kernan's Theater, which was given by delegate from Musical Union.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Special committee to visit W. B. Moses & Co. reported progress.

Special committee to visit P. B. Otterback, grocer, reported that they had failed to meet the representative from Retail Grocery Clerk's Union.

Contract Committee made a favorable report on contract submitted at last meeting by Engineer's Union, No. 99, and same was indorsed.

Delegates Spohn and Liedy reported having visited the Presbyterian Ministerial Association as fraternal delegates. They reported that Rev. J. P. Skillinger and Rev. Charles Alvin Smith had been appointed fraternal delegates from that Association to the Central Labor Union.

Fraternal Delegate Smith then addressed the Union.

NEW BUSINESS.

Delegate Dickman introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Central Labor Union, of Washington, D. C., representing 25,000 members, nearly all of whom are heads of families, favor the adoption by Congress of the Commissioners' bill for public playgrounds.

Delegate Digney, by request of his Union (Painters, No. 368), introduced a resolution relative to the arrest of the officers of the Western Federation of Miners, which was laid on the table.

On motion of Delegate McGuigan, the following committee was appointed on Labor Day Outing: Delegates Geo. W. Adams, McGuigan, Spohn, McCarthy, and Winslow.

OPEN MEETING.

The regular order of business was dispensed with, and Miss E. M. Rhodes, secretary of the Inter-Municipal Research Committee, was introduced, who stated that Miss Kellor was unable to be present, and that she had been delegated to take her place.

Miss Rhodes then made a very interesting talk on the work undertaken by her organization, after which Mrs. Dyer Knight and Arthur Middleton sang solos.

Mrs. A. M. Gitterman made a few remarks on legislation now pending in Congress, and Mrs. Knight rendered another solo.

The Council then tendered a rising vote of thanks to Mrs. A. M. Gitterman, Miss Rhodes, Mrs. Knight, and Arthur Middleton.

On motion, It was decided to have the lecture repeated at a date to be selected by Mrs. Gitterman.

Adjourned.

The Philosopher in Love.

Why should thine eyes divinely gleam
  With warmer looks when I draw near?
Why should thy tenderness o'erflow
  In sweet suggestions of a tear?

Why should thy tender heart repose
  So trustfully within thy breast
And in my keeping find a joy
  That yesterday was unexpressed?

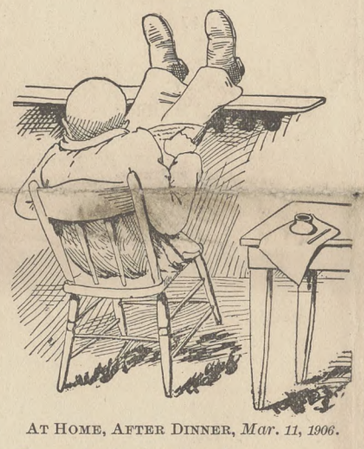
The language of thine answer, love,
  In that shy, fond and puzzled look,
Is void of philosophic cant
  As that in some true poet's book.

Ah, me! I fear thou canst not tell.
  But scant philosophy is thine;
And yet, if but the truth were known,
  Perhaps it more than equals mine.

Perhaps this artless silence means
  That love was never understood.
And I—I can but bless the strange
  Sweet mystery of womanhood.

—WILL SUMMERSMITH.

AFTER-DINNER DILATIONS.



AT HOME, AFTER DINNER, *Mar. 11, 1906.*

Example in shorthand: 65-70—*n. g.*

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Goodfellow is often without other qualifications for office.

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The sycophant is easily charmed by the fellow who is easily flattered.

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Let's begin now to help those who help us and to do those who do us.

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The youngest will be old some day, if they live long enough, and they all hope to.

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The older politicians are finding it difficult to keep up with the Roosevelt procession.

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The useful life is often most useful and beautiful at life's sunset, and all without the dollar-mark.

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The two houses of Congress are pulling together in a way that looks as if it might yet be necessary to pull them apart.

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Race suicide will increase in proportion as opportunities for livelihood are lessened and the terrors of old age are magnified.

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Those people who began to shiver with the first prospects of a general coal strike are now threatened with a hot flash of disappointment.

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Just think of the worry old Uncle Methuselah escaped by taking his departure before Dr. Osler and other old-age specialists got after him.

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The life work of Susan B. Anthony is at an end, but the influence of that life will be an inspiration to those who continue the uncompleted task.

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Those people who are looking for change in the Easter hat this year will be doomed to disappointment. Just pay the ten. There'll be no change.

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Bellefontaine (Ohio) papers bear the cheering intelligence that Walker Miller, who recently suffered an acute attack of appendicitis, is now on the road to recovery.

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The little sunbeam and hope of increased happiness to parents was obscured in the removal by death of the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miller during the past week.

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We are sorry it is so, but our pet proposition to organize a G. P. O. brass band is meeting with opposition by those who are more interested in the band-wagon than the band.

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Young Rockefeller stays at home like a good boy to look after the church chores while his father roams the country over and side steps to evade the officers of the law, who want him to answer some foolish court questions.

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The character of witnesses produced and the stuff submitted as a base for injunction proceedings would indicate that the Washington Typothetæ have placed a rather low estimate on the discriminating judgment of the local court.

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Gen. Sherman presented the captured city of Savannah, Ga., and all the people thereof to the War Department as a Christmas gift. J. G. Roberts, of the "Spess," was included, but was then too young to realize the give away or "distinction," as he calls it.

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They had a hanging bee up in darker Pennsylvania last week, when the condemned kept the doctor and crowd waiting by continuing the performance for fifty minutes after the drop had fallen, notwithstanding he had previously expressed a willingness to leave.

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The trial of Ex-Senator Green for conspiracy in connection with the Post-Office cases resulted in a verdict of acquittal, and that the verdict met with his entire approbation was shown when he ordered a spread and invited friends in to "take something." The Senator was present during the entire two weeks of the trial, and as he watched the case closely we are disposed to defer to his judgment when he says the verdict was an eminently just one.

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The impression has gained some headway that employes of Uncle Sam's "busy corner," North Capitol and G to H streets, proceed directly from their banking houses to the big printery, where they remain in idleness an allotted number of hours, save only the time employed in signing the payroll and while receiving the semi-monthly stipend. These things are said by people who in all their lives never earned an honest dollar and whose existence is made possible by the hard-earned dollars of others

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CAPI'S OGLINGS.

It is said that after years of experiment, L. C. Johnson, veteran inventor of the Proof Room, has discovered perpetual motion. His name is Maynard (accent on the first syllable).

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Mr. Pafflow, of the Proof Room, besides being an author of repute, is an enthusiastic and fluent lecturer. He recently addressed the Men's Club of of one of the prominent churches of northeast Washington. His theme was "Trades Unionism," which subject is of more interest to the uninitiated than we as unionists' imagine, and such able men as Pafflow carry conviction with their propaganda. It would be a good idea if Columbia Union were to establish a lecture bureau and send its orators on an educational tour.

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Each day opens and closes a chapter in the lives of some of us. When it is the "title" page, as represented by the new-born, we smile and offer congratulations; when it is the "all," and a spirit passes away, we offer condolence and give ourselves up to a sober thought, for naught else than the poet's brook flows on forever.

On Monday, the 5th of March, Henry Thurston died, at the ripe age of 74. Mr. Thurston for a number of years had filled the position of copy reader in the G. P. O. He was born and educated in Massachusetts, but later in life settled in Minnesota, where he took a lively interest in what was then a new country. He settled in Albert Lea, and was one of its foremost citizens. He devoted his time and talents to education, and was at one time State Superintendent of Schools. For several sessions Mr. Thurston was a clerk in the legislature of his State, and was prominent in the affairs of state, though he never sought office. The present attorney-general and some of the State court judges were his pupils in early life, and Mr. Thurston liked to point to them and talk of them as "my boys." Mr. Thurston was an intellectual man, his chief works in literature being Shakespeare, the Bible, and the old-fashioned hymn books, from which he delighted to hum the "songs that mother loved."

For some years he had been an invalid and cripple, but retained his sunny nature, taking a most lively interest in the young, especially the young men. He was a veteran of the civil war, being a member of a company that lost about 80 per cent of its number in one charge.

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I picked up the *Post* the other day and met an old acquaintance. I had not read more than a couple of sticks before I recognized "The Cruiser" as an old-timer who knows the business from the quad box to the asterisk. But what's the use of all this talk? If the conference committee don't "do" us, we will get our thirty days' leave, and that is a whole big lot when the days get hot and our ginger weak.

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I do not wish to be considered a kicker on all things, though I may be on some, so I will content myself by throwing out a suggestion. I think there has been much useless newspaper talk about the G. P. O., and also too much meaningless investigation. At every investigation, both of the Keep Commission and of the Landis Committee, but one interest has had its innings, and from these one-sided investigations many false impressions and theories have gained currency.

This being a government of the people, why is it that the interests of the 4,000 people engaged in the G. P. O. have not had a hearing? Because these people are mere working people should not bar them from placing before Congress, the President and the country the true facts in regard to their condition. As a result of the various hearings and investigations the public are led to believe that the people of the G. P. O. are a lot of lazy, dissolute grafters, whereas the exact opposite condition is the fact. It is high time that "the people's" interests were represented, so my suggestion is this: Demand a recognition and hearing, for the just keeping quiet acts as a quiesence, and it will be the fault of the "people" themselves if they are misunderstood and placed in a false light.

Who will take the initiative?

If the bill to fire or reduce the old men in the Government employ is to become a law, and hereafter men are to be hired and dispensed with like cattle are bought and sold—with consideration only of age and condition—it is but justice to the human animal that he be rated, as cattle are. For instance, if a human animal at the age of 60 is worth $1,000 a year, and at 70, $600, the same breed of animal at the age of 50 should sell for $1,400; at 40, for $1,800; at 30, for $2,200, etc. This is but a suggestion in equity.

Are the slavery days past?

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You have all heard some one say: "God bless the women." Well, I will agree with that quotation as regards some women, and especially the women members of our Union—yes, and the wives of the male members, too—most of them. The other evening I met one of our quiet, plodding girls, and though it is against my practice we "talked shop." Who of us these days don't talk shop? Well, we (not I) mentioned the fact that there are recalcitrants, and one of them a woman. I wish you could have seen that girl's eyes snap.

"Of all the printers," said she "the woman should be the last to turn away from the Union. Why, do you know (of course I did) that the typographical union is the only labor organization that draws no distinction between sex, race or color, and demands equal pay and conditions for all? The woman——" but at this point we came dangerously near the back-capping line, and I switched the conversation. Nevertheless, that girl left me with an idea, and it is this: Trades unions are builders, not levelers, and they build for all alike.

God bless the woman with a noble heart and principle.

Yours truly,

CAPI.

The "Knockers" Banquet.

The managers in charge of the eat-fest of the "Knockers" want it known that it is not necessary to have an invitation in order to go to the banquet. All that is required is to have a ticket, which are for sale by the managers. The tickets are $3; the place is The Ebbitt; the time is Sunday night, March 25, at 8 30 o'clock; the occasion will be a "corker."

Unfair Show Printers.

Erie Typographical Union is making a strong fight against the Erie Litho and Printing Co. for the eight-hour day. A campaign will be conducted all over the country for the label on show printing, and the shows that go out without the label will have the 2,000,000 organized wage-earners of the country to reckon with.

Personal Mention.

Martin P. Higgins, president of International Printing Pressmen's Union, was in the city on Monday, and left later for Philadelphia on official business. Jim McKinnon, of No. 1, on behalf of that Union, showed President Higgins about the city.

Why Pay Rent?

As I intend removing to California, I will sell my place in Kensington, Md., for $3,000—$300 to $500 cash, and balance in annual payments of $300, $400, or $500, to suit purchaser. Six-room house, with fine cellar; lot 120 by 165. Peach, pear, plum, cherry, apricot, and English walnut trees in bearing; grapes, strawberries, raspberries, and currants in great abundance; also asparagus and rhubarb. Roses, pæonies, and hundreds of spring flowering bulbs. Handsomest small place anywhere near Washington. Three squares from station. Commutation rates on B. & O., 15 cents a day; electric line, 18 cents.

E. B. CHAMBERS.

Personal Mention.

P. H. McCormick, president of New York Typographical Union, No. 6, and George H. Jackson, also of "Big Six," were in the city this week in attending the Copyright Law Conference.

Oysters in every style at R. A. Driscoll's North Capitol and G street. Overholt whisky, 10c.

Wants Two Delegates.

Editors of THE TRADES UNIONIST:

In view of the great expense Columbia Union has been under since the eight-hour strike was inaugurated, and with little prospect of an early termination of said expense, I would suggest the necessity and propriety of electing only two delegates to represent us at the Colorado Springs convention—one from the Government Printing Office and one from down-town. This proposition may touch the sore places on the backs of some of the politicians, but I believe the membership at large will approve of the plan.

FRANK M. HATLEY.

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THE EIGHT-HOUR LAW.

History of its Passage and the Subsequent Amendments Thereto.

[BY E. W. OYSTER.]

Now that the eight-hour question has again been brought so prominently before the country by the demand of the International Typographical Union for an eight-hour day, the history of the National Eight-hour Laws, inasmuch as a large number of persons, including many members of labor organizations, appear to be ignorant of their true spirit and intent, may be both interesting and instructive.

During the years 1866, 1867, and 1868 a number of bills and joint resolutions were introduced in the Senate and House of Representatives, providing for an eight-hour day on Government work.

The first bill of that character passed the House on March 28, 1867, when General Banks, of Massachusetts, moved to suspend the rules for that purpose. This bill passed by a vote of 78 to 23, but was pigeon-holed in the Senate.

On January 6, 1868, General Banks again introduced the same bill, which reads:

Eight hours shall constitute a day's work for all laborers, workmen and mechanics now employed, or who may hereafter be employed, by or on behalf of the Government of the United States.

"The reason for the bill," said General Banks, "is that by order of the House the work in the Government navy yards has greatly diminished [owing to the close of the civil war] and workmen have been dismissed in considerable numbers. If this bill is passed it will enable the Government to employ more men. I trust that for this reason, considering the depression of business, the high cost of living, and the fact that numerous workmen are out of employ, the House will allow this bill to be passed."

The bill was passed by the House by a vote of 75 to 21, and was sent to the Senate on the following day, where it slumbered for nearly five months.

On June 3, 1868, Senator Hendricks of Indiana, moved to take the bill up for consideration. He said:

The bill is meritorious and petitions have come to the Senate from all over the United States, and up to this time no attention has been paid to them. At an early period of this session among the first acts passed by the House of Representatives was this act, but it has been laid upon the table and has not even been referred to a committee. Now, in response and in respect to the sentiment of the country so generally expressed on this subject, I have felt it my duty to call up the measure for passage. The bill is brief and can be considered without reference to a committee.

The Senate refused to take action at that time, but three weeks later, on June 24, 1868, on motion of Senator Conness, of California, the bill was taken up, and a debate took place which clearly demonstrated that the intent of the friends of the measure was to *limit* the employment of workmen under the Government to eight hours per day.

With this understanding as to its meaning and intent the bill passed the Senate by a vote of 26 to 11, and was signed by President Johnson on June 25, 1868.

Soon after the enactment of this eight-hour law it became apparent that many civil and military and naval executive officers of the Government were hostile and determined to construe its provisions to suit themselves and compel or induce workmen, through fear of discharge, to labor ten or more hours per day or submit to a reduction of wages if they worked only eight hours.

To meet this violation of the law, the House of Representatives, on April 8, 1869, passed a joint resolution, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That the law reducing the hours of labor of Government laborers, workmen and mechanics, approved June 25, 1868, shall not be so construed as to authorize a corresponding reduction in wages,

On April 20, 1869, Senator Wilson, of Massachusetts, addressed a letter to the Secretary of War, protesting against the violation of the law. He said:

I am clearly of the opinion that the construction put by officers of the Government upon the act constituting eight hours a day's work for all laborers, workmen, and mechanics employed by the United States is a palpable violation of the spirit and letter of the acts and of the intention of Congress, and of the men who petitioned for its passage. * * * By that law eight hours is constituted a day's work, a day's work that commands a day's pay.

The House resolution of April 8, 1869, was sent to the Senate immediately after its passage, but was allowed to slumber there during that session.

On December 15, 1869, Senator Morrill, of Vermont, called the resolution up, offered a substitute to repeal the eight-hour law, and made a speech covering seven pages of the Congressional *Globe;* but neither the House resolution nor the substitute were passed.

In the meantime President Grant had been appealed to, and on May 19, 1869, issued his first proclamation giving executive construction to the law, which was that no reduction of pay should be made because of a reduction of the hours of labor, and commanding executive officers to obey the law as thus construed. On may 11, 1872, President Grant issued a second proclamation directing executive officers to make no reduction of wages on account of a reduction of the hours of labor.

After the latter date the law of June 25, 1868, was interpreted to mean that Government employees could be worked ten, twelve, or twenty four hours a day if they were paid extra at the same rate per hour as when working only eight hours per day. As the intent of the law was to enable more persons to secure employment, it is readily seen that this interpretation, or rather misinterpretation, of the law completely nullified it.

For more than twenty years the labor organizations of Washington and of the country protested against this form of violation, but without success.

On November 27, 1886, Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, passed a resolution appointing E. W. Oyster, A. P. Marston, W. R. Ramsey, August Donath, and J. L. Wright as the Committee on Restoration of Wages in the Government Printing Office. Also the following:

Resolved, That this committee be requested to urge upon Congress the necessity for the passage of a law to enforce the eight-hour law in the Government Printing Office.

This committee made strenuous efforts to carry out the wishes of the Union, but failed to accomplish the purposes for which it was appointed.

On February 17, 1888, Hon. John J. O'Neill, of Missouri, chairman of the House Committee on Labor, and one of labor's most sincere and devoted friends, offered the following amendment to a bill making appropriations for the public printing:

And the Public Printer is hereby directed to rigidly enforce the provisions of the eight-hour law in the Department under his charge.

In support of his amendment, Mr. O'Neill said:

The necessity for a provision of this kind arises from the fact that in the Government Printing Office to-day you will find hundreds of men who, under some peculiar system of managing their work as to overtime and extra compensation are employed and paid for ten, twelve, fourteen, and sixteen hours a day. The object of the proposition is simply to pare down the bills of men who are taking more than their share of the work.

This clause may very properly be attached to a provision granting privileges to these employes in the Printing Office. We have on our Calendar a bill granting to these employes an additional fifteen days' leave of absence, and I am in favor of that measure. But when workingmen are demanding of us an eight-hour law *I demand that they themselves shall live up to it.* * * * I know that there is a large number of printers standing around your streets not having the means of livelihood because of a set of men in there of greedy proclivities absorbing all the revenue of the Printing Office to themselves. When that is the case it is time, in my judgment, to call the attention of the House to the necessity of compelling the Public Printer to enforce the law. * * * The meaning of the eight-hour law is to *limit* a day's work to eight hours, so as to reduce the number out of employment to as great an extent as possible.

"Is not the purpose of this amendment," asked Mr. Warner, "to prevent men from working more than eight hours a day?"

"Yes," replied Mr. O'Neill, "that is the object of it."

With that explanation the House, by a vote of 182 to 53, incorporated "the O'Neill rider" in the bill.

On March 7, 1888, by a vote of 32 to 20, Mr. O'Neill's amendment was stricken from the bill by the Senate.

Senator Blair, of New Hampshire, favored the amendment. He said:

This eight-hour law, enacted by the United States and placed on the statute book with as much definiteness and solemnity as a law against crime, has been deliberately and persistently and wickedly violated by the executive officers almost from the beginning. Never has there been any considerable degree of success in extorting from these unwilling executive officers of the Government compliance with their duty in this regard.

The House, on March 15, 1888, non concurred in the action of the Senate, and requested a conference, which was granted. The House committee insisted on the amendment, and it was finally agreed to by the Senate.

After the passage of the bill containing the O'Neill amendment, employes of the Government Printing Office were not *compelled* to work more than eight hours per day, as many of them had been prior to that time, but in some of the Divisions of the office employes were *permitted* to work extra hours.

This state of affairs, on February 16, 1889, induced Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, to pass the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Public Printer be informed that members of this Union are prohibited from working more than eight hours per day, to date from February 20, 1889.

Public Printer Benedict at once acceded to this regulation of the Union, and then, for the first time, was the eight-hour law of 1868 enforced in the Government Printing Office in accordance with its true spirit and intent.

Concerning this action of the Union, *The Craftsman*, then the "Official Paper of the International Typographical Union," in the issue of March 2, 1889, said:

We congratulate Columbia Union, No. 101, upon the stand it has taken regarding the enforcement of the eight-hour law at the Government Printing Office. We congratulate the Public Printer upon the readiness with which he has complied with this requirement. We do not congratulate those of the members who by their action, or at least by their loud protest, have shown that while they are ostensibly in favor of the eight-hour law, they are opposed to its enforcement in their individual cases.

Thus the eight-hour system, after many fruitless "demands," had been fully, and it was thought firmly, established in that great Government workshop. With a clear and positive law to support it, a direction from Congress to the Public Printer to "rigidly" enforce it, and the resolution of the Union prohibiting its members from becoming parties to its violation, it was not thought that any Public Printer, no matter how strongly opposed he might be to the enforcement of the law, could possibly break down the barriers which had been erected to shield it from his displeasure.

This was the condition of affairs when, on May 15, 1889, Public Printer Palmer took charge of the Government Printing Office.

At the meeting of the Union held on June 15, 1889, Mr. W. E. Shields, delegate to the Washington Federation of Labor, reported that he had been instructed by the Federation to ascertain the sentiment of the Union in regard to enforcing the eight-hour law. He moved "that this Union is in favor of the eight-hour law, and stands ready to enforce the same at any and all times." The motion was agreed to.

On September 21, 1889, by a vote of 137 to 12, and on November 16, 1889, by a vote 77 to 7, the union refused to haul down its eight-hour flag.

Those who desire to know what happened subsequently can inform themselves by referring to the minutes of the special meeting of the union held on November 18, 1889; to the minutes of the meetings held on March 16 and 23, 1890, to the Washington Post of March 24 and April 7, 1890; and to minutes of union meetings held on December 21, 1890; on January 4, 1891, and on January 11, 1891.

Suffice it to say that the action of the Union on November 18, 1889, led to renewed agitation and more strenuous efforts than ever before exerted to bring about the enactment of a more effective eight-hour law than that of 1868—"a law, with a penalty, which could not be violated with impunity by executive officers."

On January 28, 1890, a resolution was offered in the Washington Federation of Labor directing the Legislative Committee of that body to lay before the Committee on Labor of the House of Representatives the facts concerning the constant violation of the eight-hour law at the Government Printing office, and to request said Committee on Labor to investigate the matter and endeavor to secure the enforcement of the law.

It was urged by Delegates Kennedy and Reed, of Typographical Union No. 101, that the inquiry should not be restricted to the Government Printing Office. The resolution was then amended to include the Insane Asylum and the letter carriers, and, as amended, was adopted.

The passage of this resolution was the first gun in the eight-hour battle which raged incessantly from that time until August 1, 1892, when the existing law was approved by President Harrison.

On February 27 and March 6, 1890, arguments were made by the Federation of Labor Legislative Committee before the House Committee on Labor in favor of a more effective eight-hour law, and under date of March 18, 1890, the Federation Committee presented an argument in writing to the House Committee for a more stringent law, with appropriate penalties to compel its enforcement.

On March 20, 1890, Mr. Wade, of Missouri, chairman of the House Committee on Labor, introduced "a bill to enforce the eight-hour law on Government premises." The penalty clause was stricken from the bill before it was reported to the House on May 2, 1890.

On June 9, 1890, at Atlanta, Georgia, the International Typographical Union indorsed the Wade bill; but on June 17, 1890, the Washington Federation of Labor protested against said bill, "believing that it would wholly fail to carry out the eight-hour principle as understood and indorsed by organized labor."

On April 28, 1890, Mr. Connell, of Nebraska, introduced "a bill constituting eight hours a day's work for all laborers, workmen and mechanics employed by or on behalf of the Government of the United States, or by contractors doing work or furnishing material for the Government, and providing penalties for its violation."

On July 1, 1890, the Federation of Labor adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That House bill No. 9791, introduced by Representative Connell, of Nebraska, and referred to the Committee in April last, would, in the judgment of this body, compel executive officers of the Government to enforce the law, and the Federation of Labor Unions of the District of Columbia therefore respectfully but very earnestly recommends the passage of the bill.

The amendments recommended by the Federation were agreed to by the Committee on Labor; the bill was reported to the House on July 10, 1890, and, after striking out the words, "or permit," was passed on August 28, 1890. The Senate was then requested to restore the words "or permit" and pass the bill.

In support of the request for the insertion of these words the Federation Committee said:

The words "or permit" are vital to the purpose of the law. The present eight-hour law is extensively violated because workmen are employed overtime. It is true, that now, as a rule, they receive a day's pay for each eight hours, and by making extra time, make extra pay. But we protest particularly against this practice. * * * Among all the ways of violating the spirit of the eight-hour law there is none we detest so much as the "permitting" of favored Government employees to grab all the work and all the pay by working in excess of the number of hours fixed by law.

This bill limited the hours to eight per day "except in cases of extraordinary emergency which may arise in time of war, or in cases where it may be necessary to work more than eight hours per calendar day for the protection of property or human life."

The Senate failed to pass the bill.

[The history of the final and successful efforts to secure an effective eight-hour law will be printed next week.]

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Second Division—Night.

Arthur McNelly, temporary compositor, has resigned.

Carlin B. Drake has been transferred to the day force at his own request.

Wonder if section 1784 of the Revised Statutes of the United States makes a an exception of literary boquets.

Not a Division of the Government Printing Office was represented in the last TRADES UNIONIST. Have the correspondents cold feet or nervous prostration?

With nearly sixty in this Division and more coming, it is up to some enterprising hash-slinger to serve lunch in this room during the balance of the session.

Slug 57 threatens to stop his paper if there is no news in it from this chapel; hence this waste of grey matter. He swears vengeance on the correspondent if his name is ever printed; and he is no featherweight, either; hence his slug number.

The following additions were made to this Division within the past two weeks, and with one resignation and one transfer the force now consists of fifty-seven members: W. R. Mowen, Wm. Jacques, C. B. Drake, Wm. D. Thornton, L. R. Thompson, A. F. Tucker, A. K. Bosworth, L. T. Gehrmann, Jos. W. Becker, F. C. Chase, J. D. Haydon, Wm. Peacock, A. M. Butler, F. P. Williams, J. N. Cobb, C. O. Doten, H. A. Holton, H. Reed, J. T. Roberts, Chas. Sheldon, and J. Y. Slater.

The editor of the Spencer (N. Y.) *Needle*, who runs a so-called newspaper in a town which has dwindled from 800 to 320 inhabitants since he established his rag, says: "The idle, incompetent, druuken, and dead-beat printers should be cleared out of the Government Printing Office." Whether this typographical genius belongs to all of the above-named classes I am unable to say, but was told by an ex-foreman that he secured a job in the Government Printing Office and was fired for incompetency. Who can blame him for his "ululations."

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Sixth Division.

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In view of the approaching Knockers' banquet, Dr. Manning had better secure the key to the bromo seltzer chest.

Frank O. Jones, of this Division, returned to work on Monday, having been absent a week on account of illness.

The fact that none of the printers in this Division care for night work is a pretty good indication that everybody is satisfied.

I have heard that Chairman George Hayden, of the *Record*, is a delegatorial candidate. That being the case I am going to play him for a place.

Joe Dries, of this Division, has sold his suburban home near Brookland and moved into Washington. This assures a vacancy on the Brookland police force.

The recent issue of the *Typographical Journal* is worthy of special mention as an interesting publication, and not because of the absence of Washington notes by A. F. Bloomer, either.

Friends of Ansley C. Martin, Merg 8, this Division, will be pained to learn that his eye sight continues to be poor. The past week found Mr. Martin confined to his home on that account.

It's nice to be missed. From the number who have asked me the reason for my absence from the TRADES UNIONIST columns last week, I take it that these notes are at least read by a few.

Charles Gove, chairman of the Fifth Division, was the first in the field with cards announcing his delegatorial candidacy. Mr. Gove may find comfort in that old familiar saw—the early bird catches the worm.

Parties contemplating attending the Knockers' banquet on March 25 are hereby warned to take along a pocket edition of "Kitchen French," as I understand French will be used exclusively on the bill of fare. Otherwise the fellows who order beer may get ginger ale.

Looking over the program for next week's concert by the Nordica Mandolin, Guitar and Banjo Club, I find besides S. J. Gompers, of this Division, and his wife, other well-known G. P. O. artists. Mr. George C. Furbershaw, of the Second Division, and Mr. Charles Stutsman of the *Record* Proof Room, together with his wife, are down on the program as both guitar and banjo performers,

Here's to the Hon. Thos. C. Platt, senior Senator from New York. Through his effort a bill has passed the Senate granting G. P. O. employes thirty days leave of absence, exclusive of Sundays. Whether the bill will pass the House or not remains to be seen, but in pushing through the bill in question the Senator has given renewed assurances of his friendship for the printing office employes.

At the Metropolitan Church, Fourth and C streets, next week, will occur a concert given by the Nordica Mandolin, Guitar and Banjo Club, assisted by other talent of ability. Mr. Samuel Gompers, of this Division, is one of the Nordica Club's banjo artists, and he tells me that the entertainment proposed for next week is one of exceptional merit. His wife, Mrs. Gompers, is also a member of the club.

and the foul smell arising from the machines, are not conducive to the good health of the operators or attendants. Seven hours and less constitutes a day's work in most all the large newspaper machine composing rooms of the country, and for one I firmly believe the results would be greater were the hours of all those who operate on a keyboard in the G. P. O. reduced to seven. It's a good subject to investigate at least.

Glancing over the *Congressional Record* occasionally I see a number of petitions are being presented to Congress by newspaper men and others asking to repeal the duty on typesetting machines; in other words make it easy to import a cheap foreign product into this country. Cheap machinery means cheap labor, and cheap labor is a menace to good American citizenship. In this respect I am a stand-patter, and hope the duty stands.

At a vocal and piano recital by the pupils of Miss Hattie M. Ritchie, at Gonzaga Hall last week, Mr. Cyrus Cook, a former member of the First Division, now of the *Gazette*, and Mrs. Charles E. Morse, wife of a Fifth Division Lanston operator, were two of the principal performers. A duet by Mrs. Morse (soprano) and Mr. Cook (baritone), was received with much applause; while Mr. Cook scored again in a bass solo, "A Son of the Desert Am I."

While Public Printer Stillings and his advisers are looking over the G. P. O. with a view to reorganization, I hope he will give the matter of machine composition its full share of consideration, and although the present may be an inopportune time to recommend to Congress a reduction of hours, the time is surely coming when a shorter day will be necessary for those who toil over the key-boards, or are employed in the vicinity of the Mergs and the Lanstons. Since the advent of composing machines, life in the print shop has materially changed; the hands are busy, the eye strained, and the mind constantly at work, while the body has but little chance for recreation. These things, together with the noiss, the heat,

Among a party of visitors looking over things in the Sixth Division one day recently was a handsome young lady whose keen observation, if properly applied, should win for her fame as a female Hawkshaw. While the guide was entertaining the visitors with a story of how the great *Congressional Record* was gotten out on the machines, the young lady in question was sizing up the force in a keen-eyed manner. At last she turned to her friend: "Do you notice these fellows in here? See, they all belong to some secret society," she said. "Oh, how can you tell?" surprisingly inquired her friend. "See that letter M on their aprons? That stands for something, you can bet." And so it does. It stands for McGraw, the apron man.

In reply to my unknown critic, "Capi," who agreed last week to disagree with me on the Marine Band question, I will say I have no desire to argue the question. The gentleman undoubtedly means well, and seems so entirely innocent of the real facts pertaining to the Marine Band that to disturb him now would be next to a criminal act. However, I will say that the members of the Marine Band will gladly join the Musicians Union, and not only uphold the present scale of prices, but agree to raise them, but that they are barred from so doing by a clause in the Musicians' Union constitution placing the ban on enlisted men, although enlisted men are admitted to membership in other cities. That they are not paid a sufficient salary by the Government is nothing to their discredit, for I am sure "Capi" will agree with me that the musicians are not the only underpaid people working for the Government. In closing I would like to call "Capi's" attention to the fact that Columbia Union has not placed a $5 fine on any of its members who patronize any summer resort because of the presence of the Marine Band. However, criticism does one good and I am always willing to be shown. "Capi" means well, and undoubtedly his next ogling will be read with interest.

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McClure's Magazine. One of the best of the 10-cent monthlies. Has a large sale on newstands in this city.

Smart Set. This is one of the publications issued from Green's office, which was mentioned in the recent court proceedings with Facts and Fancies and Town Topics.

Tom Watson's Magazine. A new publication that has been exploited largely where union conditions prevail. Tom Watson may not be in a position to have the publication done under Union conditions, but he could take his name away from it.

St. Nicholas, a DeVinne Press publication, which, like The Century, has an upper ten following, but many of the newstands handle it.

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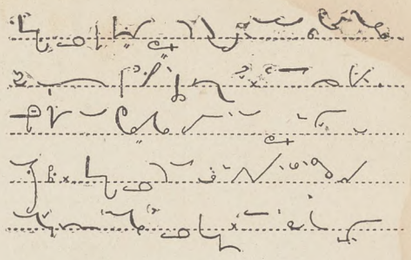

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Star Chapel.

J. Herbert Broderick has resigned, and is subbing on the *Post*.

Roy Strom has returned from a pleasant sojourn on the Eastern Shore.

Our chief machinist, Alexander Gordon, jr., is a very busy man these days.

We are now able to set 14-Pica De Vinne Contour on our new double deckers.

The *Star* carries the label at the head of its labor column every Wednesday. Long may it shine there.

The National Hibernian is being published from this office. Ike Field appears to be Pat Haltigan's right-hand man in the make-up of the sheet.

Jake Cromwell is high man in the Duckpin League, with Jack Gordon second, and Willie Collier, third. "Baldy" Stephens brings up the rear.

Roy Corwin, he of duckpin fame, was mistaken for Harry Sauter's son by one of the Baltimore "prints." Sauter would make four of Roy in circumference, but in reach Roy is there.

There is some talk about organizing a baseball team composed of players in the mechanical departments of this paper. Hope it is true. We have two first-class players in Jim Ellett and Ben Wood in our chapel.

Harry Essex, Frank Palmer, Jake Cromwell, Charley Ferguson, and Henri Rodier are Editor McCarty's assistants in the publication of *The Bowler*, a very creditable sheet pertaining to the office league.

In mentioning the subs who were getting in six days a week, I overlooked a bet. Fred Decker and H. N. Kelchner, the latter late of the Baltimore *Sun*, are the other gentlemen working every day. Unless you were acquainted with the fact one would think all were regulars.

Enclosed in the pay envelopes of every employe of this office last week was a letter of thanks from Mr. Crosby S. Noyes, who is at present sojourning in Pasadena, Cal. The letter only adds another link to the long chain of good fellowship existing between employers and employes of this paper.

Joseph C. Whyte, who has been chairman of this chapel for the last three years, is a full-fledged candidate for delegate from the down-town section. Besides being a competent chairman, he was treasurer of the fair committee of the Union and at present is serving as a member of the efficient Board of Trustees—not to mention the other services rendered by him for the Union cause.

RINGMAN.

Union Directory.

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International Association of Machinists, Headquarters, rooms 402-407 McGill Building, 908-914 G streets northwest. James O'Connell, president; D. Douglass Wilson, vice-president and editor of the *Journal*; George Preston, Secretary-Treasurer.

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Allied Printing Trades Council meets last Thursday in the month at Typographical Temple. Elmer Johnson, Secretary, No. 2009 Flagler street northwest.

Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13, of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101. Mrs. Bert V. Wolfe, president, 235 Massachusetts avenue northwest; Mrs. E. H. Thomas, secretary, The Bertholdt, 128 Maryland avenue southwest. Meets at Typographical Temple third Monday in each month.

STRUCTURAL BUILDING TRADES.

Structural Building Trades Alliance of America, Washington Branch, meets every Tuesday at 8 p. m. Hall No. 3, Costello's Hall, Sixth and G streets northwest. Thos. E. Arnold, President; James S. O'Hagan, Secretary, 507 S street northwest.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 722 Sixth street northeast.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

Bricklayers, No. 1, meets second and fourth Thursdays in each month at Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. Milford Spohn, Secretary, 1238 Eighth street northwest.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Joseph Hutton, Chairman, 809 F street southwest; H. Burns Secretary, 1960 Second street northwe Wm Cronin, 1415 Thirty-sixth street northwest; Timothy Costello, 37 K street northwest; James French, 614 K street southeast.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5, meets every Friday night at 7.30, in Hall 1, Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. George W. Nyman, Secretary, 1253 Eighth street northwest.

Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

Electrotype Molders and Finishers, No. 17, I. S. and E. U. Meets Wonn's Hall, 721 Sixth street northwest, the first Thursday of each month. H. C. Poppe, Secretary-Treasurer.

Hod Carriers and Building Laborers Union, No. 21, meets first and third Mondays in each month. Cadets Armory, 718 O street northwest. Dennis Brown, Secretary, 1212 Fourth street northwest.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, Amalgamated, No. 148, meets second and fourth Wednesdays at 922 Pennsylvania avenue n. w. Martin Hellmuth, Secretary, 609 D street southwest.

Plate Printers Union, No. 2, meets on second Sunday in each month at 2.30 p. m., at Typographical Temple, 425 G street northwest. J. Edward Beach, President; J. C. Staats, Secretary, Kensington, Md.

Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Union, No. 11773, meets the first Tuesday in each month at 7.30 p. m., Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. Frank F. Hartwell, Secretary, 810 Twentieth street northwest

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, First Branch, meets every alternate Monday evening at 610 G street northwest, Building Trades Hall. President, R. R. Rhodes. Financial and Recording Secretary, Fred Hook, 1034 Sixth street northeast. Business Agent, W. F. Gilmore, 624 Sixth street northwest.

Tile Setters Helpers, Local No. 12, meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month in Room No. 3, Building Trades Halls, 624 Sixth street northwest. J. Pettis. Recording Secretary, 3409 N street northwest.

Washington Feeders and Assistants No. 42, meets the first Thursday in each month at Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Miss Josephine Mulcahy, Secretary, 29 N street northwest.

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DOWN-TOWN, BY THE WAY.

Candidates for office are "smoking up."

Rat market down-town same as last week, panicky,

Dave Witherspoon is working at the Damon Young Press.

H. F. McGowan and Charles Axe, strikers, are working at Pearson's.

E. B. Buzhardt, is the latest employing printer to sign up for eight hours.

Thomas Flowers is working for Tom Moore. The two Toms make a team.

Thomas Fealey and D. D. Hemming, strikers, are doing eight hours each day at Stormont's.

Lewis J. Collett, who has been confined to his home by an attack of quinsy, is now able to be about.

Clarence McClure, son of our own Theo., in the G. P. O., a plate printer, made the headquarters a pleasant call this week.

Say, did you read the Evening *Times'* editorial on Debs? It was hot stuff, all right. Debs is where Moses was when the light went out. And 'tis a pity.

The teapotters wear the smile that won't come on—A. F. B., in TRADES UNIONIST. And Chairman Parsons wears the smile that wont come off.

John Groves, originally from Roanoke, Va., but late from Pittsburg, is getting enough work on the *Post* to keep himself supplied with pie tickets.

Chas. F. Gove, the genial chairman of the Fifth Division, is a regular visitor at headquarters, and takes the opportunity of telling the boys that he is a candidate for delegate by distributing his announcement cards.

Bela S. Feeney, of the Strikers' Chapel, is now a full-fledged candidate for the Colorado Springs honors. He is busy now-a-days in putting in his spare time from headquarters in distributing his cards and getting acquainted with his soon-to-be-constituents.

P. H. McCormick, President of "Big Six," of New York, and Organizer Geo. W. Jackson, of the same Union, were visitors at eight-hour headquarters Wednesday, and gave the boys pleasant talks upon the subject now nearest to the hearts of printers—the eight-hour work day,

The Nonpareil Quartette is the latest musical combination in down town typographical circles. A neat card announces that W. Fenton Crown, first tenor; S. Arthur Eyler, second tenor; H. F. Montgomery, baritone, and Wm. B. Lowd, basso, can and will sing where occasion requires. Julius Hartmann is pianist,

Henry Noordzy, whom, for some reason, the Lord has placed upon this earth with just enough mentality to be irresponsible for his actions, and who alternates between St. Elizabeth's and the Mission Lodging houses of the town, has "accepted" a position at Wilkins, and the teapot foreman says he is the best printer he has got. Dear reader, it is easy to imagine the rest.

Chief clerk for the Eight Hour Committee, Samuel Willey, is a busy man these days. Reason why? The Eight Hour Committee this week sent out circulars and cards to our friends and the public generally setting forth our side of the eight-hour question, and the responses to the same are astonishing, both as to the number received and the hearty and wholesouled expressions contained therein. Good wishes are coming in by mail in bunches and droves, and to accommodate the mail carrier on our route the committee has had a mail box placed in the corridor on the first floor of the committee building. It makes one feel good to learn how much one is thought of in time of trouble; and these expressions of good luck and God-speed are keeping Samuel busy reading and filing. Nothing like friends.

SAM DE NEDREY.

Likes The Paper.

In a letter renewing his subscription to April, 1907, Lon Shimp, formerly of this city, now a prosperous publisher and printer of Georgetown, Wash., says: "I get more satisfaction out of THE TRADES UNIONIST than any other publication I receive. * * * I am very busy and have been so successful here that I feel the time spent in Washington City as wasted."

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Ed. Weeden, who is connected with the steel plant about to be erected across the river, called on me to pay his respects one day last week. Ed is just as chippy as when he came to the Yard several years ago to learn his trade. He is now foreman of the projectile department. Thus it is, the great steel plants are constantly seeking out the bright minds from the mechanics in the Yard and are making them superintendents of their plants. Ed is a hustler, and I rejoice that he is climbing up the ladder of success.

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FUTURE OF THE NAVAL GUN FACTORY.

Several months ago, through THE TRADES UNIONIST, I requested the Board of Trade, Citizens' Association, and the business men generally, to awaken from their Rip Van Winkle slumbers and investigate the conditions that confronted them in connection with the affairs of the Naval Gun Factory at the Washington Navy Yard. At that time I invited their attention to the fact that a strong combination had been formed for the purpose of converting the great gun plant into a repair establishment; in other words, a plant in which only repairs to guns, gun carriages, etc., would be made, and that all new work to be manufactured be given out by contract to the great steel combination.

I endeavored to the best of my ability to point out what such a move if carried to perfection would mean. The many sacrifices of the mechanics who had come from every city in the union to make this city their home; the many sacrifices of the business men, particularly east of the Capitol, who have invested their all in different lines; the many sacrifices in real estate, all of which would be the result if the wishes of the unholy combination might end in fruition. I was not drawing on my imagination in the least degree. The information was obtained from the best of authority. It failed to awaken, however, from their peaceful slumbers the different bodies enumerated above. The press remained silent although the information was at hand and easily reached. At last there is an awakening, not from the Business Men's Association, but by the Washington *Post*.

It was only a few days ago that the great morning daily took up the question in which I had started the thread weaving months ago. After a careful survey of the whole matter from data furnished by one of its best writers who had made a personal visit to the Yard and saw certain conditions with his own eyes, every statement I made at that time has been fully corroborated by the *Post*. There is one thing certain and reliable, as everyone who reads that daily and are familiar with its management well knows, viz: that the *Post* investigates a case before it prescribes a remedy. Viewing the case from this standpoint, if business men of this city, either by associated bodies or otherwise, feel interested in the further advancement of the Naval Gun Factory and in the enlargement of the work, study the recommendations of the Superintendent of the Naval Gun Factory, as submitted to Congress through the Secretary of the Navy, in which he recommends an appropriation sufficiently large as to make the Naval Gun Factory the greatest gun plant on earth, in which all ordnance necessary for the Navy will be manufactured, which if carried into effect will add not only a thousand more mechanics to the pay roll, but will place an additional million of dollars annually in circulation in this city, which will find its way in all the lines of trade.

What progressive body will be the first to awaken to the dangers that confront them by the loss of such a plant to the business interests of this city? What body of business men will be the first to investigate the statements of the *Post* and act promptly in the matter? What body of citizens interested in the gun plant will be the first to use their influence with Congress to defeat the wishes of the great steel combine? What body of men interested in Greater Washington will be the first to go to Congress and advocate effectively the recommendations made by Captain Eugene Leutze, Superintendent of the Naval Gun Factory.

Let me repeat the words of Captain Leutze to the representative of the Washington *Post*:

"The best skilled mechanics in the world are the gun makers in the Navy Yard.

"The men in the Navy would rather stand behind a gun manufactured in the Naval Gun Factory than one constructed by private contractors. Why? Because they know that the product of the Naval Gun Factory can be relied on for perfection in all its parts.

"The skilled mechanics at present employed in the Naval Gun Factory have been brought to their highest degree of efficiency only by long years of experience.

"That much of the work done by contract is utterly worthless, and only fit for use after a thorough overhauling by the expert mechanics of the Naval Gun Factory.

"Finally, there is no comparison to be made, either in cost or quality, between work done in the Naval Gun Factory and that done by contract.

Much praise is given by the boys to Captain Leutze for his frank, open and honest opinions as represented by the *Post* correspondent. Much praise is also given the Washington *Post* for its effort in clearly proving the fact that a great injustice is done to the skilled artisan, who, by their faithfulness and ingenuity, have made the gun factory such a grand success.

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

Bartenders League Make Handsome Donations to Unions on Strike.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday by President Adams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Amalgamated Society of Carpenters, Second Branch; A. Hartin, E. Magee, W. H. Van Ness, G. M. Chalkley, and G. Troup.

Iron Molders Union, No. 215: Wm. Lusby, A. E. Johnson, C. F. Fagen, James Ward, and Charles McCaffery.

Sheet Metal Workers, No. 102: D. M. Desmond, vice R. G. M. Ross.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Knoxville (Tenn.) Central Labor Union, relative to sending communication to President Roosevelt on repeal of eight-hour on Panama Canal work. Placed on file.

From New Britain (Conn.) Central Labor Union, stating that resolutions of protest had been sent President Roosevelt against proposed evasion of eight-hour law in Panama Canal construction. Placed on file.

From Grays Harbor Trades and Labor Council, Aberdeen, Wash., stating that a letter of protest had been sent to President Roosevelt against the proposed setting aside of the eight-hour law in Panama Canal work. Placed on file.

From Cambridge (Mass.) Central Labor Union, stating that a telegram of protest had been sent President Roosevelt against his signing the urgent deficiency appropriation bill while it contained a clause repealing the eight-hour law on Panama Canal work. Placed on file.

From Fall River (Mass.) Central Labor Union, stating that a strong letter of protest had been sent to President Roosevelt relative to provision in urgent deficiency bill setting aside eight-hour law on Panama Canal work. Placed on file.

From Painters Union, No. 368, asking that Armat Motion Picture Co., Tenth and D streets northwest, be declared unfair. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Gentry Bros. United Shows, stating that the Erie Lithographing and Printing Co., Erie, Pa., would get no more of their work until they put a label on it, as their show printing in future would carry union label. Referred to Erie Typographical Union.

From Frank Morrison, secretary of American Federation of Labor, calling attention to payment of per capita tax for the past quarter being due. Referred to the Financial Secretary.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Bricklayers: Delegate Spohn stated that the chief engineer of the Government Printing Office had a man on the pay roll as a laborer who is employed laying brick, and requested that a committee of three be appointed to request the Public Printer to employ a mechanic to do this work. Request granted, and Delegates Cook, Pfau, and Manning were appointed on the committee.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers: Delegate Van Horne called attention to action at meeting of his Union relative to indorsement of a resolution in sympathy with officers of Western Federation of Miners.

Bartenders League, No. 75: Delegate McCarthy, on behalf of his organization presented two checks of $100 each, one for Columbia Typographical Union and one for Journeymen Plumbers, No. 5, stating that while neither organization had asked for any financial aid, his organization knew that both unions were in need of all assistance, moral and financial, that can be secured and that sister unions should not withhold support until the last moment.

Delegate Dickman, on behalf of Columbia Typographical Union, expressed the thanks of his Union for the generous donation of Bartenders League.

Delegate Barrett, from Plumbers Union, No. 5, also thanked the Bartenders League for the donation to his Union.

Carpet Mechanics: Delegate Colpoys stated that a decision had been rendered by the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor by which his organization would be retained by the American Federation of Labor as Local Unions. His Union desired to thank the Central Body for awaiting the decision of the American Federation of Labor before taking action on the legality of their seats in the Central Labor Union.

Delegate Van Horne, from Bridge and Structural Iron Workers Union, stated that his Union would be ready at all times to assist the Plumbers, both morally and financially.

Horseshoers: Delegate Hesen stated that his Union was still on strike and were in need of moral support of organized labor. He requested that a committee be appointed to visit Horse Shoers Union on Wednesday next to lend encouragement. Request granted, and Delegates DeNedry, Feeney, and Manning were appointed.

Painters: That the Armat Moving Picture Co. were having work done by nonunion men in remodeling the old Times Building. Also that sign painters were embodied in their Local, and would gladly accept all sign painters who desired to join, but would not grant them a separate charter.

Plumbers: Stated that in all probability they would request building trades to assist them by refusing to work on jobs where nonunion plumbers were employed.

Retail Clerks: Delegate Manning stated that a joint meeting of the clerks and clergymen would be held on Wednesday evening, at Typographical Temple, to map out a plan for securing favorable action on bill known as "The Sunday Closing Bill" now before Congress. His Union requested a committee from the Central Labor Union to act in conjunction with them in this matter. The request was granted and the chair appointed Delegates Beaumont, Colpoys, Lusby, Ring, McClure, and Skellinger.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The special order of business being the consideration of the report of the Committee on Revision of the Constitution, the report of the committee was taken up. Several sections were adopted, and the further consideration of the report was made a special order after the reading of the minutes at next meeting.

Adjourned.

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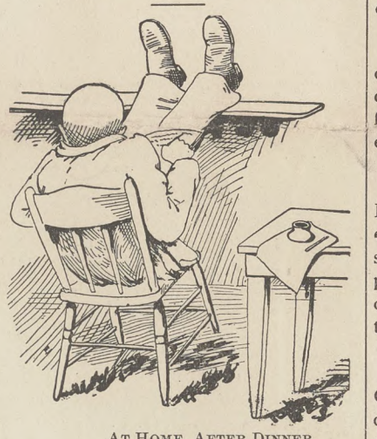

AT HOME, AFTER DINNER, *March 25, 1906.*

Capital pulls the string and expects labor to play the monkey.

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There is some satisfaction and less risk in reading about the races.

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The world needs more real women and fewer simple society dames.

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The world needs more men who dare to do right and who are ashamed to do wrong.

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One of our local churches has started an "Old Maids' Marriageable Club," just for fun.

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Petitions and whereases are vouchers for time wasted. The pigeon-holes are full of such stuff.

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Mr. Charles Garrels, copy editor is, acting as assistant foreman of Specifications, vice Ziegler, resigned.

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It is now Chairman Ben Harrison of the Senate side and "Doc." Welch of the House side of the "Spess."

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The Missouri court could likely secure the attendance of Grandpa Rockefeller by getting possession of baby J. D.

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A girl named Kitty Smith, of Indiana, performs some wonderful feats with her toes. She is said to be perfectly armless.

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To relieve himself of a severe toothache, a Pennsylvania man placed some dynamite to his temple and lighted the fuse. He was a miner, but he doesn't work at the business any more.

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Senator Tillman keeps on at his job of engineering the rate bill, but there are indications that he would just as soon be at home looking after his fences or putting in the spring crops, for a change.

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Mr. Carnegie has handed down an opinion favoring Government control of railroad rates. That man will yet favor an armor plate plant to be operated by the Government, at his death.

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Mr. E. J. Handley, of the Specification Division, submitted to a surgical operation last week for the relief of a stomach trouble. His condition at present writing is considered extremely critical and is a source of deep anxiety to his many friends.

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The schoolmarms of the District of Columbia seem to have succeeded in convincing Congress that so far as they are concerned there is no objection to the proposed raise in salaries, and if actions count for anything Congress is "almost persuaded."

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The records show that the cruelty-to-animals law is not as strictly enforced in New York as in Washington. The fact is not mentioned in a spirit of boastfulness, but rather to once more call attention to the superior advantages of Washington as a residential city.

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There are newspapers which derive their greatest revenue from paid editorials, and the editors prey upon the credulity of the reading public by frequently proclaiming a policy of independence, which is only another way they have of declaring their dependence on the "ins."

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The startling discovery has been made that Americans annually spend $11,000,000 for chewing-gum as against $7,500,000 for foreign missions; and we spend $178,000,000 for candy. These figures are even more startling than those used to adorn the faces of campaign checks.

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Several of the employes remained and substituted the abbreviated lunch and some abstained from the usual luncheon period smoke rather than miss the reading of Orders 44-45 at 12.20 on Saturday last. The reading struck a responsive chord and was several times punctuated with generous applause.

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Every time labor proposes to take a hand in electing some one to more nearly represent its interests the corporations, through their mouthpieces, suggest those things which have so long served as "advice to workingmen," and which remind one of the mother's consent for the daughter to go a-swimming, coupled with the advice not to go near the water.

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The resignation of Mr. J. S. Ziegler, assistant to Captain Ramsey, came as a great surprise. Mr. Ziegler was employed on Specifications for thirty years. He possessed exceptional qualifications and was an indefatigable worker. In whatever field his lines of endeavor are cast Mr. Ziegler may rest assured of continued personal regard by his old associates.

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Vic. Heron, a compositor on THE TRADES UNIONIST, is one of a family of born printers, his father being now employed in the G. P. O. This younger scion wrestles with knotty manuscript, and we cheerfully bear witness to his efficiency from proofs submitted. He is also a member of the Carroll Institute, and victory has so many times perched upon his banner that he is now the accredited amateur champion lightweight wrestler of the South.

CYCLE.

KNIGHTS OF MOMUS.

Annual Banquet of the Old Time Knockers Association.

The banquet given by the Knights of Momus at the Ebbitt House on Sunday evening was well attended. The program contained plenty of talent and was in keeping with the fullest anticipation of all present.

The menu folder was the work of the Graphic Arts Co., and was a good specimen of artistic typographic art.

PROGRAM

Prelude.....A. F. Bloomer
Response.....Toastmaster F. N. Whitehead
Tenor Solo—*Selected*.....Harry Stevens
The Scroll.....F. D. Smith
Song.....P. M. Becker, Jr.
The Proof Reader.....A. P. E. Doyle
Coon Song.....William Holt
Knocks from a Newspaper Man, W. H. Hunter
Recitation.....H. S. Sutton
Bass Solo—*Selected*.....J. Walter Humphrey
A Few Knocks.....F. A. Kidd
Baritone Solo—*Selected*.....John R. Purvis
Miss Alice Hendricks, Accompanist

THE SCROLL.

One of the features at each banquet is the reading of the scroll or minutes of the preceding banquet. Frank D. Smith read the scroll at this banquet and gently lampooned all that officiated at the last one.

Mr. Smith read as follows:

The last annual obfuscation and carouse of the Knights of Momus was held at the Hotel Barton on April 17, 1905. The attendance was very good and the decorum very bad. The dinner could not be described as a poem in gastronomics, but as it was better than most of us get at home the guests paid it the compliment of eating and *pretending* to be happy. We were all very much *delighted* with the service at the Barton, but somehow neglected to pass a resolution of thanks. We also neglected to return to that popular hostelry for our next collation. Joe Gibson was unkind enough to say that this "symposium of vituperation" is largely responsible for the "For Rent" sign that now adorns the front door of the late Barton.

After straining up sufficiently to be able to endure whatever might be inflicted upon us without the aid of an anæsthetic, our sparkling precentor, "Billy" McKean, arose with *some* ostentation—just enough to impress any strangers present with the idea that he was really the "whole thing"—and perpetrated what he called the "prelude," but that is not what *others* called it. It was a solemn and awful occasion. There was an expression of pain on every countenance, and the sigh of relief that went up when he concluded caused the residents of the next block to believe that a gas explosion had occurred. "Mack" has since taken up his abode in Baltimore, which ought to exonerate me *for* being so "meek and gentle with him." I have not the heart to inflict any additional burden upon a man who lives in Baltimore. Penance like that should atone for all offenses not punishable by death. He then introduced T. A. Bynum as the "headliner" of the evening, and Tom thereupon took up his position as toastmaster, and although satisfied that he was acquitting himself gracefully, immediately proceeded to "pi" his "cases" and "run in" a lot of "wrong fonts" on the programme. The general "impression" was that he ought to "pull another proof," but Tom "refereed" his own "matter" and "Ok'd" everything.

By this time, in spite of the artificial hilarity supposed to be produced by a generous indulgence in "Mumm's Extra Dry"—made in Cattaraugus County, New York, and sold for 30 cents per quart—gloom had settled over us like a pall. It was evident that something must be done to give this Belshazzar's feast some semblance of joy. Whitehead was waiting to get in his work, and this knowledge hung over us like the sword of Damocles. At this juncture Mr. Frank D. Smith arose to read the scroll. Like a flash the scene was changed. The atmosphere became joyous and every face was wreathed in smiles. The "Scroll" made a *tremendous* hit. *Every sentence* was punctuated with applause and laughter. One brilliant witticism after another came in such swift succession that the audience was continually convulsed. And when Mr. Smith pretended to balk and stammer over the word "en-to-mo-logi-cal" there was such a furious outburst of hysterical mirth that he had to pause for fear of fatal results. And I have it from an authentic source that Mr. Smith omitted the most highly scintillating and excruciatingly humorous portion of his scroll upon being cautioned by Dr. Atkinson that there were several persons present who had weak hearts.

Then an offense was committed by A. L. Huss, otherwise known as "Shorty," who stood on a stool and offered a toast entitled, "Moral Cosmetics." There are only two points on which this number could be properly criticised First, it was a very poor selection; and, second, it was very badly rendered.

Will A. Smith was the next feature on the program. He warbled "The Maid of the Mill" in a manner that would have driven everybody to distraction but for the fortunate circumstance that a dog fight in front of the hotel attracted the audience to the front windows.

Will E. Burchfield, the irrepressible, after obtaining permission from Purvis, consented to sing "The Order of Friars' Gray," a drinking song, which seemed strangely out of harmony with its environment. Just as he concluded Chris Auracher rapped on the table with his glass for more beer. Billy mistook this for applause and sang an encore. Chris was thrown out.

"Where We Live; the G. P. O.," was the subject of a dissertation by F. N. Whitehead. Mr. Whitehead was a candidate for delegate to the I. T. U. Convention at the time, and fearing he might offend somebody, had edited all the pith and ginger out of his "spontaneous remarks" so that they were as stale as some of Pard Bloomer's jokes. There was not a molecule of thought in a single sentence. It is needless to add that Mr. Whitehead was not elected. I might also add right here that "Foxy" Frank Kidd refused to talk and was elected.

Elliott Brown, alleged basso, endeavored to counteract the depressing effect of Mr. Whitehead's speech by singing the "Gypsy Love Song," but with indifferent success. There is still some prejudice existing against the Gypsies as a race.

Promoter McKean then arose, amidst the most profound silence and a general feeling of apprehension, but when "Mack" announced his retirement from the club a veritable pandemodium of approbation broke forth. With great reluctance he bequeathed all his personal pronouns to Burchfield and Purvis, but as their "upper cases" were already overflowing with "Cap I's," the superfluous "sorts" fell by right of inheritance to J. Lacoste Rodier.

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"Maud S.," whose name is down on the pay roll as H. S. Sutton, recited two or three original poems. I assume that they were original, because I cannot think of anybody else at this time who could produce anything so villainous. The most charitable criticism that I can think of is that some of the verses were worse than others, and that the manner of delivery was worse than the poetry.

All these inflictions coming in such rapid succession produced a general feeling of gloom. The guests were aweary and of heavy heart. They had suffered much and were eager to escape. They would have departed in chagrin and despair, denouncing the whole thing as a miserable fake and a diabolical outrage, had not Mr. Frank D. Smith again come to the rescue with an original poem entitled "The Knockers." This exquisite melange of wit, wisdom and pathos sent a thrill of gladness throughout the assembly and made everybody tranquil and happy, so that all were permeated with a spirit of joy and sunshine, and left the banquet room blessing mankind in general and the Knights of Momus in particular.

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Knock, and the world knocks with you;
Boost and you boost alone
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And has a hammer as large as your own

Buy, and the gang will answer;
Sponge and they stand and sneer;
The revelers are bound to a joyful sound
But shrink from refusing beer.

Be rich and the men will seek you;
Poor, and they turn and go;
You're a mighty good fellow when you are mellow
And your pockets are lined with dough.

Be flush and your friends are many;
Go broke and they will lose you—all.
You're a heluvasport at $4 a quart,
But woe! if you chance to fall.

Praise and the cheers are many;
Beef and the world goes by;
Be smooth and slick and the gang will stick
As close as a hungry fly.

There is always a crowd to help you
A copious draught to drain;
When the jag is gone you must bear alone
The harrowing throbs of pain.

—ANON.

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His presence with instinctive fear,
Nor children's voices ever fell
Inspiringly upon his ear.

He thanked the Lord for gifts which made
The earth from year to year grow fair,
But frowned in anger as he prayed,
When labor claimed a larger share.

His mind was fashioned to condone
The sins of selfishness and greed.
Along his moral pathway shone
The glitter of a frozen creed.

—WILLIAM TIPTON TALBOTT.

THE EIGHT-HOUR LAW.

Acting Secretary of War Requests an Opinion—The Law Sustained.

[BY E. W. OYSTER.]

SIR:—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the note of the Acting Secretary of August 12, transmitting a copy of the act of Congress of August 1, 1892, entitled, "An act relating to the limitation of the hours of daily service of laborers and mechanics employed upon the public works of the United States and of the District of Columbia."

In this note you ask my opinion upon the questions—

First. Does this act apply *only* to such laborers and mechanics as are employed by the Quartermaster's Department upon *public works*, or does it include all other laborers and mechanics employed in the Quartermaster's Department performing the usual and ordinary service of that character in that department?

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The first question for decision is whether this law applies only to labor performed upon *public works*, or whether, as to laborers and mechanics employed directly by the Government or the District of Columbia, it is general and applicable to all cases. Upon the reading of the law the question is by no means clear, and one which, without great violence to the language of the statute, might well be decided either way.

First. In the first place the title, "An act relating to the limitation of the hours of daily service of laborers and mechanics employed upon the *public works* of the United States and of the District of Columbia" clearly favors the more restricted meaning. While this is by no means conclusive, it is a circumstance worthy of consideration." (*Smythe* v. *Fiske*, 23 Wall., p. 380)

On the other hand, the punctuation of the act supports the opposite view. If the law were read with a comma after the word "subcontractor," as first used in the first section, then the phrase "upon any of the *public works* of the United States or of the said District of Columbia" would qualify all the preceding part of the section, and it would be clear that the law should be applied *only* to labor upon the *public works*. If, on the other hand, it be read without such comma, the opposite conclusion would seem to be correct. In the law itself, both as enrolled and printed, there is no such comma. In the reports of both the Senate and House Committees recommending the passage of the bill, in stating the substance of the bill, such comma is used, thus favoring a construction apparently at variance with that indicated by the punctuation of the act itself. It is true, as matter of law, that "punctuation is no part of a statute," and "that courts in construing acts of Parliament or deeds should read them with such stops as will give effect to the whole." (*Hammock* v. *Loan and Trust Co.*, 105 U. S., p. 34.) At the same time, it is true that by using or omitting the comma after the word "subcontractor," as above, the grammatical reading of this statute is changed. Without the comma the clause "*public works*," etc., qualifies only the fact relating to contractors and subcontractors; with the comma it qualifies each of the three clauses of the series. So far, then, with the title on the one side and the punctuation on the other, the argument is perhaps fairly balanced.

But another evidence of the legislative intent, more persuasive than either title or punctuation, must be considered. In 1868 Congress passed an act now standing as section 3738, Revised Statutes, as follows:

"Eight hours shall constitute a day's work for all laborers, workmen, and mechanics who may be employed by or on behalf of the Government of the United States."

This act, without question, was general, applying to all "laborers, workmen, and mechanics" in the direct employment of the United States. In practical administration, however, this section has been held to be merely directory and has not been enforced.

In 1888 another act was passed (Supp. Rev. Stat. 582), containing the following:

"And the Public Printer is hereby directed to rigidly enforce the provisions of the eight-hour law in the department under his charge."

Such was the state of the legislation upon this subject when the act now under consideration was before Congress. It is matter of public history that, ever since the enactment of the statute of 1868, efforts have been made to procure legislation from Congress imperatively requiring the enforcement of that act.

An examination of the debate in the House of Representatives, which was quite extensive, shows that both the supporters and opponents of the bill understood its purpose to be two-fold. First, to render the act of 1868 effectual by imposing penalties for its disregard. Second, to extend that act to the District of Columbia and to contractors and subcontractors of the Government and the District; in short, that the purpose was to make a working day of eight-hours for all laborers and mechanics in the employ of the United States or the District of Columbia wherever employed, and to make a like day for contractors and subcontractors upon the *public works*, and by proper penalties to enforce the observance of such working day. In the Senate the bill was passed without any considerable discussion. But the reports of the Committees of both Houses of Congress (Senate, 948, and House, 1267), while not directly discussing the question here at issue, clearly evince an understanding of the scope and purpose of the act as above stated.

The statute, while in one sense restricting and in derogation of the common right of parties to contract, is nevertheless remedial, and is entitled to a fairly liberal construction.

In view, therefore, of the previous legislation upon the subject, of the alleged evils sought to be corrected, and in deference to the legislative understanding and purpose apparent in debate and reports of committees while the act was under consideration, the act itself, without violence to its language, being susceptible of either construction, I am constrained to hold that the law, as to laborers and mechanics in the direct employment of the Government and of the District of Columbia, is general; and that the limitation to *public works* applies only to such persons as are in the employ of contractors and subcontractors.

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Respectfully,
W. H. H. MILLER.
[*Attorney General.*]
THE SECRETARY OF WAR.

PUBLIC PRINTER PALMER IN DOUBT.

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC PRINTER,
Washington, D. C., *Aug. 9, 1892.*
Hon. A. C. MATTHEWS, First Comptroller, Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

SIR: I send herewith copy of "An act relative to the limitation of the hours of daily service of laborers and mechanics employed upon the *public works* of the United States and of the District of Columbia," approved August 1, 1892, and have to request you to inform me whether or not, in your opinion, the provisions of the same apply to the employes of the Government Printing Office.

Very respectfully,
F. W. PALMER.
Public Printer.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

FIRST COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
Washington, *August 10, 1892.*
Hon. F. W. PALMER, Public Printer,
Government Printing Office.

SIR: In reply to your letter of the 9th inst., in which you ask whether, in my opinion, the provisions of the Act approved August 1, 1892, entitled "An act relating to the limitation of the hours of daily service of laborers and mechanics employed upon the *public works* of the United States and of the District of Columbia," apply to the employes of the Government Printing Office, I have the honor to suggest that, while I have an opinion on the subject, in view of the importance of the question, and the influence it might have on the public at this particular time, you refer the question to the Attorney General for his determination.

Respectfully yours,
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The spirit of a most notable woman passed away recently, though her personality and influence will live on. I admire a noble character—one who lives for a principle—yet I cannot refrain from asking myself: What would her sphere in life have been had Susan B. Anthony enjoyed the life blessing of wifehood and motherhood?

It looks as if there will be a coal strike, and neither side to the controversy seems to rely at this time on the President as an intermediary. The only way a sensible settlement of this question can be reached is by the Government taking control, as it must, sooner or later, of all that pertains to human needs and happiness, but is in the grasp of a monopoly, whether it be capital or labor. Government control, however, is too heavy a question to deal with in a paragraph.

With the retirement of Oscar J. Ricketts from the G. P. O. there is in that office the anomaly of "pleasureable regret." The three thousand and more employes had hoped for his elevation to the office of Public Printer, thereby feeling that one from the ranks had, through the "merit system," been rewarded for faithful service. His not being able to reap this reward caused an honest regret, but the knowledge that he is to step into a more lucrative sphere and reap a reward for ability and earnest effort is the pleasure caused by the retirement. From the "case" to the highest position in the G. P. O. Mr. Ricketts bore himself as the one man. He knew the name, position and condition of each man and woman employed, and had their confidence. In that was his real strength. With a lack of confidence in a superior, no subordinate can do justice to his office.

The elevation of Charles E. Young to the position of Foreman of Printing has given great satisfaction to the army of employes in the G. P. O., and has done more to allay the spirit of unrest that pervaded the office than the Public Printer can realize. It serves as an assurance that a "square deal" is in the deck for the straightforward, capable men and women, those who depend more upon an honest service than upon the silk-hatted and frock-coated ability that they whirl down from the Hill in an automobile. "Charlie" Young's record as a compositor, proof reader, copy editor and foreman shows a continued line of intelligent service, and it is the P. P. rather than Mr. Young who is a "lucky man."

John Peffer, the leading fun spirit of the Night Proof Room, tells me that the quiet, calm deliberations of the Night Main Proof Room were disturbed by a pleasant ripple of excitement, just before the call of "time," Saturday morning. Almost from time immemorial, certainly before the Government Printing Office was created, it has been the pleasant custom of his fellow employes to present to Mr. John F. Connolly, upon the anniversary of his patron saint, a green shamrock with trimmings to testify to their appreciation of his loyalty to good old St. Patrick. The members of the chapel were marshalled by Chairman Thomas and, with measured tread, escorted Judge Ennis, who was chosen as speaker for the occasion. Mr. Connolly, as usual, was overcome with surprise, but recovered as the Judge proceeded with his speech.

In reply, our jovial friend "Jack" got as far as:

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Second Division.

At a chapel meeting of the Second Division held March 22, the following resolutions offered by William Tipton Talbott, were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Second Division chapel, Government Printing Office, congratulates the Eight-Hour Committee of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, upon its conservative and efficient management of the eight-hour strike; and

Resolved, That, in accordance with the suggestion of the Eight-Hour Committee in regard to the circulation of eight hour literature and other matters connected with the fight for a short workday, a committee of three, of which the Chairman of the chapel shall be ex-officio a member, shall be appointed, said committee to consider what steps, if any, should be taken by this chapel looking to the furtherance of union interests in the premises; and

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Eight-Hour Committee and printed in THE TRADES UNIONIST.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

Second Division—Night.

At least one phase of the "race" question has been solved.

The daddy of this chapel, who is also the daddy of several kids, begged off Monday to play—not the races, but to play with No. 8, a ten-pound girl who arrived that morning.

Those semi-occasional love feasts in the Bill Force chapel were, like dog shows, "a howling success," for it was finally decided by unanimous consent that two plus two makes four.

The resolution presented by Mr. Hatley, to send two delegates only to the I. T. U. convention deserves careful consideration, and should, I believe, be submitted to referendum vote.

As chairmen are now handicapped in collecting dues and assessments, it is to be hoped that at an early date some arrangement will be made whereby all moneys may be paid direct to the Secretary at the Temple.

The action of the Public Printer in appointing Mr. Chas. E. Young, as foreman of printing was confirmed by the night force on the same evening of the appointment. The rousing ovations tendered the gentleman upon his appearance was the expression of unfeigned joy.

The following members of this chapel are enjoying (?) a furlough of uncertain duration: W. W. Barron, J. K. Bittenbender, Harry Boate, S. H. Lenoir, S. W. McCoy, J. T. Morsell, J. S. Perkins, J. E. Rastall, V. W. Roberds, Robt. Robinson, Sr., Danl. P. Sullivan, F. H. Trott, W. J. White, E. O. Whitman, J. M. Taylor, C. S. Shutterly.

The Cascaret Glee Club, under the direction of "Pard" Handiboe, renders a song service nearly every morning after working hours in the wash room. The favorite selections are Jersey Sam, Larbo'rd Watch, and the doxology. The special music for "St. Patrick's day in the morning" was necessarily omitted, because Handiboe washed up before time.

The Cheerful Idiot of the Day Second left the following enigma for solution by the night-men. After reconsidering a motion to refer it to the Keep Commission, the whole matter was laid on the dead stone: "If you get a take that requires fifteen minutes to set, and spend thirty minutes looking for a case, what is the per cent of reduction of a Kansas farmer's taxes?"

Our mutual friend, W. A. Roberts ("Uncle Bill") of the Bill Force, was presented with a bottle of champagne and some choice cigars by the Bill Force chapel Saturday evening, the occasion of his birthday. Chairman F. C. Roberts made the presentation speech, in which he spoke of the esteem in which the recipient is held by his fellow-craftsmen, and also alluded to his honorable record of three years service in the civil war.

The following from the day force were transformed into cascarets and assigned to this Division Monday: G. H. Birdsall, T. C. Boyd, J. D. Bradley, W. J. Carson, T. D. Casey, T. Donahue, W. E. Drenner, J. T. Geraci, W. J. C. Greevy, J. T. Halpin, J. Kelso, F. W. Kihlbom, W. R. McKenley, G. Mullins, J. E. Myers, J. T. Percival, W. F. Richards, F. J. Sloan, J. F. Stewart, E. A. Vogts, J. E. Wayson, A. K. Williamson, Wm. Y. Clarke, and A. S. Jones.

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Sixth Division.

They tell me the Knockers' banquet was by no means a dry affair.

The resignation of J. S. Ziegler, assistant foreman of the Spess, came as a complete surprise last week. During his thirty years' connection with the G. P. O. he has made many friends whose best wishes will follow him in his future career.

Report says that J. N. Whitehead, toastmaster of the Knockers' banquet, was introduced by A. F. Bloomer. This reminds me of the story of the little boy who, on being told that God made the earth, wished to know who made God. But of course Mr. Bloomer needed no introduction.

Among the members of the Nordica Banjo Club present at last Sunday's gathering were the two charming daughters of Jacob Cozlin, of the G. P. O. bindery, Miss Anna accompanying the club on the piano, while the little Miss Pansy performed on the piccolo banjo. Each are clever performers in their line and gained many admirers by their work of Sunday.

A promotion this week which caused much favorable comment throughout the [illegible] is that of Timekeeper Ed. Moor[illegible] the *Record*, to the position of an assistant inspector. Mr. Moores has long and faithfully served in his past capacity, and his promotion to the assistant inspectorship will give the printers a representative in whom every confidence can be placed. The new inspector called on Monday in this Division and received hearty congratulations. Jerome Kendall, of the *Record* make-up force, has taken the place vacated by Mr. Moores.

Hanging from the second story of the Colorado building, Fourteenth and G streets, in bright gold letters is the name of Oscar J. Ricketts. It's a name that brings pleasant recollections to printing office people, and the warm welcome that was always extended by him to employes who called on business while connected with the G. P. O. will be found not lacking by those who desire to see him at his new place of business.

Printers who desire to assist those who assist them should not overlook the kindness of Prof. Walter T. Holt, of the Washington College of Music, in volunteering the services of himself and the Nordica Banjo Club at the meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary on Sunday. The Professor is a teacher of stringed instruments and a friend of labor, and labor people should remember him when they desire such services for themselves or members of their families.

Printer Odd Fellows are pointing out with considerable pride the fact that all printing sent out by the Grand Lodge and the local body contain the imprint of the Allied Printing Council label. There is no denying the fact that printers are "jiners," being found in large numbers in the orders of Masonry, Odd Fellows, Elks, Knights of Pythias, Knights of Columbus, Macabees, National Union, and so on down the line. If the printer members of these orders would make it their business to interview the lodge secretaries on the subject of printing much good for the eight hour cause might be accomplished,

An innovation in the way of bringing to the attention of employes the order of the Public Printer was inaugurated on Saturday at noon when the different Division foremen read, or had read, to the employes the general order of the Public Printer in regard to "playing the races." The position is taken that an account will be kept of employes absenting themselves from work during the race meet, and that later should any man be brought to the Front Office for non-payment of debts, if the record shows that he was a race-meet attendant, it will be considered as good evidence against him, and action taken accordingly.

John E. Luitich, of this Division, gets into the limelight of the baseball world through an extensive article reviewing the work of the amateur baseball teams of the District during the year 1905, and printed in Spalding's Base Ball Guide for 1906. The article is fully illustrated with pictures of different base ball teams, among which of especial interest to the printing office are the Cowboys, Foundry, Blanks and Pressmen. There are also pictures of the Department League teams, Church League teams, and four teams of the Capital City League, besides several pictures of independent clubs, such as the District Commissioners. On the whole the work is very commendable and shows a familiarity with baseball affairs not often met with. The author, Mr. Luitich, is the busiest man in town. Aside from acting as a coach to amateur actors, and managing an amateur theatrical organization during the winter, and the Aloysius base ball team during the summer, he is the father of a pretty pair of twin babies that require his time when not otherwise engaged.

The mass meeting at Typographical Temple last Sunday under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary was a success. It was a success both in point of attendance and the excellent program rendered. From the time President Mrs. B. V. Wolfe called the meeting to order until "Cos." Rodier brought it to a close with a rousing speech, marked attention was shown. There was a certain something about the meeting that was inspiring beyond the ordinary inspiration which comes to one listening to good speeches and choice music. Whether it was because the program was being rendered by old-time G. P. O. favorites or because the subject discussed was of vital interest matters not. Suffice it to say it was a success. The musical favorites were Mrs. Jessie Spencer Hover and John R. Purvis, Mrs. Hover rendering a soprano, and Mr. Purvis a bass solo, each accompanied by Mrs. E. N. Wild, pianist. The Nordica Banjo Club rendered two delightful selections. In the club were Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Gompers and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stutsman. Speeches were made by T. C. Parsons, Miss Laura Gordon, Frank N. Kidd, Prof. Willis Moore, of the Weather Bureau, Mrs. Ed. Thomas and "Cos." Rodier, whose recital of sweat-shop conditions he had seen was of especial interest. The speeches were of exceptional merit, and I hope I will not be charged with flattery in saying that those of Miss Gordon and Mrs. Thomas were second to none. In all, it was an afternoon well spent, and I hope the near future will bring forth another one.

Among others, Chairman Philip S. Steele, of the First Division, has forwarded to the officers and members of the Methodist Church in conference assembled at Baltimore a memorial reciting the grievances of the printers against the Methodist Church for its stand on the eight-hour question. The memorial contains the signatures of a large number of printers of the Methodist Church, and aside from a review of the affairs leading up to the trouble between Typographical Union and the Methodist Book Concern, says in regard to the eight-hour question: "The Almighty Father, the Loving Son, the Guiding Spirit in this age of religious conquest of the world demand it; the care of our homes and the coming generations demand it; the development of the religious life among the toiling millions demand it; and what the Methodist Church stands for to-day and stood for in its past history under the itinerary and out standing posts of civilization, is as permanently fixed in our minds as that God raised up, under the fostering care and motherhood at Epworth, John and Charles Wesley, and those other men of holy memory whose co-operation and sacrifice made it possible for the masses to receive the Gospel of the Mighty Christ."

CHAS. S. GUNN.

DOWN-TOWN, BY THE WAY.

Rat market is fearful panicky.

The campaign knockers are knocking about.

Yes, Mr. Parsons still wears the smile that won't come off.

Good morning. Have you received your portion of eight-hour literature?

McC. Spence, of Judd's, is visiting at Easton, over on the eastern shore of Maryland.

Harry W. Houser, once of the strikers' chapel, now of Baltimore, was over this week on a short visit.

Now that the ladies have "catched" the eight-hour fever, there is bound to be a boiling of the teapot soon.

By those best informed it is declared that the scale controversy down-town will be settled before the next U. S. census is taken.

Mr. George Bierach, striker, who was down to Winston, Va., on an organizing trip, has returned home, well satisfied with his work.

Tom Moore's chapel has a mascot in the shape of a brand new puppy. He is full of life and is of good blood. He has been christened Jonadab.

The Eddy Press, a large book and job office of Winchester, is also in the eight-hour column, as well as the *Evening Star*. The organizing work of F. C. Roberts has borne fruit.

S. H. Willey, of strike headquarters, visited Harper's Ferry last week, to attend the seventeenth anniversary of the local Council of the Sons of Jonadab. Mr. Willey is grand sovereign chief of that order.

William Griffis, formerly of the strikers' chapel, but now at the works on North Capitol street, procured the necessary document to commit matrimony last Saturday. His friends rejoice in his good luck.

There is a fellow working in one of the struck shops, who formerly followed the occupation of driving an ice wagon. The ice wagon drivers are organized now, and when the battle is over what will become of him, poor thing! Sentence him to eat a ton of ice at one sitting.

The Teapotters down-town declare they are getting all the help they need. The secret of it all is that they seem to have a claim of some sort on St. Eiizabeth's, across the river. One office now has in its employ two former inmates of that institution. Well, no one but a crazy man would rat nowadays.

George Norton, publisher of the *Daily News Item*, Winchester, Va., has signed the eight-hour agreement, and is conducting a union office. Mr. Norton is a former member of No. 101, and was for a number of years a member of the *Record* Division of the G. P. O. W. G. Dorsey, who came out of one of the teapot offices here, is employed on the *News Item*

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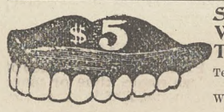

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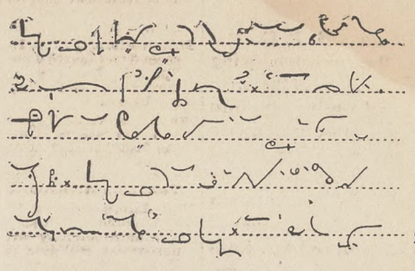
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MR. ROBERTS: The duties of a chairman are sometimes pleasant and sometimes unpleasant, but I assure you the duty the chairman is called upon to-night to perform is a very pleasant one. For it is a pleasure to have the privilege to convey to a member of this Chapel, though in a feeble way, the good will and congratulations on this, your sixty-eighth anniversary. You have carried a union card for fifty years, and during that time you have always had the respect of your fellow-craftsmen. To have the good will, the respect, the love, and admiration of those with whom you have spent your years is an honor to be proud of, for that is something that gold and position cannot always command.

And there is another incident which took place today in my own native Southland that tell your heroic deeds and valor and, shoulder to shoulder with the boys who wore the blue, have made possible, and that is the unveiling of the monument erected by the State of Pennsylvania in the city of Vicksburg, Miss., in honor of your comrades who went South to meet men worthy of their steel.

So in presenting to you this little token of good fellowship it is the wish of all when I say:

May your years to come be pleasant,
And your pathway be bright,
Is the wish of the boys
Assembled here to-night.

At the conclusion of the chairman's remarks it was evident that Mr. Roberts was too overcome to make reply, and when called upon for a speech could only say, "Boys, I appreciate this more than I am able to express. I thank you one and all."

Mr. Roberts was a member of Company K, Forty Fifth Pennsylvania Regiment.

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TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

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Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 722 Sixth street northeast.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

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Executive Council Meeting.

The Executive Council of the American Federation concluded its session last Saturday, after sitting two weeks. In point of matters discussed it was one of the most important sessions ever held.

During last week (March 21) the famous "Bill of Grievances" was made up and presented to the executive and legislative branches of the Government, supported by representatives of nearly all the Internationals affiliated with the American Federation of Labor.

The absolute lack of interest displayed in the present Congress toward passing labor legislation brought forth a protest that will be remembered long after the next election.

Among other matters considered at the Executive Council meeting was the coal miners situation, the application of the Steam Fitters for a charter, and several other trade jurisdiction contests.

The Steam Fitters and Plumbers were asked to endeavor to amalgamate, which is apparently a hard proposition, considering the feeling on both sides.

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

At a special meeting of Columbia Lodge, No. 174 I. A. of M., ex-President Emmett L. Adams was elected business agent. He will be intrusted with all legislation before Congress and attend to all necessary work of the lodge in connection with the Navy Department and the Naval Gun Factory. The right man in the right place.

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At the regular meeting of Columbia Lodge last Wednesday evening, an incident out of the regular routine of business occurred. Before the meeting was opened groups of men were gathered discussing a condition that was about to confront the lodge. One brother whispered to another that a serious change was to be preferred against our newly elected business agent. Wonderment, coupled with anxiety, was in every mind, and on every face.

"What is the charge?" asked one brother of another. Every one seemed in the dark, except a small band of conspirators, and they were as silent as a Boston clam.

When the lodge had advanced in their routine work to the good of the order, Prof. A. E. Holder arose and said:

MR. PRESIDENT: I am placed in an embarrassing position this evening. I have been delegated to perform a duty—one I have endeavored to escape in vain. I have been requested to prefer a serious charge against a prominent member of this Association. We were told ages ago by the lowly Nazarene that a prophet was not without honor save in his own country. I am about to refute that statement to-night.

Turning to ex-President Adams, he said:

Sir, you have been accused of a most heinous crime. We have watched your coming and going among us. In all your walks of life your conduct in the lodge and in the workshop have been carefully scrutinized by your comrades. Nothing has escaped their vigilant eyes. After the many trials to which you have been subjected the time is at hand when they are about to wreak their vengeance on your unsuspected head.

You have been duly tried and convicted of being the most indefatigable worker in the lodge in your efforts to ameliorate the conditions of your fellow man. It only remains for me to pass judgment by your acceptance of this beautiful tea service that I present to you and your estimable wife as a token of love and esteem by your shopmates of the Miscellaneous Shop.

For the moment Brother Adams was dumbfounded. It was only for the moment, however.

"Words cannot express my feelings," said Brother Adams. "This beautiful gift coming from the men with whom I have been associated for several years will only be an incentive to push on farther, to work only so much harder for the betterment of humanity and the uplifting of mankind. I want to say to-night that every pulsebeat, every throb of my heart goes out to you, my brothers, in a just and holy cause. I know not what fate may have in store for me in the future. Come what may there never will come a time when the action of to-night will fade from my memory. I thank you all, not only for myself, but also for the sweetest little woman on earth—a good trades unionist."

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I have been much interested in the work that is being conducted by Mrs. Gitterman and others for the betterment of the general condition of women and children. There is one condition, however, that seems to have escaped their notice, viz.: the lack of seating accommodations for the female employees in our stores, both department and small establishments, while not engaged in waiting on customers. Go into any large store, say in the afternoon, and watch the actions of the lady clerks, see the many changes in position in which they place themselves simply to rest. Look at their wan faces, which are but mirrors reflecting tired bodies. From many of these large establishments will come the mothers of a future generation.

Is it reasonable to expect their offspring to be sound in body as in mind when possibly for years the mothers have spent eight and ten hours each day standing on their feet? There are many conditions in a woman's life that does not enter into the sterner sex. Therefore we who are husbands and fathers should do everything in our power to ameliorate their sufferings and improve their conditions. Why cannot the heads of these great establishments provide stools for their lady clerks, so, while they are not engaged otherwise, they could rest. No one can tell the great value a few minutes' rest at the proper time will be to our girls who are compelled to earn their bread. To furnish stools for these employes is but a humane request, and if not complied with let the matter be taken to Congress and such legislation enacted that will compel the employers to recognize the fact that our loved ones, although they are employes, are human beings. I find in other cities such laws have been passed, and in every instance with good results. Why cannot the same line of action be taken in this city?

By having such a law enacted the ladies who are doing so much in committee work before Congress will receive the everlasting blessings of the thousands of female clerks in our many stores. I would also call the attention of trades unionists of every craft to discuss this matter and see if some logical solution of the matter can be arrived at. It will require work, but the results will be greater than the work. Then we will not see young girls come home from the stores too tired to enjoy their supper, only anxious to find their bed to rest, a tired body. But to the contrary we will see brighter faces and healthier bodies. They are our girls, and we should assist them to health and happiness.

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In an interview with a prominent naval officer several months ago, relative to the future of the Naval Gun Factory, he said: "I am of the opinion that the mechanics of the Yard do not fully understand the position in which the superintendent is placed as the head of this great plant." This interview took place at the time when the employes of the Yard were denied the Saturday half holiday, on the recommendation of the superintendent. In the first place the contractor is using all his influence to have the work now being done here given out by contract, to enable him to increase his bank account. Next we have the Congressman, who is seeking by all reasonable means to assist his friend, the contractor, and last of all we have, and I say it with regret, naval officers who are advocating the same mode of procedure.

I can easily fathom the first proposition; the second is not hard to solve; but the third is a stunner. I have endeavored in vain to work out this problem. I cannot understand why a naval officer who may be called upon to perform sea service at a moment's notice, and knowing also that he may be compelled to accept service on board a battleship whose armament is the product of the contract system, could form such opinions in variance to the plain statement of Captain Leutze, who so truthfully pictured the fear of the gunners in firing the product of contract labor. Do they not fully understand that an officer is in charge of the firing squad during an engagement, and do they not as fully understand that the officer who advocates contract guns may be that very man in charge during that engagement? What advantage would it be to that man while he is on shore to advocate contract work which has proven inferior in many respects, if he should be in charge of a turret when a gun explodes—and no hope for escape from a terrible death? I cannot believe that naval officers are welcoming such a death. I understand that it is glorious to die for your country, but I believe that I would rather live and kill the other fellow. I believe that the average naval officer is just as sensitive on this question as I. Therefore I say I cannot understand the third proposition.

In my intercourse with naval officers as a rule I have found them to be men of broad intellects and with advanced ideas on the manufacture of ordnance, and I say it to their credit that in many interviews and in general conversations I have never heard one advance the theory that contract guns even equaled, much less excelled, the home made ordnance of the Naval Gun Factory.

Take the testimony of the ex-chiefs of the Ordnance Bureau before Congress, and you will find an unbroken opinion—that contract gun manufacture is a delusion.

Mr. E. W. Oyster faithfully described the situation in which he quoted Rear Admiral W. M. Folger, who, while chief of Ordnance Bureau, said: "The Naval Gun Factory, working eight hours per day, can build guns cheaper and far better than the contractor who works his employes ten or even twelve hours." Ex-Chief of Bureau O'Neil also adds his testimony to the same effect, in praising the workmanship of the gun builders in the home plant.

Capt. Leutze, present superintendant, also his predecessor, Capt. Pendleton, have time and again given evidence of the same character. When such men of ability and experience furnish evidence so sound and logical will some one point out the ones who are furnishing testimony for the contractor to prove his claim that he can build better guns and cheaper guns than Uncle Sam can build at his home institution? I am waiting for an answer.

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A North Dakota editor unburdens himself thusly: "The politician is my shepherd. I shall not want for anything during the campaign. He leadeth me into the saloon for my vote's sake. He filleth my pocket with good cigars and my beer glass runneth over. He enquireth concerning my family, even unto the fourth generation. Yea, even though I walk through the mud and the rain to vote for him and shout myself hoarse at the election, he straitway forgetteth me. Although I meet him at his own house, he knoweth me not. Surely, the wool hath been pulled over my eyes all the days of my life."

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

New Constitution Adopted, With Several Very Important Changes.

HOD CARRIERS ASK FOR ACTION

Horse Shoers Union Ask That W. M. Galt & Co. Be Declared Unfair—Window Cleaners Want Assistance in Organization—Letter From West Indies.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday, President Adams in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The special order of business being the consideration of the revision of the Constitution, it was proceeded with. After several amendments were considered and adopted, the Constitution was adopted as a whole and 1,000 copies ordered printed.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, indorsing a letter from Window Cleaners Union, No. 12020, asking that organization of that Union be advanced. Referred to Organization Committee.

From Journeymen Horse Shoers Union, No. 17, asking that Wm. Galt & Co., flour dealers be declared unfair to organized labor, that firm having its horses shod in a nonunion shop. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Port-of-Spain Central Trades and Labor Assembly, Trinidad, B. W. I., stating that they had sent the following communication to President Roosevelt, in response to a request to protest against setting aside the eight-hour law on the Panama Canal:

Mr. THEODORE ROOSEVELT, President,
U. S. A., White House, Washington, D. C.:

SIR: I am directed to inform you that at a meeting of the Port-of-Spain Central Trades and Labor Assembly, held on Tuesday the 6th inst., it was unanimously resolved:

First. That this protest be immediately sent to you against the action of the United States House of Representatives to waive by means of a rider, through what is known as an Urgent Deficiency Bill, the federal eight-hour law in the case of aliens who may be employed on the Isthmus of Panama.

Second. That such action is regarded as a serious attempt to abrogate the laws of a country that boasts of the desire to ameliorate the conditions of its people.

Anticipating that you will use your personal influence, apart from your power, to induce the Members of your House to reconsider the action.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your humble and obedient servant,
THEO. A. CHANCE,
Secretary.

From Hod Carriers Union, No. 21, indorsing a copy of a letter from International Hod Carriers Union relative to alleged discrimination by Bricklayers Union, No. 1, against Hod Carriers Union, No. 21. Referred to Organization Committee.

Delegate Pollock, from Retail Clerks Union, No. 262, calling attention to the fact that under new Constitution the sessions of the Central Labor Union should close not later than 11 p. m., and it being 11.03 p. m., the chair declared the meeting adjourned.

Bookbinders Elect Delegates.

The election of delegates to attend the convention of the International Brotherhood of Bookbinders, to be held in this city next June, was held by Local No. 4, on Tuesday.

The campaign was one of the quietest ever conducted, very little interest being apparent in the contest, due probably to the fact that no trip was to accompany the honors.

The election resulted as follows: J. L. Feeney, Dr. Daniel McFarlan, W. B. Hyde, Joseph P. Van Overmeer.

Mail at Typographical Temple.

The following persons have mail at Typographical Temple. A request to this office to forward same will be promptly complied with:

John M. Shaen.	H. A. Webb.
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C. H. Stewart.	John M. Sheuy.
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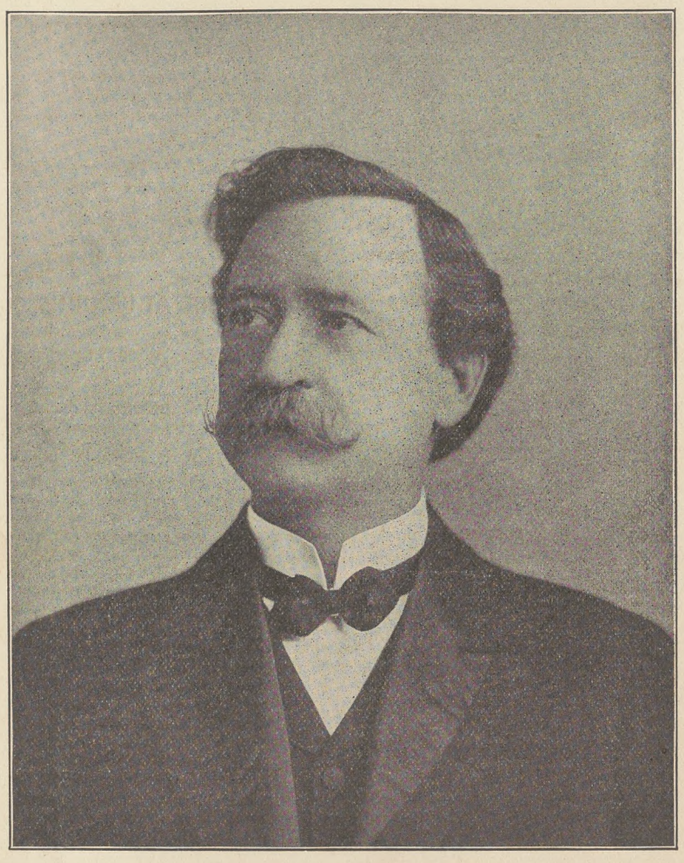

HON. GEORGE W. SMITH, OF ILLINOIS.

Hon. GEORGE W. SMITH, of Murphysboro, Ill., was born in Putnam County, Ohio, August 18, 1846; was raised on a farm; learned the trade of blacksmith; in 1870 graduated from University at Bloomington, Ill.; was admitted to the bar of the Supreme Court of Illinois in 1880. Was elected to the Fifty-First, Fifty-Second, Fifty-Third, Fifty-Fourth, Fifty-Fifth, Fifty-Sixth, Fifty-Seventh and Fifty-Eighth Congresses.

Congressman Smith has at all times been ready and willing to favor every bill for the advancement of union and American labor. As a representative of the Central Labor Union of this city, working for organized labor at the Nation's Capitol, I have found no better friend to the cause of union labor than Hon. G. W. Smith. In 1889 a bill to give out by contract (non-union of course) the printing and binding of the Twelfth Census was defeated, and one of our friends in this fight was Mr. Smith. The eight-hour bill when it passed the House of Representatives years ago had as one of its supporters Mr. Smith. The anti-convict clause of the post-office appropriation bill of 1904 was supported by Mr. Smith, and at the present time he has a bill in Congress to give to the great mass of union employes of the Government Printing Office at Washington thirty days leave each year, and it is to the vital interest of union labor that men like G. W. Smith remain in Congress.

E. J. ROCHE.

Seats for Store Girls.

To the Editor of the TRADE UNIONIST.

DEAR SIR: Permit me to express, through your columns, the fact that I am very thankful for the suggestion in your issue of March 29 wherein my attention was called to "the lack of seating accommodations for the female employees in our stores." Immediately upon reading the paragraph setting forth the need for this good work, I sent for the exact text of the New York law, and the matter shall be taken up at once. But we must *all* help; and I wonder whether you know how hard it is to work with and for any unorganized body of women—or men either, for that matter? So, while I am trying to get the regulation suggested, will the suggestor kindly *organize* the friends who are to be supplied with stools in order that we may have the benefit of consulting with their own leaders, and in every way may work hand in hand with their own elected spokeswomen, and in strict accordance with the desires expressed through the lips of their own officers? If my counter suggestion is taken up as enthusiastically as I have adopted the suggestion about seats, then the next few weeks will see a happy progress in each and every direction for our young sisters who bear the heat and burden of the day's toil,

I take pleasure in adding the wording of the New York law, which reads as follows: "Chairs, stools, or other suitable seats shall be maintained in mercantile establishments for the use of female clerks employed therein."

The law goes on to state that there must be one for every three females employed in each store.

Trusting that you may find room for my letter in your valuable columns, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,
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Ex-Delegates' Association.

The Ex-Delegates' Association of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, held its regular quarterly session last Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The meeting was well attended and several matters of importance were discussed and disposed of.

A committee was appointed to make preparations for the annual banquet of the Association. The committee comprises T. A. Bynum, Z. T. Jenkins, Miss Anna Wilson, Wm. H. Love, and Mark Barnum.

The newly elected officers were inducted in office. The officers are as follows: President, D. G. Hussey; vice-president, J. A. Onyun; secretary, J. T. Herbert; treasurer, C. W. Otis; sergeant-at-arms, H. S. Sutton.

The president appointed his committees as follows:

Board of Trustees: T. M. Ring, T. A. Bynum, and Z. T. Jenkins.

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Finance Committee: Geo. G. Seibold, Philip S. Steele, Lorenzo C. Hover, James A. Healy, and T. C. Parsons.

Entertainment Committee: H. C. Knapp, chairman.

Death of Henry Gompers.

Samuel Gompers, president of American Federation of Labor, left for New York Wednesday night to attend the funeral of his brother, Henry Gompers, who died at Mt. Clemens, Mich., yesterday.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll. N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

Gone to High Point, N. C.

F. C. Roberts has been sent to High Point, N. C., on a special mission by President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, to endeavor to adjust a lock in that city.

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THE INJUNCTION IS GRANTED

Judge Stafford Grants the Injunction Asked For by Typothetae.

COMMITTEE SERVED WITH WRIT

Must Not Approach Man With a Contract—Kindly Advice Given the Union by the Court—Right of Individual Must be Protected at Any and All Times.

Judge Stafford, in Equity Court No. 2, handed down his decision last Friday granting a preliminary injunction against Columbia Typographical Union and the Eight-Hour Committee of that Union asked for by the local Typothetæ.

The decision appears to give the Typothetæ all the best of it, although the principal complaint—violence to the strike-breaker—was not made out.

We clip the following from the *Star*, which paper covered the decision fully:

Justice Stafford, in Equity Court No. 2, Friday, granted a preliminary injunction against Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, and its eight-hour or strike committee, pending the final hearing of the suit instituted by Byron S. Adams and other employing printers, or until further order of the court. The injunction order restrains the union and all its members, and all persons acting under its authority, from interfering with any of the complainants in preventing them from conducting their business in their own lawful way. The injunction also prevents the union from compelling any of the complainants to yield to the demands of the defendants touching the manner in which business shall be conducted by them.

The methods of interference interdicted by the court's orders are any attempts to induce employes under contract to remain in the service of the plaintiffs, to break such contracts and leave their employment, and any attempts to coerce any of their actual employes into leaving or any intending employes not to enter the employment of the plaintiffs.

The court's order requires the defendants to refrain from the use of opprobrious epithets to employes of the complainants; from following them about the streets against their will and request; from persistently surrounding, importuning and entreating them against their will; from meeting and intercepting the employes on their way to and from their work for the purpose of doing any of the things forbidden by the court's ruling.

The substance of the employers' complaint, the court said, is that when their workmen left them on strike they employed and brought in other workmen to take their places, and would have been able to carry on their business successfully and perform the contracts they had in hand if they had not been interfered with by the defendants; but that the defendants have interfered with their business by inducing or compelling their new employes to quit their service.

Continuing, the court said: "Some of these new employes, the employers say, were under binding contracts to work for stated periods so that they had no right to quit when they did. Others of them, the employers say, were not under binding contracts to work for any stated period, but would have continued to work if the defendants had not annoyed, molested, and in some instances threatened them to such an extent that contrary to their own choice and preference they left their employers' service.

"The employers also complain that the defendants have undertaken to interfere with their business by representing to the public, and especially to the employers' customers, that if they continue to patronize the employers they will have difficulty and annoyance in getting their work done, and they complain that this representation is so expressed as to constitute a threat."

The court, commenting further, said that the employers complain that the defendants maintain pickets on the streets and in the vicinity of their respective shops who meet their workmen when they are on their way to and from work and insist on talking with them and attempting to persuade them to leave their jobs and join the union.

The employers also claim, the court said, that in some cases such pickets or committees have surrounded their workmen and carried their importunities so far as to amount to intimidation and coercion.

Taking up the reply of the defendants, the court remarked:

"On the other hand, the substance of the defendants' claim is that they have never interfered with the employers' business in any of the ways charged. They say that they have never attempted to persuade any of the employers' workmen to quit their service if they knew or believed such workmen to be under binding contract with their employers. They say that the contracts under which such men were working were not binding.

"They admit that they have constantly and consistently attempted to persuade the employers' workmen to leave their service and join the union, but they say that they have used only peaceable persuasion, that they have not annoyed, harassed, or molested such workmen, although they have freely talked with them whenever they could obtain a hearing. They deny that they have ever made use of threats of any sort, and although they admit that all their efforts and the strike itself have been directed to the end and object of compelling the employers to adopt an eight-hour day, yet they have not employed any of the forbidden means complained of by the employers. The affidavits filed in support of the answer are drawn with a view to meet the various charges, and in many instances are specific and meet the issue squarely."

After this summary of the contention on both sides the court proceeded to a discussion of the law applying, saying that the rules of law governing in such matters are only the rules of reason and justice which must commend themselves to all unprejudiced persons who value their freedom. The court then indulged in extended hypothetical reasoning which summed up the issues involved in the case. But the court observed that "all these considerations are of no consequence in determining what the law is, and should be, in a case like the one supposed. There is something more important than fair wages, and that is the right to work for any wages the workman will accept.

Continuing, the court said: "There is something more important than an eight-hour day, and that is a free day. Any enhancement of wages, any lessening of the hours of labor, any improvement in the conditions of employment, would be too dearly bought by the surrender of the smallest fraction of individual liberty under the law. Workmen themselves are the last men in the world who should willingly suffer the loss of such a right. That is about all they have gained, or that has been gained for them, in the long struggle for rights which has been going on since the beginning of organized society. Individual men, even great classes of men, may lose sight of its importance for a time in their desire to secure some coveted advantage; but the law does not lose sight of it, and so long as the ancient landmarks of our jurisprudence are observed these rights will be safe.

"The real difficulty in the present case," the court continued, "has been for the court to satisfy itself by the mere reading of affidavits exactly what has occurred. Such of the parties as have shown themselves in court have presented a very favorable appearance. It is difficult to believe that such men have deliberately intended to transgress the law. So far as they may have done so, they must have been carried away by zeal for their cause, and probably without fully appreciating the meaning and effect of their acts. But in deciding what probably did occur we are to remember that the union and its members were carrying on what seem to them a sort of warfare to secure better conditions for themselves and to their fellow craftsmen. Being out of employment themselves many of the defendants devoted their whole time to winning the strike. It was a matter of intense personal interest to them."

As to the threats alleged to have been made by the defendants, the court said:

"The court is inclined to believe that on some occasions there were covert suggestions of personal injury as being likely to result to those who continued to oppose the purpose of the union; but however this may be, it has little doubt that workmen in the employ of the complainants, who were bound by contract to serve them for stated periods, have been induced by the defendants to break their contracts and leave the service, and that many others who would have entered the service, or were already employed and would have continued in the employment, have been withdrawn from the service of the complainants by acts of the defendants, which have amounted to coercion under the rules above stated."

"No better definition of freedom has ever been given than this: that one man's liberty ends where another man's liberty begins. Union men would think themselves unjustly treated if they should be importuned and besought, picketed, followed about the streets and made objects of ridicule and contempt because they refused to leave the union, or because they refused to continue in the service of an employer they did not care to serve. They should be willing, and the law requires them, to treat their fellow-laborers as they would insist upon being treated under the same circumstances. It makes no difference how large may be the majority of those who believe that their interests are best protected inside the union, nor how few and deluded are those who take the opposite view. It makes no difference how great an obstacle to the laudable purposes of the union a few misled or disloyal associates may be. It is a question of individual right. Those who wish to surrender a part of their individual freedom of action for the sake of the larger benefits that may be gained through union have an unquestioned right to do so. The law recognizes their right and gives standing to the union itself, but the right of those who choose to remain outside is just as sacred and inviolable in the eyes of the law.

After a careful and deliberate examination of the testimony the court finds itself possessed by an abiding conviction that the case is one which calls for its aid, and that the defendants ought to be enjoined, pending the suit, from interfering with the complainants conduct of their business by attempting to persuade their employes, who are under contract, to quit their service, or by attempting to coerce their other employes into leaving their service, or attempting to coerce others from engaging in their service.

"The bill also prays for an injunction against the use of the boycott. Some expressions in articles issuing from the defendant union during the early stage of the controversy hinted of interruptions and delays that would attend the performance of work by the complainants for their customers, and upon that ground recommended such customers to employ only union shops. But the later emanations from the union seem to have kept carefully within the bonds of the law, and it is considered unnecessary at this time to issue any injunction against a boycott. If the occasion for such an injunction should arise it can be moved for hereafter."

A writ of injunction, an unusual procedure in this jurisdiction, it is said, was issued Monday in the case of Byron S. Adams and other members of the Typothetæ of Washington against Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101. In order, it was suggested, that no mistake might be made as to the persons upon whom the injunctive power of the court was laid, the United States marshal was directed to serve this writ individually upon the parties named.

The form of the writ is as follows:

"The President of the United States to Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, a voluntary association, John R. Berg, individually and as president thereof; William R. Love, individually and as vice-president thereof; George G. Seibold, individually and as secretary thereof; James E. Bright, individually and as treasurer thereof; Charles C. Thompson, Joseph C. Whyte and Harry B. Goodrell, individually and as members of the board of trustees thereof; Thomas C. Parsons, Frank A. Kidd, Robert W. Burnside, Frank B. Crown, George Beirach, Harry Rowe, Frank Thornburg, Charles Rose, jr., Dale C. Sheriff and P. C. Hilton, individually and as members of said Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, and to all other persons acting under their authority:

"The complainants having given the undertaking as required by the order passed herein the 30th day of March, A. D. 1906, you are hereby restrained, and we strictly enjoin and command you to desist and refrain from interfering with any of the complainants in the conduct of their business for the purpose of preventing them from conducting the same in their own lawful way, or of compelling any of them to yield to the demands of the defendants touching the manner in which such business shall be conducted.

"By attempting to induce any of their employes who are under contract to remain in their service to break such contracts and leave said service, or

"By attempting to coerce any of their actual employes into leaving their service, or any of their intending employes not to enter their service, by the use of personal violence or any threat of the same, by the use of opprobrious epithets applied to such employes, by following such employes about the streets against their will and request, by persistently surrounding and importuning and entreating such employes against their will and request, by meeting and intercepting such employes on their way to and from work for the purpose of doing any of the things above forbidden, by harassing, annoying, or molesting such employes, by any other means of the same general nature as those above forbidden, during the pendency of this proceeding or until the further order of the court.

"Hereof fail not under penalty of what the law directs."

We Are Proud of Him.

The St. Paul Typographical Union is endeavoring to make the West Publishing Co., one of the largest law publishing houses in the country, see the error of its way in employing nonunion labor. The fight goes bravely on, and the West Publishing Co. is hearing from some of its former customers. We append a communication from a prominent lawyer of Salem, Mo., to its appeal to wait until it can catch up on its work:

SALEM MO., *March 23, 1906.*

Messrs. West Publishing Co., St. Paul, Minn.:

GENTLEMEN:—My attention has been attracted to your statement of your difficulties with the St. Paul Typographical Union, and I am pained to note your position, which is the usual one of misconstruction and misinterpretation of the objects of the Typographical Union.

I observe that you refer to your former admirable service, the credit for which is undoubtedly in some measure due to the good work of members of the Union, and I regard it not impertinent to say to you that when you have had the same time in experience with "rats" and "scabs" you will not be proud of the comparison between the two periods.

I have in my office, hanging alongside my certificate of admission to practice law in the Supreme Court of the United States, an honorable withdrawal card from Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, which is sufficient to say that from henceforth whatever patronage I may have or can influence in your line must go to fairer houses, and that when my present subcription to your Reporter advance sheet expires I shall be unable to renew the same.

Yours very truly,
J. D. GUSTIN.

Public Meeting.

A public meeting will be held on Tuesday evening next at Typographical Temple, at 8 o'clock, under the auspices of the Central Labor Union, at which prominent speakers will discuss the advocacy of the child labor law, compulsory education, regulation of employment agencies, and other measures now before Congress of interest to organized labor.

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The Young Man's Plaint.

Oh, tender-eyed darling,
Now why are you snarling
The soft skeins of love with your worrisome frown?
From heights of displeasure,
My dear one, my treasure,
To the lowland of love come, in pity come down.

Alas! but your frowning
Has wrought the uncrowning
Of the joy that was throned in my heart for a day.
Let the darkness of scorning
Be lost in life's morning;
Softly voice once again love's "Forever and aye."

Could I but rise to you
From depths whence I view you,
My dear one, my darling, your tenderness sure
Would keep and uphold me
Though fate should enfold me
In its uttermost shadows, still strong to endure.

Ah, you sit there so sweetly
I cannot completely
Forego the mad nonsense of playing love's fool.
Can it be they speak truly
Who say I learn duly
That love is a passion which manhood can school?

—WILL SUMMERSMITH.

Typothetæ Get Decision.

Last Friday Judge STAFFORD handed down the decision in the application of the Typothetæ for a temporary injunction against the Eight-Hour Committee of Columbia Typographical Union and the officers of the Union.

The decision came as a disagreeable surprise to the members of the Union, who felt that the Typothetæ had not made out its case. It was believed that as the principal complaint that violence had been resorted to was not made out that the application for injunction would be dismissed.

Following the lines laid down by other judges the court proceeds to tell the committee and the members of the Union what line of conduct they should pursue in the contest for securing the eight-hour day. To one unfamiliar with the procedure of the law it appears that the learned judge took the liberty to go beyond the question involved and assume that an element of danger existed in the plan of campaign carried on by the strikers.

To sum up the whole proceeding it only bears out the history of all prior cases of its kind that a judge can not be in a position to pass on a case in which the evidence is submitted by affidavits on each side. The side that produces the strongest affidavits, no matter how secured, in that event stands the best chance of securing the decision.

Columbia Typographical Union has not forfeited the respect of the community in this case, nor will the decision have the least effect in its fight for the right to secure for all its members the eight-hour day. It has always been fair in its contention, and throughout the present contest it has conducted a strike that has been classed as one of the most orderly ever known in this city.

The question has passed to a greater court than the one in which it was tried—the bar of public opinion—and when Columbia Typographical Union forfeits the good will and respect of that great court it will be ready to accept "open shop" conditions and all that it implies, but as citizens, residents and property owners, and having the future of the city at heart its members feel that the presence of contract-made strike breakers in our midst but more fully testifies to the general worth of its membership when contrasted with the material imported from the riff-raff of other cities to aid in breaking its organization.

God speed the eight-hour day.

THE REFERENDUM.

The French workingmen use the referendum within their organization as do the Americans.

Some days ago the French Miners' Congress submitted to a vote of its members out on strike the question of accepting the offer of the operators.

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In South Dakota the optional referendum and direct initiative system are in operation and have been for six years. Only the more important measures, or unusual ones, are ordered to a referendum vote. A recent dispatch from Pierre states that a referendum petition has been filed for a vote on the question of encouraging the building of a fine opera house by granting a ten years' exemption from taxation.

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It appears from the New Jersey newspapers that the platform adopted by the liberal democrats at their State conference March 20 includes the initiative and the referendum. This important feature of the platform was omitted from the telegraphic report. The initiative and referendum establish the people's sovereignty. The final legislative power is in the people. This supreme legislative authority in the people quickly terminates private monopoly and the other evils of machine rule.

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At Denver, Colo., an initiative ordinance for cutting down the fares charged by street railway companies is being circulated. If adopted by the voters, as it is pretty sure to be, it will be another illustration of the result of terminating machine rule.

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In Ohio some days ago the Senate passed a resolution submitting to the people of the State the question of adopting a constitutional amendment for the initiative and referendum. The House committee is refusing to report the measure. Unless it is killed in committee it is likely to pass, for it is said that the required three-fifths were pledged last fall during the campaign. The questioning of candidates and the publishing of replies informed the voters and they did the rest. They "scratched" enough of the unfavorable candidates to create a revolution. The candidates of the Democratic party pledged themselves, while most of the Republicans refused, and the net result was a 475 per cent increase in the Democratic representation in the Senate. The increase in the House was nearly as great. The State Federation of labor took an active hand, and now the program of questioning candidates for the initiative and referendum is to be used throughout the country. The system certainly has remarkable power.

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The organized farmers of Pennsylvania are in politics—non-partisan politics, It is the established custom of the Granges to question candidates. This year a conference of representatives of all the farm organizations was held at the capital of the State and a legislative program agreed upon, after which question blanks were printed and distributed. The aim is to interrogate and publish the reply of every legislative candidate. They are questioned before their names go before the voters at the primaries or before the conventions. After nominations are made the pledges of competing candidates are to be published and the people urged to vote for measures and not men.

This is the program, too, of organized wage earners and referendum leagues.

It is evident that the party machines are getting into the breakers. They can no longer evade the live issues.

CAPI'S OGLINGS.

Not a single (or married) proofreader attended the races last week. All absentees were accounted for, either by sickness or pressing circumstances, though the "ruling passion" was strong on Sunday in many. I met my friend Jimmie Huggins out Mount Pleasant way showing off the good points of his favorite sorrel high stepper, and in the meantime drinking in ozone and hilariousness.

Our Masonic brothers will make a great mistake if the printing for their forthcoming baazar does not bear the label. A leading light in the Typothetæ is chairman of the printing committee. I should like to have a snap shot of this "boss" printer applying to the manager of an up-to-date-American-system-8-hour printing office for honest, free masonic printing. It will be a strange position to place him in; but if I do not guess wrongly, the printers' label will be on that printing.

I wish I had a "legal mind" and could understand some things. Judge Stafford's injunction decision is either too senseless or too dense for me. First he pays the printers a compliment by admitting that there is no violence, coercion, or intimidation, and also says that we are not boycotting, but nevertheless we are enjoined. Enjoined from interfering with the business of the employer, or with his employes! Enjoined from doing the exact thing the employer himself is doing, *i. e.*, trying to get our men away from us, and endeavoring to disrupt our union business. The great difference in the two positions is this: The striking printers are endeavoring, through peaceful persuasion, to give, and do give, better conditions and benefits to their fellowmen. The employer, on his part, is endeavoring to better his own condition by oppression, and don't like it one bit because the honest workman is going with the interests that do him the most good. Let me suggest to those employers who would "bust the unions" that such a thing can be accomplished, and in this way: Offer to the toiling masses better conditions than the trades unions do, and in a very short time the "menace" will fade away. Such proceedings as Judge Stafford's injunction will never destroy a trade union; they only cement the organization and make it stronger and more determined.

We live in the greatest nation of the earth, in the greatest prosperity of all time. Our influence is being felt in all nations. If you are in doubt, and would be posted, get your name on the list and read the valuable reports sent to this Government by the consuls. They are known as the "Daily Consular Reports," which is one of the most valuable publications gotten out by Uncle Sam's army of able editors. That publication is a study. It gives information on all subjects material—it is neither political nor religious. A recent issue tells of the wonderful development of Japan. Within three years the working people of Japan have bettered their condition threefold. Just think of it! Wages trebled within three years! What do war Captains of Industry think of that? But I suppose we have reached the maximum and and must halt, for our workers are still the best paid of any country. Why, I am told that the Government of the United States pay women all the way from 8 cents a day up, for eight-hours work in the Government Bindery, while in Japan one can hire a carpenter, or mason, or painter or other skilled artisan for ten and twelve hours a day for from 12 to 35 cents. With such a comparison, I don't see what our women folks in the Bindery have to complain of. They are not skilled artisans, they are only women, even though some of them do have children and homes to support. But I know our fellow-workers are not discouraged, for there is a great dearth of honest white kitchen "help" in Washington.

I see the Central Labor Union has admitted to its membership delegates from a ministerial association, but am not prepared to say that it is the proper thing to do. Are our pastors and our priests actually to mingle with and become a part of our "labor skates?" Have our spiritual advisers reached that point in human reasoning where they have discovered that trades unions are doing more for the amelioration and upbuilding of the masses of the people than the churches, and are nearer the hearts of the uplifted than the churches, and that the churches are losing their influence for good? If these questions are answered in the affirmative, I welcome our clerical delegates to a seat on the band wagon. It takes more substantial effort than broadcloth and fluent rhetoric and fervent prayer to give our toiling masses good homes, sufficient food, proper education and training to meet the affairs of life. The trades-unions have that mission, and are accomplishing that object, and if the churches have decided to take hold of a trace and help pull, why, I say, "G'lang," and we will welcome their assistance, but we expect the churches to aid us, unselfishly, and not expect the tail to wag the dog.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Second Division—Night.

A chapel meeting was held Saturday evening for election of officers. The chairman announced that he would not stand for re-election, and no one present would accept a nomination, so it was decided to select a victim who was out to lunch. The choice fell on Wm. Peacock, who was elected by acclammation; and W. H. Guthridge was also elected by acclammation to the office of secretary. Peacock shouldered the responsibility, but declares he will be avenged.

Chairman Peacock called a special meeting of the chapel at 3.30 Wednesday morning at Dobbert's cigar store. John Handiboe, as master of ceremonies, announced that a "multiplication club" had been organized at the G. P. O., and read a tabulated statement, giving the names of the following and the number of their progeny: Messrs Goshorn, 12; Montgomery, 13; Handiboe, 12, and O'Connell, 12. He stated that the former chairman, C. W. Kelly, who had announced the arrival of Slug 8, was on the eligible list, and should be elected to membership. Following these facetious remarks, John B. Jaques, in behalf of the chapel, presented the retiring chairman with a push-cart and a purse of money, as a token of good will. The hour of four having arrived, the meeting adjourned.

KASKARET.

Sixth Division.

Since the Chapel elections on Monday, a number of printers are now eligible to join the "Down and Out" club.

"Capi's" return to THE TRADES UNIONIST columns is noted with joy. He deserves a good serenade by the Marine Band.

Wm. R. Love, of the First Division, was elected father of that Chapel on Monday, after a hot campaign, which generally precedes a First Division election.

Jos. E. Goodkey has authorized me to announce that he is not a candidate this year, rumors to the contrary notwithstanding. Another item for Joe's scrap book.

The news that J. S. Ziegler, formerly of the Spess, has landed a $3,000 per year job down town is good news. Those who thought he had quit his G. P. O. sit too hastily may now stop and reflect.

Herbert Nitteraeur, machine helper on the *Record*, resigned on Monday and has returned to his home in Philadelphia. Herbert was a good helper, his experience of three years in the engine room of a battleship assisting him in his work.

A rumor went the rounds last week that an employe of the Sixth Division had gone crazy and had been removed from the shop in a hack. Gentle readers, pay no attention to such idle rumors. When they come for the crazy ones of the Sixth it will be with a moving van.

A young woman employed in another Division stuck her fingers in a pot of hot metal on a Lanston machine on Monday morning to see if it had remained warm over Sunday. Dr. Manning carefully dressed and bandaged the fingers a little later, which bore every evidence that the metal had kept real warm.

I met my good friend F. C. Roberts on Tuesday morning, and received the glad tidings that he has decided to enter the delegatorial race this spring. Mr. Roberts is busy just now traveling over the Southern States in the interest of trades unionism; but he will get into the campaign in earnest later. He looks good to me.

"In order to overcome the objections of many of the female employes in regard to riding on the same elevator with the men," etc., says the new order prohibiting the use of elevators jointly by men and women. Good! We're glad they kicked first. The men have often thought the same thing, only they were too gallant to speak of it.

Timekeeper Ed. Heidingsfeld is displaying a magnificent pocket knife which his friend, Ike Goldenberg, presented him on the latter's return from abroad. The handle is made from metal taken from the ruins of the barge used by Cleopatra upon her memorable trip up the Nile. Heidy would present it to the Smithsonian Institute only his great friendship for the dry goods man forbids.

A man in Baltimore has been arrested for manufacturing and selling a love powder to be worn around the neck and guaranteed to win the affections of the opposite sex of the wearer. The ingredients are, "Three white hairs from a black cat's tail," etc. The printers might try a few packages in the hope of winning back the "dear girls" in the G. P. O. who objected to their presence in the elevators.

It's safe to bet the kick made by some women employes against riding on the same elevators with men was not made by any of the lady compositors. These ladies work side by side with their brother printers; the joys and sorrows of office life are the same to each, and they would be the last to complain of sharing the elevator with the men whose kind acts and assistance has made it possible for them to take their place on the payroll along with the men.

The promotion last week of Neal C. Weeks, of the electrical department, to be veterinary inspector, is a deserved recognition of a worthy young man. During his employment in other capacities he has studied and eminently fitted himself for the duties now called upon to perform. He is a quiet, unassuming young fellow whose friends congratulate him upon his promotion. His brother, L. D. Weeks, is a well-known printer, and Merg operator on the *Record*.

The presentation of a bottle of champagne and a box of cigars to W. A. Roberts, on the occasion of his sixty-eighth birthday, by the chapel of the Night Bill Force last week was a gracious act, and shows the high esteem in which our veteran printers are held by those who have not passed so many of this life's mile-posts. In this connection it is interesting to note that while the President of the United States and the nation's law makers are with the aged clerk question the veteran printer pegs along and not only keeps pace, but oftimes sets the standard for his younger brother. Like a bottle of good old wine he improves with age. And I'm glad it's so, for Father Time is pushing us all alike and at the same rate into that class styled by Dr. Osler as fit subjects for the dope sponge.

Mrs. A. W. Bowen, of this city, has begun an active campaign for the office of International President of Woman's Auxiliary, her campaign committee consisting of such well-known union workers as Mrs. Bert V. Wolfe, Mrs. E. H. Thomas, Mrs. Jos. E. Goodkey, Mrs. N. McMichael, Mrs. John Berg, Mrs. A. Frank Kidd, Mrs. J. A. Huston, Mrs. James Monroe Kreiter, Mrs. Joe M. Johnson, Misses Laura Gordon, Teresa McDonald, and Anna Wilson. In presenting the name of Mrs. Bowen the members of Washington Auxiliary feel that they have the proper material back of their suggestion. Mrs. Bowen is a faithful, conscientious worker in whatever cause she may be engaged. Mrs. Bowen is experienced in the work pertaining to organizations, and should the women of the various Auxiliaries elect her to the lofty position of president they will have in the chair a woman whose interest in the organization will lead it on to greater accomplishments.

A couple of weeks ago I received a copy of Hayworth's *Aphorisms*, a little publication edited by A. D. Hayworth, and published by the publishing house of which he is proprietor. I don't care to say anything about the Aphorisms, but a word about the author and publisher may not be out of place. From the time I first knew Mr. Hayworth his career has been sort of meteoric. It was some sixteen years ago that I first met him out in Kansas. At that time he reminded me very much of the tramp in Denman Thompson's "Old Homestead," who left home in order to have his own way. He had left the city on the banks of the Wabash made famous by Paul Dressler, and I afterwards learned from the boys in Terre Haute that he had started to the telegraph office one night, and that was the last the *Express* people had seen of their "devil." While the candle lights were beaming as it were, he had bidden a fond adieu to the tall sycamores that grow on the winding Wabash's banks. Hayworth made a tour to the coast, and a couple of years later landed in Washington and went to work in the G. P. O. Later he established a small printing office downtown, which has grown until to-day his establishment is one of the best in Washington. But *Aphorisms* isn't his first venture as an author, for several years ago he published a book called "Uncle and Aunt Nancy in Washington." He piled the books up in a great pile on F street, and with the aid of a sign told everybody that for fifty cents they could buy a book and have a good laugh. Again I care not to say anything about the contents of the book. Suffice it to say the books disappeared from F street and Hayworth had money to burn.

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We can attend the races as much as we please in Baltimore; that's more than we can say of some folks out of town.

The Evening Herald went into the hands of receivers last week, but it will still be published and improved by the receivers, who are the business manager and editors.

Let the laboring classes get into politics and Washington won't have such *bright men* as Mr. Gillett, of Massachusetts, Mr. Landis, and several others to deal with in future years; perhaps in the Sixtieth Congress.

While Congress is trying to save money, why not cut out the civil-service examinations for compositors as no appointments have been made since February, 1903, and from present indications none will be made for some years.

Everybody who knows Charlie Young in this city was glad to hear of his appointment. Jim Ross also comes in for congratulations on his advancement. Now, let Johnnie Greene, Jr., get the Job Room foremanship and the job will be completed.

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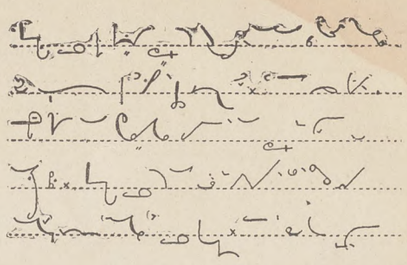

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Mr. Charles Denby, Chief Clerk of the Department of State, will tell his experience in China during the Boxer uprising at the meeting of the G. P. O. Veteran Club at Pythian Temple on Saturday evening next. Mr. Denby's twenty years' residence in China qualify him to speak "by the card" upon this subject. All male friends of the "old boys" will be welcomed and it is hoped that a good audience will greet the speaker.

"Kid" McElhannon Dead.

J. W. McElhannon, well known in this city as a Mergenthaler machine operator on the *Times* some years ago, died at Omaha, Nebr., recently. Mr. McElhannon was one of the first flight of the machine operators that came North from Southern cities after the machine became general in newspaper offices throughout the country, and he was a fast operator. He was generous to a fault and loyal to his friends at all times. He left a widow, who resides in this city.

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Unrest may be accurately measured by the distance between poverty and luxury.

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The ladies of the G. P. O. accept the recent elevator order as a recognition of women's rights.

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Judge Stafford's ruling was for what might happen rather than for what has already happened.

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A bill passed by the Maryland Legislature and signed by the Governor appropriates $90,000 for the construction of a boulevard between Hyattsville and Washington. The macadamizing will be done by convict laborers. Now, what do you think of that?

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It is apparent that the more riches a man gets the less respect he has for the assessor and tax-collector.

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These are times when to be faithful in a few things is to put yourself in line to be ruler over many things.

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Having read carefully each inning of the "Knockers" banquet report, we are free to admit that it was no good place for thin skins.

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To make money go a long way, we send it to the heathen, and to our next-door neighbor in distress we send a message of sympathy.

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The demands of the coal miners for an eight-hour day adds to the labor chorus and is an inspiration to the worker the world over.

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It would seem that suicides are on the increase by those who become discouraged while trying to keep up with the dollar-chasing procession.

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The frequent killing of a score or more miners, who accept the hazardous risk of bringing coal from the bowels of the earth, excites less interest than a society event from those who enjoy the comfort of an open-grate fireplace and are thrown into hysterics by the loss of a pet poodle.

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The Washington Typothetæ say they will die in the "last ditch" rather than grant the eight hour workday. The last ditch shibboleth is usually the precursor of the lost cause.

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According to competent authorities, this is the *Star's* year for representation in the International. The *Congressional Record* will have four contestants for that honor: Messrs Berg, Hayden, Smith, and Gunn.

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The interest manifested by the wives, mothers, and daughters of members of Typographical Union who are helping to secure the eight-hour day for book and job printers is an omen of success. It would indeed be a poor sort of encouragement to the bread winner if assistance from this source should be denied.

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The aged clerks recognize a favor from Congressman Keifer, who administered some knockout drops by a point of order which continues the lease of clerical life with salary undiminished. There will undoubtedly be some provision for retirement of faithful Government employes, but the measure will not be the result of indecent haste.

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Names of good men have been suggested and announced as suitable delegates to the Colorado Springs Convention, but of those who have rendered conspicuous service and are especially entitled to recognition none deserve more at the hands of Columbia Union No. 101, than the insistent, unfaltering, and untiring champion of everyday unionism—our friend, F. C. Roberts.

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It is noticed that the politicians begin to sit up and take notice when the President of the American Federation of Labor declares a recess for further nonsense by proposing to submit labor's claims to the consciences of people who have votes, and who will be asked to register their verdict at the ballot-box. As before remarked, the ballot is labor's most potent weapon.

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Coal famines increase the price of coal, and they also increase the number who come to dispute the right of a few individuals to monopolize that which came as a gift from Nature for the use and comfort of the many. Coal famines are necessary as object lessons, because it is first necessary to set the people to thinking. Thinking will surely put them in the way of finding a remedy.

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A bill has been introduced in the House to create a new cabinet officer, to have entire charge of all Government printing and publications. It has all along been contended that the duties of the Public Printer require abilities equal to any other head of departmental service, and this being the case the man who is big enough to fill the place should have a seat at the President's official table.

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To read pen reports of the "Knockers" banquet, one would be forced to conclude Frank Smith and his scroll constituted the entire performance. An echo of this event: When the committee in charge came to settle with the Ebbitt House management they found they were about $80 short; forthwith they had to go down in their pockets and make up the deficiency. Of such stuff are the "Knockers" made.

CYCLE.

Union Directory.

American Federation of Labor—Headquarters Typographical Temple, 423-425 G street northwest. Sam'l Gompers, President; Frank Morrison, Secretary.

INTERNATIONALS.

International Association of Machinists, Headquarters, rooms 402-407 McGill Building, 908-914 G streets northwest. James O'Connell, president; D. Douglass Wilson, vice-president and editor of the *Journal;* George Preston, Secretary-Treasurer.

Journeymen Stonecutters' Association of North America.—Headquarters, 803 Fifth street northwest. James F. McHugh, General Secretary-Treasurer.

Plate Printers of North America. International Steel and Copper. T. L. Mahan, 319 S street northeast.

LOCAL AUXILIARIES.

Allied Printing Trades Council meets last Thursday in the month at Typographical Temple. Elmer Johnson, Secretary, No. 2009 Flagler street northwest.

Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13, of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101. Mrs. Bert V. Wolfe, president, 235 Massachusetts avenue northwest; Mrs. E. H. Thomas, secretary, The Bertholdt, 128 Maryland avenue southwest. Meets at Typographical Temple third Monday in each month.

STRUCTURAL BUILDING TRADES.

Structural Building Trades Alliance of America, Washington Branch, meets every Tuesday at 8 p. m. Hall No. 3, Costello's Hall, Sixth and G streets northwest. Thos. E. Arnold, President; James S. O'Hagan, Secretary, 507 S street northwest.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 722 Sixth street northeast.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

Bricklayers, No. 1, meets second and fourth Thursdays in each month at Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. Milford Spohn, Secretary, 1238 Eighth street northwest.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Joseph Hutton, Chairman, 809 F street southwest; H. Burns Secretary, 1960 Second street northwe Wm. Cronin, 1415 Thirty-sixth street northwest; Timothy Costello, 37 K street northwest; James French, 614 K street southeast.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5, meets every Friday night at 7.30, in Hall 1, Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. George W. Nyman, Secretary, 1253 Eighth street northwest.

Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

Electrotype Molders and Finishers, No. 17, I. S. and E. U. Meets Wonn's Hall, 721 Sixth street northwest, the first Thursday of each month. H. C. Poppe, Secretary-Treasurer.

Hod Carriers and Building Laborers Union, No. 21, meets first and third Mondays in each month, Cadets Armory, 718 O street northwest. Dennis Brown, Secretary, 1212 Fourth street northwest.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, Amalgamated, No. 148, meets second and fourth Wednesdays at 922 Pennsylvania avenue n. w. Martin Hellmuth, Secretary, 609 D street southwest.

Plate Printers Union, No. 2, meets on second Sunday in each month at 2.30 p. m., at Typographical Temple, 425 G street northwest. J. Edward Beach, President; J. C. Staats, Secretary, Kensington, Md.

Steam Fitters, L. B. No. 10, N. A., meets the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. S. D. Zea, Secretary, 2108 G street northwest.

Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Union, No. 11773, meets the first Tuesday in each month at 7.30 p. m., Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. Frank F. Hartwell, Secretary, 810 Twentieth street northwest.

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, First Branch, meets every alternate Monday evening at 610 G street northwest, Building Trades Hall. President, R. R. Rhodes. Financial and Recording Secretary, Fred Hook, 1034 Sixth street northeast. Business Agent, W. F. Gilmore, 624 Sixth street northwest.

Tile Setters Helpers, Local No. 12, meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month in Room No. 3, Building Trades Halls, 624 Sixth street northwest. J. Pettis, Recording Secretary, 3409 N street northwest.

Washington Feeders and Assistants No. 42, meets the first Thursday in each month at Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Miss Josephine Mulcahy, Secretary, 29 N street northwest.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Master Mechanic Smithson, of E. G. C. Shop, is as happy as a boy with his first pair of boots over his new office. The other foremen are just as jealous as Charlie is happy. When you want a good thing and want it bad go after it. That is what our jolly foreman did. And the best part of it, he got it.

There was some excitement in the Shop the other day when it was discovered that Dr. Baldwin, private physician to Commodore Smithson, had asked permission to be absent for a half day. He has never been known to absent himself from work even for an hour for many years with the exception when Aunt Melinda died, the famous colored cook on Commodore Smithson's yacht. It was her special request that the doctor be one of her pallbearers. The boys are anxious to know the cause of his recent absence. The Doctor is keeping his own counsel. I think he went to the races.

Ducks are on the river in abundance. The sportsmen in the Yard are cleaning up their guns and getting their bones ready. Major Sylvester is getting ready, too, only it is the police in this case. The Major owns the river as far down as Alexandria, so it is reported, and has issued his orders to look out for the sporting fraternity. There is nothing like owning the earth, Richard; that is, if you can fence it in.

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President Gompers, of the Federation of Labor, I am pleased to state, has arrived at a conclusion that I have not only been advocating for several years, but have endeavored in vain to convince our labor leaders of its absolute necessity as the only means to secure legislation for the benefit of labor. Better late than never. With this object in view I am going to preach a short sermon to the

YOUNG MAN IN POLITICS.

The young man who will cast his first vote for Congressman at the coming election must regard himself as an important factor in the results. Both committees, Republican and Democrat, will be calling upon him to save the country, and urging him to join the local club in his town, and if he shows signs of indifference or independence the workers of both parties will be paying special attention to his case by endeavoring to prove that the G. P. O. or the party represented by that long-eared animal are the proper ones for his suffrage.

If he be still indifferent, he will be furnished literature showing how the Protective League is using up its best endeavors to advance his interests. Let me ask any young man under the present reign of the "trusts," has he found any opportunities to advance himself in business? There is not one in a thousand who can answer satisfactorily to himself. He finds that the concentration of business in the hands of the few, with the great majority working for them at the prices the trusts and corporations dictate, is an entirely different proposition than presented itself to the father of the present young man.

But a few years ago there was an opening for any young man of honesty and ability. Now anything more than a clerkship hardly presents itself. Older and more experienced men are now competing for the jobs that boys should be doing, and the struggle for existence with many is a severe one.

Remember, young men, this state of affairs, these conditions, have come about since the reign of the trusts commenced, and the ingenious youngsters should carefully investigate the conditions that confront him and arrive at at sensible conclusion, and vote accordingly. High prices and low wages may not affect him like the man with a family to provide for, but every young man should look forward to the time, with hope and courage, when he will shoulder the responsibility of at least one more to provide for. If the trust reign continues distance will lend enchantment to the view of a home and wife for the young man—an enchantment which will prove bitter mockery. Therefore I say it is important that his first vote should not be cast until he has carefully digested his conditions. Let him remember that while the two old parties are waging war on each other they are a unit when the cause of labor is considered. There is but one road to success. Be as independent in your politics as you are in your religion or your business affairs. Vote for the man who will advance your interests, not only before, but after election.

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The Panama Commission is drawing heavily on the Navy Yard for its skilled mechanics. I am informed that several of our best workmen have received their appointments to that summer resort and will leave in a few days.

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I received a letter recently from Captain Persing, who is now on the Isthmus. In speaking of his trip from New York to his destination nothing of interest occurred. He was much surprised, however, on his arrival, to see some three hundred coffins stacked on the wharf. While this was discouraging, it did not cool the ardor of the gallant captain, as he had faced death many times under similar conditions. He assures me that conditions are not as bad as has been represented by several persons who have only spent a short time on the Isthmus.

In speaking of Monkey Hill Cemetery he says that while it is a thickly settled community there is one consolation, the inhabitants have no special grievances—at least there are no demonstrations. He expects to take an active part in the affairs of that section, unless he is called upon to fill one of the pine boxes he saw on his arrival. The Captain comes of fighting stock, however, and no doubt will give "General Malaria" a tussle for the victory.

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What a disgusting sight to see on a pleasant afternoon, riding with liveried servants and splendid equipage, with a maid to hold the babe, while the mother carefully nurses a blear-eyed poodle-dog. This is one of woman's rights, however, and men should not deal too harshly with their privileges. I must confess, however, in such a case my sympathies are always with the dog.

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

Horse Shoers' Union Places Four Firms on Unfair List.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.15 p. m. on Monday by President Adams

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and, after a correction as to "printing 1,000 copies of the Constitution," were approved.

CREDENTIALS.

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COMMUNICATIONS.

From Samuel Gompers, president American Federation of Labor, asking for an opportunity to give an exhibition of union label views in public on a prominent street in this city, under the control of a committee in charge. Referred to Label Committee.

From Charles Dold, president International Piano, Organ, and Musical Workers' Union, stating that while F. G. Smith Piano Co. in various cities are distinct corporation, that F. G. Smith, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is the dominant factor, holding a majority of stock in all the firms named. He says the fight is still on and that reductions in wages in that factory amounted to from $1 to $3 per week. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From International Union of Slate Workers, asking for financial aid in fight in Pennsylvania, for abolition of store check payment and a nine-hour day. Referred to A. F. of L. for indorsement.

From Horseshoers Union, No. 17, asking that certain horseshoeing shops be declared unfair. Referred to Grievance Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Grievance Committee reported progress.

The special committee to visit Public Printer relative to certain mechanical work being done by laborers reported that they had communicated with the Public Printer, but had received no reply.

The Organization Committee reported that they held a meeting on Thursday evening last and had organized the bill posters. They also reported that they had been unable to find the officials of the Window Cleaners' Union. The secretary was directed to inform President Gompers as to the status of the Window Cleaners' case.

The Grievance Committee submitted a communication from President Dold, of Piano and Organ Workers' Union.

Labor Day Committee submitted a contract from the Luna Park Co., which was recommitted to the committee for further consideration.

The Grievance Committee reported favorably on the request of the Horseshoers' Union that the following firms be placed on the unfair list:

Schondau & Lynch, 1217 Ohio ave. n. w.
Bowers & Daly, Government alley n. w.
Mudd & Brown, Queen alley n. w.
Richard Collins, 7 Sumner alley n. w.

The report was concurred in.

Mrs. A. S. Gitterman was granted the privilege of the floor to explain H. R. 8472, new form, and requested the indorsement of the Central Body. The request was granted and Delegate Joseph McManus, of the Legislative Committee, was instructed to take the matter in hand and appear before the District Committee of the House of Representatives in support of the bill.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Amalgamated Carpenters, Third Branch: Delegate Gilmore called attention to nonunion work being done at Glen Echo Park, and requested that the Contract Committee wait on the manager of that resort and request him to sign a Central Labor Union contract.

Bottlers: Stated that they had been locked out in all but three of the bottling houses in the city. A question was asked if the contract had been presented, and if it named the Central Labor Union as a party to the contract. The delegate stated that the International Union of Brewery Workmen forbid them making contracts with the Central Labor Union a party to the contract.

A motion was made that the Central Labor Union extend its moral support to the Bottlers' Union.

An amendment was offered that the support of the Central Body be withheld until such time as the Bottlers' contract was submitted to this body.

The amendment was lost, and the original motion adopted.

Delegate E. L. Adams called attention to the small number of labor men in the lobbies of Congress, and on motion of Delegate Adams the secretary was directed to communicate with the Central Bodies requesting that they send representation here to remain until Congress adjourns.

Engineers' Union, No. 99, entered a protest against the action of the Central Labor Union indorsing the position of the Bottlers and their contracts.

Musicians asked if musical talent had been secured for the night of the 10th inst.

The committee stated that the Naval Gun Factory Band had been secured.

The Musicians entered a protest against that band playing on the occasion mentioned.

Retail Clerks requested that Dave Wolf be taked from the unfair list. Request granted.

The hour of eleven o'clock having arrived, the body adjourned.

Suffrage for the District.

A meeting of prominent professional and business men of this city was held at the office of Frank K. Raymond, in the Colorado Building, on Tuesday night, for the purpose of forming a District Suffrage Association.

Among those present were Dr. Robert Reyburn, who has made suffrage for the District his life work, and many professional and business men who recognize the necessity of having an opportunity to express the will of the people in making laws and choosing their representatives to execute the laws.

After a general discussion on the subject of organization, the various plans for organization were formally submitted to a committee, consisting of Messrs Reyburn, Lee and Howell, to report back at a meeting to be held next Tuesday night.

"Jack" Robinson Dead.

We clip the following item from *The Labor News*, Colorado Springs, Col.:

A. J. Robinson, of Columbia Union, No. 101, Washington, D. C., died at the Home on Tuesday, April 3, at 11 o'clock p. m. He was buried from Grace Episcopal Church, April 5, at 11.15 a, m. Rev. Mr. Brewster officiated. Interment at Evergreen cemetery. The following residents officiated as pallbearers: Messrs Woodman, McElliott, Beach and Howard.

Mr. Robinson had been a resident of the Home for nearly ten years, and by his quiet and unassuming disposition made friends of all.

Good, Quiet Work.

Two deaf mutes employed as strike breakers by the Butterick concern deserted to the union the other day. It had been the custom to feed the scabs on the premises, and only the "trusties" were allowed to leave the building unaccompanied by a detective. Believing that the deaf mutes would be immune to the blandishments of the pickets, owing to the difficulty of making them comprehend, they were allowed to come and go at will. The officers of the union put a union deaf mute on picket duty and they were so tickled at finding a New Yorker who could talk to them that he had little difficulty in persuading them to quit.—*The Unionist* (New York).

College Park.

A valuable plot of freehold land, 25 by 150 feet, situate in this suburb, can be bought for $225. It is a bargain. Car service one minute from lot.

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Oysters in every style at R. A. Driscoll's North Capitol and G street. Overholt whisky, 10c.

When purchasing from advertisers mention THE TRADES UNIONIST.

Decision for Printers.

The case of the employing printers against Richmond (Va.) Typographical Union No. 90 is ended. Two weeks ago an application was made for a rehearing of the case. An order was entered by the Supreme Court of Appeals denying the application for a rehearing and directing that the Typothetae should pay the cost of the case, including the printing of the record on the part of the printers, counsel fees, and all court costs.

Delegates Elected.

Printing Pressmen's Union, No. 1, at its regular monthly meeting last Saturday, elected Frank B. Clarkson, Wm. H. Dikeman, and C. H. Evans to represent the Union as delegates to the eighteenth annual convention of the I. P. P. and A. U. at Pittsburg, in June.

Significance is attached to the fact that the three delegates-elect are "down town" men, and that the two defeated candidates were from the G. P. O., and are strong with the membership. "There's a reason."

FEEDERS ELECT DELEGATES.

Press Feeders and Assistants Union, No. 42, I. P. P. and A. U. elected John J. Driscoll and Frank B. Carrick as delegates to the convention of the I. P. P. and A. U. in June. Both are employed "down town."

Resolutions of Respect.

Resolutions of respect on the death of R. L. Beatty, adopted by the Government Printing Office Mutual Relief Association, Saturday, March 17, 1906:

Whereas, It has pleased our Heavenly Father to call from our midst our friend, associate, and brother, R. L. Beatty, who has been actively identified with the Government Printing Office Mutual Relief Association practically since its organization and for many years a member of the Governing Committee; and

Whereas, During all of these years he was ever ministering to the afflicted members of this Association, giving kindly and wise counsel in the administration of the finances and in the meetings of the Governing Committee and the Association; therefore be it

Resolved That in his demise the Government Printing Office Relief Association has suffered the loss of a valued member, a faithful worker; that it is but a just tribute to his memory to express our great sorrow and at the same time the belief that he has come to the reward of the noble, the true and the just

Resolved, That the heartfelt sympathy of this Association be extended the bereaved family and pray that we be permitted to share with them the sorrow of their sad affliction.

Resolved further, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Government Printing Office Mutual Relief Association; that a copy be forwarded to the bereaved family, and that a copy be sent to THE TRADES UNIONIST for publication.

Columbia Typographical Union.

ARRIVALS

J. A. Gaffney, St. Louis, Mo.
O. W. Harke, Rockford, Ill.
E. T. Rigg, Baltimore, Md.
J. L. P. Diehl, New York.
Ben Jarbeau, Cambridge, Ohio.
B. F. Carll, New York.

DEPARTURES

Harry S. Heywood,	J. M. Taylor,
H. S. Ripley,	Carl M. Brosius,
Karl H. Baker,	S. W. McCoy,
J. W. DeVries,	M. E. Sloan,
W. V. Mackey,	T. J. McDonough,
W. A. Magers,	Virgil S. Gibson,
J. E. Rastall,	J. E. Myers,
J. L. Shober,	James F. Small,
C. B. Rule,	J. T. Halpin,
W. H. Mules,	E. Strohmeyer,
W. S. Strouse,	H. T. Rigg,
L. J. Collett,	J. J. Cooney,
D. M. Spence,	Theodore Willis,
Frank B. Trott,	C. B. Drake,
C. C. Conlee,	W. S. Anderson,
F. V. Shipley,	Timothy Donohue.

WITHDRAWALS

W. H. Munson.	G. W. Mullins,
D. W. Graff,	E. M. McIver,

W. T. Huber.

Mail at Typographical Temple.

The following persons have mail at Typographical Temple. A request to this office to forward same will be promptly complied with:

John M. Shaen.	M. J. Deery.
James H. Platt.	S. M. White.
G. C. McNamara.	H. A. Webb.
N. S. Dawson.	John M. Sheuy.

Columbia Council, National Union.
Howard Perry Conclave, No. 136.

W. F. O'Brien a Candidate.

W. F. O'Brien, of the Night Proof Room, G. P. O, has announced his candidacy for vice-president of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101. He looks like a winner.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

PUBLIC MEETING A SUCCESS.

The Central Labor Union Voices the Sentiment of the People.

The public meeting arranged by the Central Labor Union to meet representatives of the Public Educational Association developed a still wider scope, and addresses were made that touched upon other measures now before Congress.

The committee in charge, under Delegate Feeney, of Bookbinders Local No. 4, secured talent to entertain the meeting, both with vocal and instrumental music. Members of Musician's Union, No. 161, volunteered as an orchestra and several solos were rendered by well known vocalists of this city.

Chairman Feeney introduced as the first speaker of the evening T. V. Powderly, who dwelt on the great good to be accomplished by the enactment of child-labor laws and laws governing compulsory education. Answering the argument that the enactment of a compulsory education law was impracticable because we have not room enough now for pupils to attend, Mr. Powderly asserted that it was the duty of Congress to provide ample school facilities. He declared that labor organizations had consistently advocated child-labor law and compulsory education laws as far back as 1878. He also hoped that he would live long enough to see women given suffrage, "for they can't make a worse job of it than the men have." Speaking on the recent stand on labor matters before Congress taken by the American Federation of Labor, Mr. Powderly said that it is but right and proper "that this great organization should question the policies of men who ask for the votes of members of the Unions, and that those votes should be cast for its friends and against its enemies."

Chairman Feeney then introduced Mrs. John Milton Gitterman, who reviewed the efforts made by the Public Educational Association in securing the passage of certain laws through Congress. She referred with pleasure to the adoption of the juvenile court law and the passage by the House of the child labor law and urged her audience to do all in their power to advance the compulsory education law, the law regulating employment agencies, and the law to give seats to the store girls.

Representative W. S. Green, of Massachusetts, told in a pleasing vein his experience on the subcommittee of the District of Columbia in connection with the child labor law and the progress made in the past two weeks on questions affecting labor legislation. Mr. Green had his audience with him and made a deep impression on those present.

Representative Sulzer, of New York, spoke at length on all labor measures before Congress, and avowed his deep interest in the cause of organized labor. He inveighed against the "open shop," and in contrasting the ease with which corporations can secure legislation stated that the railroads got an increase of over $4,000,000 to carry the mails through this Congress, but the bill to pay increased salaries to letter carriers has been up year after year and has failed of passage, and that increase was but a little over a million for the army o letter carriers throughout the country. He termed the Senate the "graveyard" of legislative hope for many of the measures of the lower House. He said now was the time to go up "on the Hill" and ask for what labor wants, as recent events proved that the House is in a humor to do something for labor.

Representative William S. Bennett made a short address in which he assured his audience that his record in Congress would not be any different than his service for labor in the New York legislature, where he had aided in the passage of similar measures as those now under discussion.

Owing to the lateness of the hour President Gompers made but a few brief remarks, stating that at another time and under more favorable conditions he would be pleased to make an extended address.

Hold Your April Card.

Members of Columbia Typographical Union should be careful to retain their April cards, possession of which will entitle them to vote at the annual election of officers, which takes place Wednesday, May 16.

NOT AN OPEN SHOP MAN.

A Member of Philadelphia Union Refuses to Rat in this City.

That the local Typo[illegible] are not a[illegible] well supplied with co[illegible] men as they would have th[illegible] believe s[illegible] borne out by the fo[illegible] correspondence:

[*From Trades [illegible]on News.*]

COPY OF LETTER FROM [illegible]. W. ROBERTS CO., INC.

Washington, D. C., April 2, 1906.

Mr. T. A. Lumpkin, 2459 Tulip street Philadelphia. Dear Sir: A printer from Philadelphia has given me your name as being a compositor who has been out on strike for some months past, and who would probably consider the proposition of taking a position in an open shop in Washington. I would like to have an expression of opinion from you as to whether or not you care to consider the matter.

It seems to be a pretty well established fact that the Typographical Union has lost its fight in Philadelphia, judging from a report I saw this week signed by a union man named Harry Mulligan, and there are practically no vacancies in the Philadelphia offices for a man now out to take.

My office is an open shop, running nine hours a day, and if you care to consider the question of coming to work here, at least until the strike is settled definitely one way or the other in Philadelphia, I would be very glad to hear from you immediately.

The prevailing scale of wages in Washington is $18.00, and I can give you a position immediately at that figure and will increase it if you prove yourself to be capable of earning more, and the position will be absolutely a permanent one, if you are competent.

I may say that the Supreme Court of the District has just granted an injunction restraining the Typographical Union from interfering in any way with the open-shop employes, and you will have no difficulty of that kind to contend with should you decide to accept employment in my office. Let me hear from you immediately if this proposition interests you.

Very truly yours,
THE W. F. ROBERTS CO.

THE ANSWER.

Philadelphia, April 4, 1906.

W. F. Roberts Co., Inc., Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen: Yours of the 2nd instant received, and as you ask me to consider a proposition in regard to a situation I will endeavor to do so.

Your communication is in five paragraphs, and I will answer each.

1st. The "printer from Philadelphia" who gave you my name for the purpose for which you have addressed me is a villain. He has attempted to ruin my reputation, and therefore would not hesitate to take my life. As to my "taking a position in an open shop," I wish to say there is but one "open shop" and that is spelled with four letters: An "h," an "e," and two "ll's," and at this writing I am confident that I shall never make application for a position in that office. This is my "expression of opinion" and the way I "consider the matter."

2nd. As to the "established fact" about the loss of the strike in Philadelphia, please change the word "fact" to read "LIE" and ask John Macintyre, New York, about it. As to the signature of one Mulligan to a report which you saw, please read the following extract from the *Trades Union News* of March 29, 1806, and ask yourself who could have confidence in a firm that would accept the word of such a character.

"Emil Weitzel, whitewashed by No. 2 five years ago, over the protest of the German printers, who knew him only too well; Harry E. Mulligan, ex-convict, self-confessed adulterer and adviser of the Typothetæ; Walter J. Price, another whitewashed product from New Jersey, now under bonds; Colonel Booth-Allen-Mulhall, adventurer, private detective, and "con" man. This motley crew went forth to compile a report 'that will help and enlighten the whole situation,' and wind up with the statement 'that if you reject this report you dont want to hear the truth.' In vain does the fowler set the snare in sight of the bird.' The signers of this report admit that it did not cost them a cent for paper, typewriting, or postage."

There are at present more eight-hour day positions in this town than there are Union men to fill them.

3d. You say that your office is an "open shop," which is a very poor recommendation to me, but I thank you for your admission that the strike is not yet settled in this city, and state that I am perfectly satisfied to wait until it is settled, as I am confident that it will be in our favor. This is my "immediate" reply which you ask for.

4th. Your offer of $18 per week for nine hours per day is very cheap, and has no inducement for me to "leave my happy home." If I would change my anatomy by covering myself with fur and adding a tail to complete the form, I could go to New York and get $25 per week. As to the permanency of the position, since you have named one "Mulligan" in your letter, I lose all confidence in your promise of permanency.

5th and last paragraph. This shows the extreme weakness of your side of the case, and right here I wish to state that, having been born in the grand old State of Virginia, when it becomes necessary for me to earn my living under the protection of the police power of the American city in which I may reside, I will walk to the nearest military post and ask to be shot as a traitor to the Stars and Stripes, and with the further request that my old carcass be thrown out in the field to be food for the buzzards, and not to disgrace "Old Mother Earth" by placing my despicable body in her bosom.

You asked to hear from me "immediately" if the proposition "interested" me, and I have granted your request.

In closing, I would say that neither moral suasion, physical force, nor any offer of filthy lucre can reach my Union card.

Yours respectfully,
THOMAS A. LUMPKIN,
Member of Typographical Union, No. 2.

Election of Officers.

At the semi-annual election of officers of the Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers, and Assistants' Association, 11773 of the A. F. of L., the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: President, Joseph T. Sherier; first vice-president, F. C. Alexander; second vice-president, Mrs. M. Sliter; financial secretary, Walter Bernard; recording secretary, Frank F. Hartwell; treasurer, Louis A. Sterne; guardian, Richard Taylor; guide, Miss Fannie F. Brown

Messrs. Sherier and Frank Hartwell have held the positions of president and recording secretary ever since the organization of the above union, which is ample proof of their efficiency. L. A. Sterne has also held some office from the time of the organization's formation.

The Stenographers have now about one hundred members in good standing and are about to install a sick benefit clause in their constitution, to take effect at such date as the treasury will warrant.

All stenographers, typewriters, and assistants are cordially invited to join this organization with the purpose in view of improving the conditions of the profession. For further particulars address Recording Secretary Frank Hartwell, 810 Twentieth street northwest.

Men and Women.

Unable to secure competent "rats" to get out their publication in Cincinnati, the owners and publishers of *Men and Women* have taken the magazine to get it published by R. R. Donnelly & Sons, of Chicago, a noted union-fighting concern. They have thus again shown their unfriendliness to organized labor. Heretofore they have resorted to subterfuge when meeting the issue, but have at last thrown off the mask and boldly placed it in a union-smashing establishment in Chicago. It is just possible that the publication may not reach subscribers on time this month because of an exodus of nonunionists from R. R. Donnelly & Sons' office in Chicago. *Men and Women* is unfair to Typographical Union No. 3, and our friends do not patronize it.—*The Chronicle* (Cincinnati.)

The Hagenbeck Shows.

Heretofore the name of Carl Hagenbeck has been synonymous with all that was most wonderful in the performance of trained wild beasts. He had confined himself exclusively to the animal field. Henceforth, judging from information at hand, the Carl Hagenbeck Greater Shows must be the standard of extent and excellence by which all other amusement enterprises must be measured. It is said that when these shows are seen the foundation of this assertion of superiority and magnitude will be apparent. The Carl Hagenbeck shows have grown within the year, changing from a trained animal show to a tremendous triple-featured enterprise that is more comprehensive than any other tented amusement institution. In its greatly augmented form it now embraces a complete three-ring circus, an East Indian Perahera or Hindoo festival and Hagenbeck's original trained wild beast exhibition, with added features. In organizing for this, the first year of its greater proportions, an effort was made to build an institution of such wide scope that failure at reaching at the outset the coveted ranking position in the amusement world would be impossible. Three practically different and distinct shows have been blended into a consistent and harmonious whole. Individually, either from standpoints of extent or worthiness, they would compel attention and admiration, and presented together they make for a proposition that is irresistible.

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CAPI'S OGLINGS.

What's the matter with the rumor committee? There was one actual lull of fifteen minutes the other day, when—an inspector visited our Division and spoke to one of our men.

Gonzaga Hall was crowded to its capacity last Sunday afternoon to listen to the eloquent Burke Cockran lecture on Socialism. The talk cannot be termed a lecture. It was a sermon, with the text taken from the scripture for the day. Surely Cockran impressed his listeners with the fact that he is not a Socialist, and he learnedly and eloquently expounded many theories, especially the theory of labor's share in production. The sermon was full of pathos and logic, but I could not dodge the thought that if the profound statesman had spent some time in a pair of overalls, with the grime of toil on his calloused hands, and had practical, instead of theoretical experience, his conclusions on some points would have had a different complexion.

'Tis well, now and then, to peer in a glass giving out a reflection of one's features and person; we get acquainted with our own beauty or comeliness. It is also well, sometimes, to listen to criticism, for then we learn how others view us. In two noted documents of recent issue are pen pictures of the union printer that, to say the least, are not flattering. The petition to Congress of the New York Typothetæ against the anti-injunction bill paints the New York printer in no enviable colors, while a Washington judge, in rendering a decision, has such a low regard for the printer's intellect that he couches his language "in the language of the people, avoiding technical terms."

Oh, to see ourselves as others see us!

What strange thing is to happen? Do you know? It seems to me that there is to be a new order of things all around. I am either not up-to-date or beyond date, for I cannot get myself in justification with the trend of human affairs. Whether we will or not we seem to be like a ship on the flowing stream—we are drifted here, we are wafted yonder. A few years ago it was sacrilege for a preacher to talk labor; now men of the cloth are not only teaching and preaching economics, but they are actually affiliating with the cause. Likewise a few years ago politics was shunned by the labor organizations as a viper. Now labor is to "get there" with both feet. I can go on and enumerate many more changes. Some will call it progressive. Maybe it is, but I am pessimistic. Labor organizations are for that class of the human family that have to do with the industries of the community. The professions have no part in our objects; they cannot be in full sympathy. Has the cause of the labor unions risen to that altitude that the professions find it to their advantage to become a part of them? If the clergy is taken in the fold of organized labor, why not the lawyer? Why not any other calling—the actor, the ball player, the artist, etc.

To my mind, organized labor is digressing, or allowing itself to be led away from its initial objects—it is following strange gods!

Then as to politics. That is a serious aspect of recent development. Shall organized labor produce the future legislators? Why not? But how? Organized labor owes much to many men, and should reward those men, but can it say to those friends, "You must be a part of us?"

To draw a sudden conclusion, I shall say steer clear of the political rock that has wrecked labor before; leave politics alone, except to reward and be loyal to our friends, because they are such, and tempt not the trickery that party politics will lead to. As to the professions—well, they are "wrong fonts" in organized labor circles.

Spring time is here again and the agitation of public playgrounds is before the public. This is a subject that should have the help, moral and financial, of every workingman and woman, and every trade union. The children of the rich may be transplanted to the mountain and the seashore, but our dear little ones, perforce, must spend the sultry days on our hot streets. I am a single taxer, to a certain extent, and a municipal ownershiper to another extent, and a public playgrounder to the full extent. In Washington there is much vacant ground held for investment. Every inch should be occupied. The city authorities should confiscate for the time the use of these vacant spaces and equip them as playgrounds, and every parent and every trade union should contribute to the equipment. To start the fund and encourage the movement I move you that Columbia Union donate $100 from its strike fund towards the equipment of playgrounds for our poor children. Do I hear a second?

CAPI.

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

F. C. Chase has located a printing plant at 604 Fifth street northwest.

Publisher Hayworth is the latest addition to the ranks of automobile enthusiasts.

C. C. Conlee has resigned from the Second Division, night, G. P. O., to go upon the road; I believe, in the interest of a patent pump.

From a copy of the *Houston County News*, published a Fort Valley, Ga., I discover that the paper started by J. Russell Branham, late of the G. P. O., is on the high road to prosperity.

Every few days my friend James E. Brooke, "Philosopher Jimmie," bobs up with a new invention. This time it is a galley with a reversible head, on which to empty the Lanston product.

Col. Wm. J. Elliott continues in the field journalistic, his latest venture being a 100-page monthly, by name the *Washington Magazine*, which is profusely illustrated, with a goodly number of its pages devoted to reading matter pertaining to Washington City; a national magazine with a heavy local feature.

From a "read and pass" notice it is learned that on the evening of the 20th of April, at Alexandria, will be held an affair in which the members of the several chapels of the night force, G. P. O., and other artists typographical are invited to participate. The price of tickets, including transportation, has been fixed at $2.50.

My visit to the meeting of the feminine friends of the eight-hour movement, proved instructive. There I learned where Ed. Thomas got his brains, that Chief Moore could make something more than execrable weather, and that the Federation of Labor make a mistake when they do not keep Mr. Rodier on the road to depict sweat-shop conditions.

James Carville has compiled, for the Wisconsin State Association of this city, a valuable work, containing, in addition to the roster of the membership and portraits and biographies of State and National officials, much political and historical data concerning Wisconsin. Other Commonwealths would do well to emulate the example set by the Badger State. Dr. A. E. Cowles and Mark Barnum were associated with Mr. Carville in the preparation of the volume.

I met Joe Johnson, who proceeded to enlighten me on the spring campaign of No. 101. Mr. Parsons, he asserts, will be a candidate for president. Messrs Jenkins and Brockwell, he continues, are in the mentioned column, either of whom would be a hard man to defeat. As to delegates, he names "the lady," Miss McDonald; Mr. Feeney and two aspirants from the *Star* chapel—Messrs Whyte and Maher—from the down-town section. In the big printery, I may interpolate just here, cards are out announcing the candidacy of Roberts and Gove. Frank Smith and George Hayden have declared themselves, with Templar, Nachman and Gunn to hear from. Should my advice be sought in the premises, I would suggest that these gentlemen at once enter upon a rehearsal of the door-bell act.

The recent banquet of the Knights of Momus, that coterie of congenials habitat of the night section of the big printery, wiil linger long in the memory of all participants. For over five hours worship was had at the shrine of Satire, and yet so fast and furious fell the fun that no individual, even with the most delicate cuticle, could take offense thereat. Mr. Whitehead, the toastmaster, was a headliner among the roasters, yet the efforts of Messrs. Doyle, Kidd, Babcock, and Rodier each deserve a paragraph. Congressman Murphy of Missouri started a "show-me" story on its rounds. Mr. Ricketts was so overcome by the advance notice of the toastmaster and the reception he received that he was unable to express his thoughts. I have contended, in this column and elsewhere, that a man's best asset is his vocabulary—to be familiar with the use of a sufficient number of words as to be enabled to place, on the second, the right word in the right place. No better proof of this oft-repeated assertion on my part is needed than to state that the first word that sprang to Mr. Stillings' lips as he rose to his feet on this occasion was "comrades"—the full significance of which met with immediate response on the part of his audience.

H. S. SUTTON.

Interesting Correspondence.

The straits the Typothetæ employers are placed in to get competent men is shown in the following, taken from the *Quincy Labor News*:

TYPOTHETAE METHODS IN TIMES OF STRIKE.

QUINCY, ILL., March 31, 1906.

——— ———,
Chicago.

Dear Sir: I had hoped to see you at Grand Lodge to have a business talk with you. Sorry you were not there. You have probably heard that we are running an open shop, as we could not meet some of the foolish demands of the union. When we went on to the open shop I told all the prints that it meant that we would pay wages equal to the union, or better, and unless it was necessary, we would take on no non-union men. They all quit, and I offered ——— ——— a contract for life at $20 if he would stay. He wanted to, but was afraid. He regrets it now. We need a good stone man and what I want you to do is to get me one. I would like you to take it and the foremanship if you will, and am ready to pay you what you are worth and make a contract as long as you want. Let me know if you can come, or if you can get a man for it.

Yours,
——— ———,
Secretary.

CHICAGO, ILL, March 26, 1906.

——— ———,
Sec'y-Treas., ———

Dear Sir: Yours of the 21st at hand and contents noted. It is pleasure for me to attend the I. O. M. A. Grand Lodge sessions, but owing to the position I took with the *Dry Goods Reporter*. a weekly, the first of the year, I full well knew that I would not be able to attend. So that instead of expending $25 or $30 that week I earned $31.84. The lowest amount weekly I have earned from January 1st, 1906, up to last Saturday night, has been $22.63, and the highest $37.62. Your offer of $20 and a contract could and does not appeal to me from a financial standpoint to say nothing of casting my lot with a lot of non-union rats, which in itself I hope I will never become so low to do. I took the Union obligation in Quincy, in August, 1880, got a Union card and so far have kept it unblemished. Should my desire have been to work in an open shop I could get that here at almost double the amount you offer, with a contract thrown in. No not for me! I therefore consider your offer to me nothing short of an insult, as I believe you are aware that I have been an officer in the Quincy Union, No. 59, as financial secretary, and was elected a member of the Executive Committee of Chicago Typographical Union, No. 16, last year, which I consider an honor. What a nice scheme and fine bai for a sucker?

Hoping this will answer your request in detail, I am, yours in M. A.,
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Misleading Statement.

Press dispatches have been sent broadcast over the country stating that the Crowell Publishing Company, publishers of *Woman's Home Companion* and *Farm and Fireside*, of Springfield, Ohio, had granted the eight-hour day to their employes, thereby creating the impression that this firm had unionized their plant.

The Crowell Company will give the eight-hour day to the imported scabs and strike-breakers in their factory, beginning April 9, 1906, and have issued a statement to the effect that they are still opposed to organized labor and will continue to issue their magazines with imported nonunion labor.

The assistance rendered Typographical Union by members of organized labor is the cause of the Crowell Company granting the eight-hour day to their cheap, scab labor and we request each reader of this article to give us a little assistance by calling their friends attention to the hostile attitude of the Crowell Publishing Company, and by using your influence and discrimination against *Womaa's Home Companion* and *Farm and Fireside*.

Was a Union Printer.

Like a number of other great Americans the late Governor Hogg of Texas was a master of the printing craft. The statement that he worked at the case while holding the office of governor, which may sound strange to many of his friends, served to illustrate one of his noted characteristics—that of the enterprise with which he was identified. For some years before the Childs-Drexel Home for Union Printers was established at Colorado Springs, Colo., it was a custom among all union printers to work for one hour out of every year for the Home.

The Home was named for George W. Childs and Anthony J. Drexel, who were the heaviest contributors to its endowment. In accordance with an understanding, printers west of the Mississippi would work an hour for the home on Drexel's birthday each year. Those east of the Mississippi observed the anniversary of Childs in the same way.

While Mr. Hogg was holding the office of attorney general, and later that of governor of Texas, he always made it a rule to observe Drexel's birthday by going to the office of the Austin *Statesman* and setting 1,000 ems, having the amount measured for the benefit of the Home.—*Labor Herald* (Kansas City).

MIDNIGHT OR MORNING.

In the eyes of each mortal there ever is gleaming
A far-away look, as of some subtle meaning;
A groping, blind instinct to learn of the portals,
Where the parting of ways betoken to mortals
That life's measure is taken of gladness and sorrow—
Shall the brilliance of sun's rays illumine on the morrow
Or the silence of death reign, as the sun sinks its arrows
Of brilliant-hued pennants in the mouth of the narrows,
Where death's silent river, which steady onflowing
Bears outward the star-drift, like many lights glowing;
Shall there be, as of seeds, a likening reaping
Or, as the rose falls to earth, its soul ever sleeping—
Its beauty and fragrance consigned to the slumber,
Of dark, silent night, and days without number?

This is what shadows the eyes of each passer
Who strives for the solvence of secrets to master,
In the gaze of the other, but never obtaining,
The why and the wherefore of life's steady waning
Of whether the sun's rays shall shine on the morrow,
Or the silence of death end life's mirth and sorrow.

—O. W. HUMPHREY.

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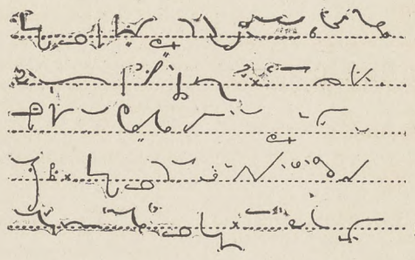

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Sixth Division.

Louis Lippincott, of this Division, has a new boy at his house.

Jacob Persinger, a veteran member of the First Division, has gone to Ohio, to be by the bedside of a sick sister.

For the past four weeks, A. P. Beatty, of the First Division, has been confined to his home on account of illness.

"Billy" O'Brien, of the Proof Room, has announced his intention of making the race for Vice-President of Columbia Union.

Thos. Waterman, assistant to make-up Tom Haworth, of the First Division, has been called to the home of his parents, in Kentucky, on account of the death of his father.

The amendment to the Constitution changing the number of delegates from four to two, comes up next Sunday, at Columbia meeting. Don't stay away and then kick on the way the amendment is disposed of.

Three members of the Y force on the sixth floor are at present laid up on account of illness. They are "Judge" Underwood, Chas. Danenhower, and George Robinson. "Judge" Underwood and Charlie Danenhower are G. P. O. veterans of the thirty-third degree.

Miss Laura Gordon, of the *Gazette*, has announced her candidacy for the office of Delegate from the Woman's Auxiliary to the Colorado Springs Convention. Miss Gordon is a hustler, both in Typographical and Auxiliary circles, and about the least that can be done in this instance is to predict her election in advance.

From James Monroe Kreiter's notes in *Typographical Journal*, I learn that John T. Herbert, who represented Columbia Union at Cincinnati, will again enter the race for Colorado Springs. Mr. Herbert put up a good race in the Cincinnati campaign; likewise his attempt to grasp the presidency of Columbia Union a year later, but—well, he probably knows best.

The Columbia Credit Co. is offering to give five per cent of its cash business to the strike fund. In other words, if you are going to pay cash for goods, get an order from them instead, which is just the same as cash at most any business house in town. In some instances the merchant allows a very small per cent for business secured in that manner, but the company will pay five per cent to the strike fund regardless of the per cent received by it.

A bulletin has been posted announcing that a genuine banquet—the real thing—will be held by Washington printers, in Alexandria (Va.), on or about Sunday, April 29. For $2.50, the bulletin says, not only will you get a feed that is a feed, but free transportation thrown in. However, until it is made perfectly clear whether the free transportation means ferry boat or patrol wagon, here's one that is going to stay on this side of the Potomac.

On next Sunday will occur the regular stated meeting of the Columbia Union. Looking back over the history of No. 101, I very much doubt if a time can be found when as little enthusiasm preceded a nomination Sunday as the present. So far not one of Columbia's large membership has announced his candidacy for the office of President. The whole business is a query, and the only conclusion to reach is that somebody has something up his sleeve for next Sunday. Watch and see if it is'nt so.

I heard that my good-natured friend, candidate Frank Smith, was among those who were assessed the small sum of $20 to make up an indebtedness caused by a misunderstanding over the recent Knockers banquet. This alone is not sufficient reason to elect him a delegate to Colorado Springs, but that he took his medicine without a murmur shows that he is game to the core. It was the same way with him last year when he missed a trip to Toronto by one or two votes. He takes all that is coming his way without a kick; and who is it that does'nt like that sort of a man.

The announcement in last weeks' *Trades Unionist* that Mr. John R. Berg had decided to enter the delegatorial race came not in the nature of a surprise to his friends. It is a long established custom in the Columbia Union for the retiring president to wind up his active participation in union affairs by representing his union at an International convention. It is an opportunity given to the membership to endorse the past administration of the retiring president, and to refuse to go before the membership at this time for endorsement would be taken as self-admission of poor administration. His past administration speaks for itself. It should insure his election.

Although neither a member nor a heavy contributor to the support of the Ninth Street Christian Church, for one, I feel just a little proud of it and its pastor, Rev. E. B. Bagby, as well as the stand taken by its officers in regard to the label on all the church printing. Not content with the mere patronizing of a union printing office, every article of printing even to the little contribution envelopes, bear the imprint of the Allied Trades Council. Union printers have been a great factor in the upbuilding of this church, and to find its members and its pastor, now standing by those who in times past have stood by it, is really an innovation in church circles worthy of special notice.

As long as there is such a scarcity of candidates for the local union offices, I am tempted to take a throw at one who is asking support for the position of trustee of the Union Printers Home. From Boston comes the presentation of the name of Herbert W. Cooke for that position. In seeking the position Mr. Cooke makes the point that he is the only Eastern man who will be in the race for the trusteeship. To most readers of the *Typographical Journal* he is known as a forceful writer, whose letters are among the brightest found in a journal where brilliancy reigns supreme from cover to cover. Mr. Cooke ought to be elected, and Washington printers are urged to give him a lift.

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Valentine Ruff, of the *Gazette*, is not a union politician; neither does he claim to be. But he will join the noonday sessions occasionally. "I'm not against the women running for office," said Val one day, "only I don't see why two of 'em from down town want to run."

"There is'nt two," said the grand chorus.

"What's the matter with Miss Teresa McDonald and Miss Bela Feeney?" said Val.

Now what do you think of that?

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The other morning a party noticed A. B. Ballinger, in charge of the correcting alleys of the First Division, coming down North Capital street at a lively gait.

"What's the matter, Bal," said the party; "anybody sick up at the house?"

"Oh, no," said Bal. "I'm on the make-up. Only got five minutes to get to the shop."

A few minutes later Mr. Ballinger rushed up to the side entrance and tried to enter.

"Too early," said the watchman.

Then Bal took another look at his watch; and there it was one minute to seven.

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Good morning. Did you read Mr. Post's ad in the papers. Mr. Post is suffering from the effects of gripe nuts.

The following was taken from the desk of my best friend, Mr. A. F. Bloomer, and handed me for publication. It's a touching little literary gem, and will undoubtedly appeal to many. But the point is, I don't wish any one to think I stole it:

All you printers in this town,
What you gwine to do when the Dr. comes 'roun?
When you get off some day,
The races for to play,
An' he calls roun' and finds you gone, what will you say?
You know, I know, he knows too;
It's that "next morning headache" that is ailing you:
All you printers in this town,
What you gwine to do when the Dr. comes 'roun?

CHAS. S. GUNN.

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DOWN-TOWN, BY THE WAY.

Howdy? Have you injuncted yet?

Conditions are normal at strike headquarters.

The campaign for delegate, so far, has been oh so quiet.

The injunction does not seem to have much effect on the r-t market.

Two of the teapot firms consolidated last week. Misery loves company.

J. L. Shober, who has been working on the *Post*, has gone to New York.

Be sure you are right and then go ahead and have your postal card trimmed.

Walter Bromley, once of Washington, now on the *World* in New York, was a visitor at strike headquarters last week.

Next Sunday is the day we'll hear: "Mr. President: It affords me great pleasure to place in nomination one, who, etc., etc."

Doug. King, formerly of this city, but who has been visiting in the West and other places of note, has returned to Washington, and received a warm greeting from many friends.

'Tis said that every creature possesses enough brains to tan its own hide, but I opine it would hardly do for the originator of the $25 reward scheme to try it. He surely would run shy of tanning material.

John Heydler, machine man at Sudwarth's, has gone to New York, to act as secretary for the National Baseball League for the season. George Bierach, striker, will hold down one of his machines during his absence.

Miss Laura B. Gordon, the organizer of the Ladies Auxiliary, and one of its presidents, has announced herself as a candidate for delegate from that body to the Colorado Springs convention. Here's luck to the lady, and I am sorry I can't vote for her.

D. Mac Spence, a well-known and first-class printer, has left the city for Easton, Md., his home. Mac came here in 1893, and for six years worked in the G. P. O., and also in the Census Office. For the past few years he has worked at Judd's. All of his friends wish him luck in his new undertaking. He is to take charge of the Easton *Gazette* paper and job room.

One of the things that happens in "Just Every Day Life" occurred near the office of Roberts, Inc., on Fifteenth street, recently, and has its amusing side. Mr. Harris, one of our gentlemanly eight-hour exponents, chanced to meet a friend whom he had not seen for some time in front of the Shop, Inc., aforesaid, and greeted him in a most happy manner. After a moment's chat, the two started down street with arms locked, and the foreman of the aforesaid harbor of rodents emerged from the doorway of that institution about this time, spied Mr. Harris and his friend, and thinking to do something to seem laudable in the eyes of Roberts, Inc., rushed at them, pushing them apart. Of course, this startled the friends, and Mr. Harris' fist, in his excitement, made connection with the rodent foreman's jaw, and thereat he did make an outcry for the police. A quiet-looking gentleman who was standing by, and who had seen the whole performance, at the cry of police, stepped up to the representative of the rattery, saying as he did so that he had better keep quiet, and that he would do a little police work himself. He ordered the foreman into the office, saying that the bump he received on the jaw was due him as he was the aggressor. The foreman obeyed. Harris and his friend passed on down the street. The bystander who did the police was named Sylvester—and he is Major of our finest.

SAM DE NEDREY.

SPRING.

Old Winter is going away,
How icy and cold he's been,
For a pretty young maid he met in his track
And she curt'sied and smiled till he turned his back,
For she frightens him off with a wonderful 'nack.
This maiden is just in her teens.

This pretty young maid, whose name is Spring,
Is full of her mirth and glee;
She causes the birds to stretch forth their wings,
And the leaves to put out under which they sing,
And opens the buds, the flowers to bring.
A sweet little girl is she.

Young Spring is a frolicsome girl, I wot,
So full of fun is she,
She tears all the clothes from old Winter's back,
And causes the streamlet's prison to crack,
And dries up the Maiden's slippery track.
So playful a girl is she.

Young Spring, you know, has a pretty face,
And not very shy is she,
For she cracks her jokes in old Winter's face,
And kisses his cheeks as she flies apace,
While she melts the tear from his sturdy face,
A saucy young lass is she.

This Maid brings the latest fashion along,
A proud little girl is she.
She passes among an admiring throng,
And touches the loviest notes of song.
Gay as she is she's never thought wrong,
For she's clothed in Nature's array.

This Spring is a coquetting girl, I fear,
And her lovers are many I see,
She kisses their cheeks, and dries up their tears,
And makes an end of their chilling fears,
While they pour in their love to her listening ears,
But engaged to be married is she.

Young Spring intends when Old Winter's far
Young Summer's bride to be.
Was there ever a prettier pair?
For he is so rich, and she is so fair,
And a joyous wedding they'll prepare,
And there's an invitation to me.

—O. T. BEAUMONT.

G. P. O. JINGLES.

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Men in creation, though, like all human kind
They are far from angelic in form, feature, or mind;
Still, if a Boone you would seek, no matter your age,
The road you'll find easy that Leeds to the cage;
And, though an-ice-Berg-er two may get you down pat,
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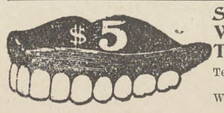

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The April *Arena* is especially attractive to friends of the Single-Tax, as it contains a very interesting and lucid paper on the Single-Tax by Mr. John Z. White, and also a full-page half-tone portrait of Mr. White. An extended editorial considers the admirable letter recently addressed by Mayor Johnson to the Cleveland clergymen in response to their criticism of him. In this editorial Mr. Flower makes an appeal to the clergymen of America to act on the Mayor's suggestions and engage in an earnest crusade for the bettering of social conditions. In view of the crusade inaugurated by certain Cleveland clergymen against Mayor Johnson, after he had addressed the letter to them, the editor of *The Arena* addressed communications to Hon. Frederic C. Howe, Rev. H. R. Cooley and Prof. Edward Bemis, propounding questions relating to social conditions and other points at issue. The answers from these three distinguished gentlemen also appear in this issue of *The Arena*. The book-study of the month is an extended review of "The Menace of Privilege," by Henry George, Jr. Among other features of this number is one of the most striking, forceful and informing papers on the insurance situation as it exists today that has appeared in print. It is written by the well-known New York journalist, Harry A. Bullock. Other articles of interest are: "College Co-operative Stores in America," by Ira Cross; "Regulation of Railroad Rates," by Prof. Frank Parsons; "America in the Philippines," by Helen M. Gougar; and "Judge Lindsey, A Typical Builder of a Nobler State" (with portrait of Judge Lindsey), by B. O. Flower; "Main Currents of thought in the Nineteenth Century," by Prof. Robert T. Kerlin, A. M.; W. A. Rogers: The Cartoonist of Civic Integrity" (with portrait and eleven illustrations); "The Color-Line in New Jersey," by Linton Satterthwait; and "Divorce and Remarriage," by Henry H. Harris. It is a strong number.

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To SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

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Monday, April 16. Harry C. Oberholzer, "Picturesque Lake George."

Monday, April 23. Mitchell Carroll, "The Acropolis."

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Tuesday, April 17. William R. Turner, "Chateaux of France."

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Secretary Bonaparte and Vice-President Fairbanks were visitors in the Yard this week. Possibly they were looking for siege guns during the coming Congressional election.

If one will take the trouble to look up statistics he may discover that in the last few years flour has advanced more than 100 per cent, and that the increase in the price of prunes has been less than .68 per cent. Heads of families, who live on prunes, and boarding-house keepers will no doubt appreciate this.

The Navy Yard bowling team of the Departmental League will give a grand ball at the National Rifles' Armory April 25. The team has made a creditable showing this season. In the eighty-one games played they won fifty-five and lost twenty-six, with a percentage of .679. While they did not win the championship they made it very interesting for all competitors, especially the Interiors, who beat them by two twenty-one games.

According to press reports Brother Stillings, of the G. P. O., will soon inaugurate a new innovation—reading rooms for men, tea rooms for the ladies, where they can brew their tea, discuss fashions, small talk, etc.; billiard and pool rooms, and such other incidentals as will provide for the comfort of his four thousand daily guests. If permitted to suggest a few additional features let us have a roof garden, where the lovesick swains and their best girls might enjoy themselves during summer evenings. Soft drinks, such as Manhattan cocktails, gin fizz, and other temperance drinks, might be allowed. As a further inducement to prevent absence from work, a miniature race track might be constructed for the benefit of the racing fraternity, while for the pugilistic element, Jeffries, Corbett, and others might be engaged to, not only lecture on the manly art, but give occasionally a few stunts in the real thing. Progressive euchre and an occasional poker game I am sure would be very inviting to some of my old friends. Stillings is a trump.

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If the protective tariff increases wages so much as the Protective League would have us believe how is it that wages in free trade England are so much higher than in protected France and Germany, and why are wages lower in the Southern States than in the Northern States, and why are wages higher in the Western States than in the Eastern States? There is no protection wall between the States to protect labor or anything else. Will some one explain this phenomena?

If the workingman will carefully scrutinize his dinner pail he will find that it is not full. If he will look close he may discover that it is but partly filled, and with many who are unemployed it is empty. The Dingley law has shut out the products of foreign cheap labor, but did not include foreign cheap labor itself. That part is absolutely necessary for the trusts to be used as strike breakers. The whole truth in a nutshell about the tariff is that it protects the trusts at the cost of the many millions of consumers, and has been of no benefit whatever to the wage-earners of this country.

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JUDGE NOT WRONGLY.

The sin of hypocrisy pervades every station of life. We find it obtains, more or less, in every department. In many instances, we find men of immoral character assuming a pious exemplary life. In this age of the world there is too much light and intelligence abroad for such bold dissimulation to pass undetected and unrebuked. How often we see on our street corners men proclaiming temperance who within the next hour may be seen entering a saloon, not to advance their temperance views, but to obtain that which they call accursed. How often we find in churches men who affect the character of a saint, but when the lid is lifted, when a quiet investigation is made, the halo is transformed into a libertine. For such men one who tries to be honest has but contempt.

As a rule, and living close to that principle, I am against the saloon. I believe it is a curse when liquor is not properly used, and beneficial under certain conditions. While the business of liquor selling is not a laudable profession, it must be recognized as a lawful one. Therefore, those who are engaged in that business, when properly conducted within the law, should not receive the condemnation that is often passed upon them.

As a rule the men who are engaged in the sale of liquor are of all men the most charitable. Who will deny this I am reminded of this fact by an incident that recently came under my personal observation. It was only a few evenings ago when the secretary of the Bartenders' League (Jere F. McCarthy) at a meeting of the Central Labor Union arose and said:

Mr. President, I am instructed by my Local to tender, through this body, to the striking printers and the locked-out plumbers, the sum of one hundred dollars each, to assist them in their fight for better living conditions.

Was this not real charity? Was this not real trades unionism? There was no incentive in the hearts of these men except to do good.

The Bartenders have set an example worthy of imitation not only by other local organizations but by all who are interested in the principles of The Carpenter of Nazareth when he said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Therefore, I say, if you are honest with yourself, if your honest with your conscience, reach out the glad hand to your brother, no matter what may be his occupation. Many times our professions are not from choice but forced upon us by necessity. We can be the counsellor with better grace than a tyrant. But never let a trades union, whose success individually or as a collective body, assume a tyrannical position toward another organization, whose profession, as I before stated, is possibly not one of choice but of necessity. Let us all remember:

It is excellent
To have a giant's strength, but it is tyrannous
To use it like a giant.
Could great men thunder
As Jove himself does, Jove would ne'er be quiet,
For every pelting petty official
Would use his heaven for thunder; nothing but thunder,
Merciful heaven!
Thou rather, with thy sharp and sulphurous bolt
Split'st the unwedgable and knarled oak,
Than the soft myrtle! But man, proud man;
Drest in a little brief authority,
Most ignorant of what he's most assured—
His glassy essence—like an hungry ape
Plays such fantastic tricks before high heaven
As to make the angels weep, who, with our spleens,
Would all themselves laugh mortal.

Let us remember that thousands of men breathe, move, and live—pass off the stage of life, and are heard of no more. Why? They do not a particle of good in the world. The public acts of their lives are stained by their private transactions. None were ever blessed by them. None could point to them as the instrument that, by their influence, made the sun shine into their existence.

Trade unionists, will you live and die without shedding around you that love for your fellowman that was taught by the lowly Nazarene. Live for something. Do good and leave behind you a monument of virtue, that neither the criticisms of your enemies nor the storms of time can destroy. Write your name in kindness, love, charity, and mercy on the hearts of your fellowmen who come in contact with you. Do this and you will never be forgotten. Your name and deeds, no matter what may be your profession, will be as legible on the hearts you leave behind as the stars on the brow of evening. Remember that good deeds and charitable acts will shine as the stars of heaven.

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THIS IS NOT SARCASM.

There's one thing a woman seldom lets get by her without at least a look, and that's a mirror. It doesn't make any difference whether she is homely or otherwise, she looks in just the same. But a man; well, he can pass a mirror every five minutes, and there isn't one chance in ten that he'll gaze into it. At least, if he does, he usually looks half surprised to find himself there, as if he didn't quite know who he was. And that's the beauty about some men—they honestly don't know themselves at all; haven't any more idea what they look like than a wooden Indian has. If such a man has his picture taken, and you tell him it looks like him, he'll say, "Does it," kind of surprised, "maybe it does." He is always interesting, too, this man, because he isn't conceited. It means that he is too busy thinking about things of importance to the world than his possibilities as a lady killer. An honestly good-looking man, who doesn't know anything about it, is four times as attractive as one whose handsomer features are blurred with "I know it." It is an awful shock to give a man a compliment and then find out he was of the same opinion long before you spoke, especially if you didn't mean it anyway. Reader, did it ever occur to you?

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Dayton Typographical Union, No. 57, asks that all users of printed matter furnished by the National Cash Register Co. request the union label be printed on the supplies furnished. They ask that the matter be presented to the Central Labor Union for action, and that a committee be appointed to visit users of cash registers made by said firm and ask the storekeeper to order his supplies printed with the label.

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Suffrage in District of Columbia Advocated in Resolutions.

"THE LATEST NEWS" INDORSED

Legislative Delegate Elected—Addresses Made by Advocates of District Suffrage—Armat Motion Picture Co. Declared Unfair to Organized Labor.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday by President Adams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Bakers' Drivers No. 33: T. F. Collins, J. E. Dulin, and Carl Hering, vice Hogan, Amerein, and Scheuch.

Electrotype Molders and Finishers No. 17: E. A. White.

A bill for $10 for services of Delegate McManus on Legislative Committee was read and ordered paid.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE.

The Grievance Committee reported on grievance of Painters' Union against the Armat Motion Picture Co., and recommended that the request of the Painters be granted and the Armat Picture Co. be placed on "List We Do Not Patronize." Recommendation was concurred in.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Samuel Gompers, president of American Federation of Labor, inclosing copy of "Labor's Grievances." Referred to Legislative Delegate De Nedrey.

From A. S. Gitterman, of Public Education Association, expressing gratitude at outcome of recent meeting held under auspices of the Central Labor Union and the Public Education Association, and asking for further assistance on free lecture work legislation in District bill. Referred to Legislative Delegate DeNedrey.

From Metal Polishers' Union, No. 1, Detroit, Mich, calling attention to condition of Ideal Manufacturing Co., an open shop in Detroit, Mich., makers of ranges, heaters, furnaces, etc. Referred to Label Committee.

RESOLUTIONS.

The following resolution was presented by Delegate DeNedrey, which was adopted:

Whereas certain matters are now pending in Congress wherein organized labor has vital interest; and

Whereas it is being urged by the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor that all prestige obtainable in an honorable way should be brought to bear upon our national legislators to induce them to favorably consider such matters of interest to labor; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Central Labor Union at once appoint one from its membership whose duty it shall be to serve this body and watch over such legislation and report at each meeting of the Central Labor Union during the session of the present Congress.

Resolved, That a reasonable sum of money shall be allowed said representative as compensation for services rendered during said time.

The chair announced nominations in order for Legislative Delegate.

The following nominations were made:

DeNedrey, of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101.

Barrett, of Plumbers, No. 5.

Sprague, of Printing Pressmen, No. 1.

McManus, of Bookbinders, No. 4.

Spohn, of Bricklayers, No. 1.

Delegates Barrett and Sprague declined nominations.

A ballot being taken, resulted: De Nedrey, 37; McManus, 16; Roche, 36; Spohn, 12.

No candidate having received a majority over all a second ballot was ordered.

Delegate Spohn, being the lowest candidate, was dropped, and at his own request Delegate McManus withdrew.

The second ballot resulted: De Nedrey, 66; Roche, 32.

Delegate De Nedrey was declared elected.

A resolution indorsing suffrage in the District of Columbia was adopted. It reads as follows:

Whereas the people of the District of Columbia were in 1874, after three-quarters of a century of home rule deprived of the right of local self-government and an unrepublican, undemocratic, and therefore un-American, form of government under which the great mass of the people have neither voice nor influence forced upon them without their consent; and

Whereas the present form of government in the capital of the Republic—the political heart of the nation—is contrary to the fundamental principles of American liberty, to establish which our revolutionary forefathers pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor, and waged a successful seven years' war; and

Whereas the ballot, if intelligently used, is the people's most effective weapon, deprived of which they are powerless to peaceably redress their grievances; and

Whereas the President of the Board of Commissioners has truthfully said that "in form, the present government of the District of Columbia is an absolute autocracy, not legally reponsible to the people;" therefore

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Central Labor Union of the District of Columbia that Congress should re-establish in the national capital a government republican in form, and in harmony with the spirit and institutions of our country—"a government of the people, by the people, and for the people," with suffrage, limited only by a reasonable educational test, and a secret ballot.

Resolved, That the President of the United States is respectfully but very earnestly requested to recommend to Congress the re-establishment of self-government in the District of Columbia.

Resolved, That a committee of nine be appointed to urge upon the President and upon Congress compliance with the requests contained in these resolutions.

The resolution was indorsed and the following committee to represent the Central Body was appointed: De-Nedrey, Spohn, McKenna, Winslow, Colpoys, Pfau, Gilmore, Allison and Bishop.

Hon. T. V. Powderly, E. W. Oyster, and E. J. Roche, addressed the Union on adoption of the resolutions.

Delegate Beaumont introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

Whereas there is now pending in Congress a bill known as H. R. 18083, introduced by Representative Green, of Massachusetts, to require mercantile establishments in the District of Columbia to provide seats for their female employes; and

Whereas we believe such a measure to be conducive to the welfare and general good health of such employes; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Central Labor Union of the District of Columbia approve and endorse said bill and request its friends in Congress to lend their support in furthering such legislation.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Amalgamated Carpenters, Branch 1: Requested information on how to place Glen Echo on unfair list. The chair ruled that it must come in regular form.

Bottlers: Reported that they were still out in eleven shops in this city.

Engineers, No. 77: Presented a resolution relative to officials of Western Federation of Miners who are now in prison in Idaho. Made special order for 9 p. m. next meeting.

Plumbers: Delegate Barrett reported that they were still locked out, and in this connection presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Whereas the tridaily publication, known as *The Latest News*, has always been and is now extremely friendly and fair to organized labor of the District of Columbia, and is always willing to give publicity to our wants; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Central Labor Union of the District of Columbia hereby heartily appreciates the stand *The Latest News*, has taken in labor's cause, and commend it to the friends of organized labor for their hearty support.

Retail Clerks: Delegate Manning asked that our Legislative Delegate use his efforts to have Sunday closing bill reported from District Committee of House of Representatives. Agreed to.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Special committee to wait on Public Printer Stillings relative to alleged charge that a laborer was doing skilled work as a bricklayer, reported a general denial to the charge and that the Public Printer had stated that he always used skilled labor and always favored its use in mechanical branches.

Adjourned.

After Shaving, Kenealy's Bay Rum, the finest; pints, 50c. Drug Store, North Capitol and Eye.

Hold Your April Card.

Members of Columbia Typographical Union should be careful to retain their April cards, possession of which will entitle them to vote at the annual election of officers, which takes place Wednesday, May 16.

COLUMBIA UNION MEETING

Officers For Ensuing Year and Delegates to I. T. U. Nominated.

THE MEETING WELL ATTENDED

Newspaper Scale Goes to Arbitration—Hatley Proposition Defeated—Col. E. F. Ruffin Readmitted—Nominations Bring Out Number of Orators.

The regular monthly meeting of Columbia Typographical Union was called to order at 2.30 p. m. on Sunday, President Berg in the chair.

In the absence of Mr. Stoops, the president appointed S. H. Willey as doorkeeper.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.

The Membership Committee made the following report:

Recommend favorably application of Lewis H. Jackson for reinstatement.

Recommend that Donald C. McNeill be transferred from apprentice to active membership.

Recommend granting six months' further time to Garry Walters to complete apprenticeship.

Recommend N. H. Brewton favorably for full membership.

Recommend favorably request of J. B. Sappington to extend apprenticeship for six months.

Ask further time on application of T. D. Casey for full membership and Mason G. Rodgers for full membership.

On application of Emmet F. Ruffin, referred to committee at last meeting, we recommend his readmission to membership.

The report was adopted, but an objection being made to admission of Mr. Ruffin the ballot was spread and he was duly elected.

On motion, the limit of time in debate at this meeting was fixed at five minutes.

Candidates in waiting were obligated.

Bills amounting to $45 were read and ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From President Lynch, granting jurisdiction over Hyattsville, Md. Filed.

From Secretary Bramwood, submitting correspondence with Allied Printing Trades Council regarding jurisdiction over Hyattsville, Md. Filed.

From Chas. Deacon, superintendent of Union Printers' Home, announcing death of A. J. Robinson. Filed.

From W. R. Hearst, thanking the Union for adoption of resolutions commending his course in eight-hour contest. Filed.

From the *Progressive Printer*, asking assistance in its attitude regarding the label and eight-hour stand taken by that publication. Referred to Eight-Hour Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Laws Committee reported back without recommendation the amendment providing for two delegates to I. T. U. Convention.

Mr. Hatley then moved that the question be submitted to a referendum chapel vote, to be placed on the ballot and voted on at the time of election.

Mr. Heisley submitted a substitute that the mileage be reduced from five to three cents a mile.

A motion to lay amendment on the table was lost—yeas, 65; nays, 88.

The amendment was then voted down—yeas, 98; nays, 78.

At this point before proceeding to vote on the amendment of Mr. Hatley a point of order was raised on the ground that as the law had not been adopted by a referendum vote it was not susceptible of amendment in that way.

The chair ruled that the point of order was well taken.

An appeal being taken from the decision of the chair, the chair was sustained—ayes, 108; nays, 61.

The Hatley amendment was then voted on and lost.

It being reported that Dave Wolf had been removed from the unfair list of the Central Labor Union, on motion similar action was taken by the Union.

The Business Committee reported on an appeal from the Law Reporter chapel relative to practice of the office "culling copy" on "*The American Federationist*, of standing pages of their monthly report, which is covered by section 13, which reads that an office "cannot cull the fat portions of any work," and that "all tables or other matter inserted in new articles, although altered from time to time, to be regarded as new matter and charged as such." The chapel contended that as the American Federation of Labor paid for it as new matter the chapel is entitled to measure it. The committee's report sustained the chapel.

The Union concurred in report of committee.

Mr. Hall, from the Allied Printing Trades Council, called attention to a request which had been made to have the label appear on the printing for the proposed fair to be given by a prominent fraternal organization. On request of several members of the Union who are members of the organization the matter was left in the hands of those members.

The Grievance Committee presented a report relative to visits made to two firms down town on behalf of Retail Clerks Union. Placed on file.

NEWSPAPER SCALE.

The Newspaper Scale Committee presented its report, and on motion the Union ratified the action of the committee and directed the secretary to notify President Lynch of its action.

On motion the committee were directed to select six names for presentation to the Board of Arbitration to select the third arbitrator.

Mr. Parsons, from the Eight-Hour Committee, reported conditions of the strike at the present time.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT.

The president reported two deaths since last meeting—A. J. Robinson and Chas. W. Kelly.

The president also laid before the Union a suggested change relative to taking the vote by chapels.

On motion, the detail was left to the officers of the Union.

NOMINATIONS.

The president declared nominations in order for officers for the ensuing year, and resulted as follows:

President—T. C. Parsons.
Vice-President—W. F. O'Brien.
Secretary—George G. Seibold.
Treasurer—Jas. E. Bright.
Sergeant-at-Arms—Eugene Conner.
Doorkeeper—N. C. Stoops.
Trustee—C. C. Thompson.
Auditors: J. W. Carter, C. W. Radley, Louis C. Vogt.

DELEGATES TO I. T. U. CONVENTION.

Offices Under the Government: John R. Berg, C. H. Gove, Geo. H. Hayden, H. J. Redfield, C. W. Pafflow, F. C. Roberts, Frank D. Smith. *Alternates:* H. C. Town, George S. Fletcher, J. H. Babcock.

Offices Not Under the Government: Bela S. Feeney, J. T. Herbert, Teresa McDonald, M. J. Maher, Joseph C. Whyte. *Alternate*—J. C. Macksey.

Secretary Seibold gave notice of an amendment providing for the creation of an executive committee composed of the executive officers of the Union and the chairmen of the various standing committees.

Adjourned.

Free Lecture Course.

Harry C. Oberholser, scientist in the Biological Survey, Agriculture Department, gave a splendid lecture in the hall of the Public Library, in the Course of Free Lectures to the People, Monday evening, to a large and enthusiastic audience. Mr. Oberholser took for his subject "Picturesque Lake George." The lecturer spoke of old Fort William Henry and told of the fierce struggles for its possession. He showed the audience the beautiful mountains about lake, the Sacrificial Stone of the Mohicans, an ideal summer retreat; the beauties of the "Hundred Islands;" took them over to Sabbath Day Point, where they met one of the native inhabitants; told them the story of Roger's Slide, and showed them the ruins of old Fort Ticonderoga and the picturesque shores of the lake, the the woodland path, our national flower, and lovely Lake George by moonlight.

Mitchell Carroll will lecture at this center on April 23, when he will take for his subject "The Acropolis."

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INJUNCTION REFUSED.

A New Orleans (La.) Judge Decides Picketing is Legal.

In an able and well written opinion Judge King, of the Civil District Court of New Orleans, La., refused an injunction sought by the Master Plumbers Association of that city against Locals No. 60 and 457, of United Association of Journeymen Plumbers and Gas Fitters.

The decision is a sweeping one, and lays down the principle of law that unless prohibited by statute it is not unlawful for workmen on strike to endeavor to get men to leave struck jobs. It is an opinion that should go far to curb the tendency of the present day judges who grant injunctions without statutory law to guide them.

The decision is a lengthy one, and we regret that lack of space will not permit us to give it in full, but we quote some of the main parts of the decision:

Shortly after January 1st, 1906, plaintiffs were notified, by the officers of said unions, that after said date the members of the union employed by plaintiffs would no longer work under the wage agreement and rules up to that time in effect, and the unions demanded new working rules and a new and higher scale of wages should be agreed upon. That said new scale and demands were inflated and extortionate, contrary to public policy. That one of the conditions, before union men should continue to work, was that no apprentices should be appointed. That plaintiffs refused to comply with these demands; thereupon a strike was ordered, and the union men in their employ abandoned their work, and went out on a strike.

The plaintiffs aver that there are many workmen they could employ to fill the places of those who have left them, upon paying reasonable wages. That the said unions and the officers and members thereof, with the malicious intention of injuring petitioners, have conspired to prevent the employment of such laborers, and to entice away from their employment laborers who have hired themselves to plaintiffs for definite terms, and who have secured advances of money in consideration thereof, and to induce such laborers to repudiate and abandon their said contracts.

That among other unlawful means resorted to by said unions to effect their purposes, a picket line was drawn about plaintiffs' stores, No. 213 Baronne street and 820 Common street, that is to say, men were detailed from said unions, stationed around said premises, and who, in obedience to the orders of their officers, accosted every workman endeavoring to enter or leave the same, and by threats, intimidation and persuasion, endeavored to prevent any one from entering said building or into the employ of said plaintiffs, or to leave the same, if already employed. That the pickets were also stationed at the railroad stations.

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The issue presented in this case at this time arises upon the face of the petition. It is whether a preliminary injunction should at once issue as prayed for in advance of a trial on the merits. In determining this issue, all the allegations in the petition must be taken as true. This rule, however, includes only such allegations as contain statements of facts as distinguished from statements of conclusions of fact, or of general allegations of law.

It is apparent that the purposes of this suit are to restrain workingmen, who, acting under orders from their unions, have left plaintiffs employ, and are on a strike, from influencing the plaintiffs' employes to leave their service by force, threats or intimidation, from preventing persons from destroying plaintiffs' property; from doing these acts under direction of the officers of their unions, their right to organize in unions being questioned.

It can not be disputed that, if the petition discloses facts showing the use of force, threats or intimidation by defendants towards plaintiffs' employes for the purpose stated, or any illegal act by which plaintiffs' property has been, or is about to be injured or destroyed, an injunction to restrain them from so doing ought at once to issue. For protection to person and property is guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Louisiana, and it is the duty of the court to enforce these guarantees.

Every person has a right to require that he be protected in his property rights. The labor and skill of the workman or professional man, be he of high or low degree, the plant of a manufacturer, the equipment of a farmer, the investments of commerce, are all in equal sense property. If men, by overt acts of violence, destroy either, they are guilty of crime.

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But, as before stated, the fact showing the force, threats and intimidation must appear, to entitle plaintiff to the preliminary injunction, not conclusions drawn from facts, nor bald allegations that force, threats and violence were so used.

From the beginning of civilized life there has been a long conflict between the effort of every man to get the most he can for his labor and a considerable number of his fellow men having capital to get his services for the least possible sum. The right of capitalists to combine, to form companies and corporations, was early recognized, authorized and protected by law.

The right of workingmen to combine with a view to getting as much as they can for their labor, just as capitalists may combine with a view of getting the highest possible return for their money, for a long series of years was denied. Under the common law, combinations of two or more workmen to obtain higher wages were held to be illegal. Every act they did was illegal, and they were liable to indictment.

The repeal of the combination laws in England, in 1895, was the first recognition of the right of workingmen to combine for the purpose of raising and maintaining wages. Soon after the right was conceded by several of the States of the Union, and eventually by the Federal government. Now, combinations of workmen, under the names of Trades Unions, are placed on the same plane, on an equality with organized capital. The acts now committed by Trades Unions, as to their legality or illegality, are to be judged by the same law as the acts committed by organized capital.

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The principle underlying the recent decisions and legislation is what one workingman has the right, the liberty, to do, to obtain a higher rate of wages, many workingmen can do when combined together in a union. What one workingman could do without committing a crime did not become a crime because many did it. Many acts a workingman has the right to do, individually and collectively, in themselves are perfectly legal, yet the way in which they are done makes them clearly illegal and criminal, either under the general law or by statute.

On sound legal principles and from the best considered of the many conflicting decisions by the highest authority in this country and England the law was that workingmen can contract through their unions with their employers under a scale of wages, and other conditions mutually satisfactory, for a specified time. That at the expiration of the contract they can demand other conditions which they deem to their advantage to be embodied in a new contract. If the employer does not consider it to his advantage to accept the terms of the proposed contract, and declines to do so, the union can order its members to quit work, to "strike" until their demands are complied with. The injury, the damage, caused the employer by the men refusing to work, and the loss suffered by the workingmen in not receiving their full wages while living in idleness, has nothing to do with the right to strike.

Among the acts resorted to, is that of picketing. Picketing consists of workmen on strike surrounding and guarding the places of labor and the approaches to them, in order that no workmen should be able to take up their work without passing them, being observed and reported, and if possible, persuaded or induced to abandon their purpose. As long as the members of the picket confine themselves to persuasive language and arguments, to induce others not to take the places they have vacated, the establishment of the picket and the acts of the men are legal. If, however, the picket is composed of large bodies of rough and angry workingmen, through whom workmen desiring to fill their places must pass, or if the picket is composed of a few workmen who resort to insults, threats or other intimidating language tending to place a reasonably brave man in fear of bodily harm, or when they resort to actual physical violence to enforce their arguments, both the establishment of the pickets and the acts of the members are illegal. They can be held responsible for the damages sustained and restrained from causing further damage.

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In the present case, the number of men comprising the picket is not averred, nor is it averred that the men composing the picket used physical force.

It is also for the court to determine, after evidence, not for the plaintiffs from inference and conclusion, whether the language used was such as to place the men threatened in fear of bodily harm. To do so, it should be shown by evidence to whom, by whom, and when and where the language was used.

Another act resorted to is the following of those who seek to take their places on the streets to their homes, with constant arguments and entreaties to abandon their purpose. The act itself is legal. If, however, the act is accompanied, as is charged by the plaintiffs in this case, with abuse, curses and threats of bodily harm if they do not abandon plaintiff's employment, it becomes illegal. It can be so declared by the court after hearing evidence, not assumed as a fact before.

In England and in some States of the Union the rights of employers and employed with reference to strikes, boycotts, pickets, and other similar movements, have not in general been left to be worked out by the courts from common or civil law principles, but statutes from time to time have been passed, defining what may or may not be permitted. All these statutes condemn the resort to force and intimidation, and most of the cases reported are indictments for some act prohibited by statute.

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The issues raised in this case are new in this State, and the court in deciding them, has resorted to general legal principles, the writings of authorities on labor questions, and the decisions of our own and the courts of other States.

In support hereof the court cites the following decisions: 28 Lawyers' Reports Annotated, p. 464; 167 Massachusetts Reports, 92; 158 United States Reports, 564; 98 Supreme Court Rep., N. Y., p. 489; 30 La. A. R., 788; 106 La. 272, and cases therein cited.

The exception of no cause of action is referred to the merits.

The preliminary injunction prayed for on the face of the papers is refused. The rights of plaintiffs to a final injunction is reserved until this case is heard on its merits.

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CAPI'S OGLINGS.

Who can guess the delegation for Colorado Springs? They are off; but as this is not a political column I will make no prognostications. The best, of course, will go.

What with "Tim Tickle's" catchy rhymes and "Pard" Bloomer's witticisms on the editorial page, the ranks of organized labor is well represented on the brain staff of our city's morning paper.

The striking plumbers were in their element last Saturday at National Park, which they visited in a body, and made themselves conspicuous by displaying a sign declaring what manner of men they are. Apparently it will take more than "one strike" to dampen their ardor or defeat them.

At 5 o'clock on Good Friday, Capt. G. W. Manning, of the Proof Room, "celebrated" by indulging in reminiscence. At that hour forty-three years ago he suffered the amputation of a leg. At the same time a yankee soldier who had been captured by the Captain's forces underwent a like operation under the knife of the same surgeon. Captain Manning takes great satisfaction in reciting the incident, which, he says, proves that humanity suffers under no flag. Fellow love for the brave and honest knows no flag.

John J. Foster, of Waco, Texas, passed through Washington on Sunday, and counted himself fortunate to find Columbia Union in session, thus giving him an opportunity to greet many old-time friends. About twelve years ago Mr. Foster came to the G. P. O. and was assigned to the Proof Room. He immediately took up the study of law. At the change of administration he was entering upon a post-graduate course. He was dismissed, but appealed to Public Printer Palmer, stating that if allowed to remain in his position until the end of his school year he would resign. Mr. Foster was as good as his word, and upon winning his sheepskin resigned and established himself in Waco. His success has been most flattering. He has been successful in every way, regaining shattered health, building up a splendid practice, and, as he told me, everything is coming his way, even to a troop of little ones to brighten his days. Seven years ago he left Washington with little else than a wife and two babies; now he owns his own home, and shares his own prosperity with his better half and seven young Fosters.

Here is an object lesson for some of our "stand pat" graduates.

The great winning fight of the printers is demanding not only the respect of the financial world, but is setting an example for even greater interests, and the little joker is the demand for the union label. The boycott seems to be distasteful, and is effective only in spots, but the demand for the union label is the lasting good, and is being felt in all interests. The following clipping, from an agricultural source, is of more than passing interest. If the farmers find it to their interest to affiliate with labor organizations and respect our label, do you suppose other producing interests are blind?

The following good words for the printers is from an agricultural publication, and speak for themselves:

FARMERS JOINING UNIONS.

Did you ever stop to think, for instance, what it would mean to milk producers of the East to become members of labor unions? The great consumers of milk in New York and adjoining cities are union men. If the unions should place a boycott upon milk not bearing the union brand, how much would be sold? But very little. Ninety per cent of the milk sold is bought by laborers, machinists, artisans and members of unions that are organized and flourishing in cities, despite the combined efforts of the employing classes. Workingmen, mechanics and skilled laborers are the consuming classes. Their power is no longer guess work nor problematical.

Ask any large dealer in milk who are the greatest and best paying consumers, and he will quickly tell you the homes and resorts of the working classes and organized labor. Take, for instance, the great Borden concern, which sends more wagons where workingmen and mechanics reside than to the fashionable resorts. They are more numerous and pay in advance, while the wealthy are away from the city more than half the year, and when at home are not the largest consumers. Take the eating houses, saloons, hotels and restaurants which cater to the working interests, and they consume twice as much milk as is sold to the resorts of the wealthy classes.

Instance one big organization in the city of New York alone, Typographical Union, No. 6. It has a membership of about 7,000. Of the 300 job offices in the city, all but twenty-six are controlled by the union. It has been in existence more than fifty years and never lost a strike. Its members, like those of all other unions, are well paid. "Big Six," as it is called, is one of the most powerful labor organizations in the world. It expends $100,000 a year in charities, and pays its men $15 a week when not working. All other trades have equally strong unions. They get good wages and live well. They spend money and are big milk buyers and mostly live in cities.

Stand firm, and push the label.

Yours truly,

CAPI.

Citizens Want Suffrage.

At a meeting held Tuesday night in the office of Frank K. Raymond, Colorado Building, of citizens of the District of Columbia advocating suffrage, Jesse B. Wilson presided, with Sidney J. Howell acting as secretary. A committee consisting of Dr. Robert Reyburn, Edward J. Roche, Samuel De Nedrey, John F. Costello, C. A. Pfau, John B. Colpoys, and Josiah Mallard was appointed to present a bill to Congress which had been unanimously agreed upon, and the committee will visit the Capitol and confer with Members and Senators, looking for consideration of the measure at the present session.

It was also decided to hold a mass meeting on April 25 at Metzerott Hall, to which all citizens of the District favoring a comprehensive plan for a municipal form of government for the District of Columbia similar to other cities will be invited.

A committee consisting of Edward J. Roche, William A. Hickey, and J B. McLaughlan was appointed to invite public speakers to address this meeting.

A delegation of the Central Labor Union favoring a municipal form of government by the voice of the people attended. They were C. A. Pfau, Samuel De Nedrey, John B. Colpoys, Jacob G. Bishop, and Milford Spohn. Among others who attended were F. K. Raymond, Jesse B. Wilson, James B. McLaughlan, Horace W. Talley, John F. Costello, H. W. Gorham, Edward S. Sinclair, Leonard J. Matthews, E. B. Stocking, Dr. T. E. Lee, S. J. Howell, Dr. Robert Reyburn, and E. J. Roche.

LATER.

The committee appointed to draft a bill for presentation to Congress reported later that Hon. J. Warren Keifer, of Ohio, would introduce the bill in the House of Representatives.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

Personal Mention.

F. C. Roberts, of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, has returned from North Carolina, where he has been for several weeks in a special capacity for the American Federation of Labor.

George P. Nichols, of Baltimore, was in the city this week in the interest of I. T. U. ex-delegate section of Colorado Springs, Colo., convention souvenir book. He reports a very successful trip.

Knights of Pythias Fair.

The fair and bazaar of the Knights of Pythias, which opened at Pythian Temple Monday evening to continue two weeks, has many trades unionists working for the success of the enterprise. The various crafts are well represented in this fraternity, and all Grand Lodge printing bears the union label by order of that body, and the printing for the fair also has the union label. In the list of officers and committees of the Pythian Fair are many well-known craftsmen. Among them are Thomas A. Bynum, of the Proof Division, G. P. O., director-general of the fair, and James W. Carter, copy editor in the Specification Division, assistant director-general.

Vice-President Fairbanks opened the fair Monday evening and made an address. Grand Master E. W. Bradford, of the Odd Fellows, escorted by Washington Canton, No. 1, Patriarchs' Militant, Capt. D. W. Chisholm, commanding, was present with a large delegation, and the grand master spoke on fraternity.

In announcing the program of opening and introducing the Vice-President, the director-general spoke as follows:

Ladies and Gentlemen, and Fraternal Friends:—

On behalf of the committee of the Knights of Pythias Fair, I bid you a sincere and fraternal welcome. For many months the Order has been preparing for this enterprise, aided by the various ladies' auxiliaries; and to-night it is a beautiful scene which confronts us. The fair is now ready to be opened. The program of the opening is as follows: Running up of the stars and stripes, together with the Pythian emblem. This will be done by Past Supreme Chancellor Edward Dunn, one of the pioneers of the Order. Following that the entire audience is requested to sing "America." Then our distinguished guest, Vice-President Fairbanks, will be introduced for an address on "Citizenship and Fraternity."

I now take pleasure in introducing to you Brother Edward Dunn, past supreme chancellor of the Order, who will unfurl the stars and stripes and the colors of the Pythian order.

After the flag ceremony, Director-General Bynum said:

Friends:—We have with us to-night one who will address you, whom it is not necessary to introduce to an American audience. It is sufficient to say that he is a personal friend of our esteemed supreme chancellor, Charles E. Shiveley. Our guest comes from Indiana, which State he represented with great honor in the United States Senate. He is now occupying a higher official station in this American Republic, and, while we do not know what the future has in store for him, he may be called to still higher honors. His public service has been distinguished in every way, and he comes to us to-night in full sympathy and accord with our fraternity. I now take pleasure in presenting to you Charles W. Fairbanks, Vice-President of the United States.

The Vice-President addressed the assemblage in part as follows:

Mr. Chairman, Members of the Order of Knights of Pythias, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I thank you for your cordial greeting, and for this opportunity to aid, in some little measure, in framing the worthy object which calls us together. It is not my purpose to make an extended or formal address. Speech upon this occasion would delay you from promoting the good work which we have pledged ourselves to advance. These attractive booths about us indicate that you want a speech—not such a speech, however, as I can utter. You want a speech which will permit the consummation of this great work you have undertaken here. We have been taught that money talks, and I take it that you want to hear money talk to-night rather than myself.

The order of the Knights of Pythias is one of the great beneficent institutions of our country. It was founded at a fortunate period of our national history. It was organized about the close of the great civil conflict, when hate filled the hearts of our people and there was unkindness and bitter feeling in large sections of our country. It was most fortuate indeed, that an organization such as this should have brought into being, an organization founded upon that blessed trinity—Friendship, Charity, and Benevolence. It is young in years, it is but a little over two decades old, yet it has accomplished much. It has grown from small beginnings, until now there are over 700,000 who give to it their loyal allegiance from one end of the Republic to the other. It is yet in its infancy. It is founded upon those principles as enduring as civil society or the Republic itself. As long as this great organization is true to the principles which brought it into being, and which animate it to-day, it will expand in power and glory, and exert great influence for good in the limits of the United States.

A little while ago the banner of this fraternity was unfurled upon the stage side by side with the greatest banner in this world—the stars and stripes. (Applause.) I am glad to see that evidence of loyalty to the flag of the Republic. An institution which is true to the principles of the Republic, and which has its birth in the noblest purposes which can animate the human heart, bounds an institution that is not born for time—it is born for eternity itself. An institution whose cornerstones are Friendship, Charity, and Benevolence is builded upon a rock. Friendship, sincere, like love warm and true; Charity, one of the sweetest attributes which blossom in the human heart; Benevolence, a virtue kindred to charity. Faith, Hope, and Charity—these three—and the greatest is Charity. Without benevolence what would we be as a people? Those people who have not within their hearts benevolence are indeed unfortunate.

My friends, I wish again to thank you, and to express the hope that this enterprise, which opens so auspiciously, may fulfill your most optimistic desire. I understand that the fruit of this desire is to be used in liquidating the debt incurred in the erection of this temple. I bespeak for it the most cordial support of all those that believe in supporting, in the midst of a great community like this, a beneficent institution. This building will abide here many, many years to come. It is dedicated to a noble purpose. Here will be the center of splendid influences growing out from the limits of this community, going out to the limits of the Republic. My good friends, I thank you for your kindly greeting, and wish you each and all in your splendid undertaking the utmost possible success. I thank you.

The foregoing report of the speeches is from the stenographic notes taken by Leo Rullman, Fourth Division, G. P. O.

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Unionists Not Anarchists.

By the Rev. Charles Stelzle.

Possibly my experience with trades unionism has been peculiar, but I hardly think that that is so. My impression is that I have seen and heard the worst as well as the best in trades unionism. There is much in the movement that needs to be remedied. But no organization made up of flesh and blood is perfect.

Because of the very practical experience that I have had with the men in the ranks as well as with the leaders of organized labor, I have come to have little patience with the cry of "Anarchism" in some quarters, when the question of trades unionism is being discussed.

To judge a movement by isolated cases, as these opponents are doing, is rank injustice. It is an indication that their judgment as to the value of things is hardly to be trusted. They have failed to give matters their proportionate value.

But if their argument is to be considered, then others may also employ it. Numerous are the illustrations that might be cited which prove that trades unionism is not anarchistic, but only one or two may here be given.

Questions were being fired at me in a meeting of a Machinists' Local, when one brother asked, "Don't you think that we ought to use the weapons of the bosses—the gatling gun and the rifle?" Cries of "Anarchist!" "Shut up!" from men all over the hall effectually silenced the questioner. He stood absolutely alone, and I half suspect that he asked the question simply for the sake of getting up an argument.

It had been reported that a high official in our country had favorably received a delegation from an organization which opposed legislation favorable to workingmen. While the matter was being discussed at a meeting of a Western Central Labor Union, a delegate arose and remarked, "We ought to treat that official just as some of the Russian officials have been recently treated." In other words, the delegate implied that dynamite was the dose served him because of his apparent discrimination against workingmen. Instantly there came hisses from all parts of the room. Charges were preferred against him. The offender was given a formal trial and was unanimously expelled because of the anarchistic speech which he had made.

While it is true that here and there one finds a man in the labor movement who, under peculiar circumstances, will give expression to a declaration which may be anarchistic, it must not be forgotten that the tendency of trades unionism is for the enforcement of law and order.

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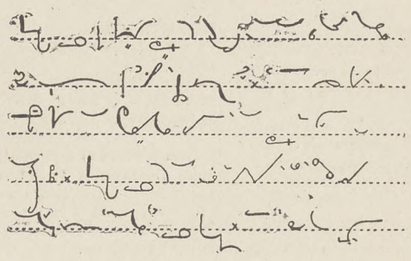
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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Sixth Division.

Parsons and O'Brien—that's all.

They're off. May the best man win.

The G. P. O. paid its back leave indebtedness last Friday. It was just like getting money from home.

Earl Baxter, assistant Lanston machinist of the Fifth Division, spent Easter Sunday in Philadelphia.

"Tommy" Towne returned to this Division last week from the Library Branch where he has been employed for several months.

Wm. H. Drayton, of this Division, has been suffering for the past week with an affliction of the eye, rendering his absence from the office necessary.

Edgar N. Trainham, a Merg. operator and recently acting as linotype machinist in the Job Room, has been transferred to the Library Branch as an operator.

According to statistics there are 16,000 more women than men in the District. And even at that there are some women who prefer to ride with their own sex only on the elevators.

The nomination of Chas. W. Pafflow for delegate last Sunday came as a complete surprise. Mr. Pafflow is well known as an author and linguist and a man of much ability on labor questions.

The name of George S. Fletcher, chairman of the Sixth Division, will appear on the election ballot for alternate delegate. Mr. Fletcher has all the qualifications necessary for that position.

The movement to take away from the G. P. O. the printing of the *Official Gazette* will come to a successful termination at about the same time as the one started some years ago to remove the United States capital to Sedalia, Mo.

The requests for a day off were numerous last Saturday. The laying of the corner stone of the office building for the House of Representatives, the opening of the baseball season, and the last day of the horse races were the causes.

Machinist L. H. Whitham, of this Division, was presented last week with a fifty round trip pass book over the Washington, Alexandria, etc., railway by the officials of that company. A new country home recently constructed by Mr. Whitham along the line was the cause for the generosity on the part of the railway company.

An entertainment and dance will be given on Wednesday, April 25, by the Assured Assistance Association, an organization composed chiefly of women employed in the G. P. O. A splendid program is said to have been arranged for the occasion and as the tickets are but twenty-five cents, a large attendance will undoubtedly be present.

As soon as the report from my lawyers is received I will decide whether to bring suit against the TRADES UNIONIST or not for permitting an error to go through in my notes of last week. In referring to A. F. Bloomer as "my lost friend," the intelligent compositor got in his work and made it read "my best friend." My "best" friend? Ye gods and little fishes.

When Allen G. Flowers left his cot in the George Washington Hospital to attend union meeting and place in nomination his friend, Charles H. Gove, he demonstrated that it was more than love for notoriety which actuated his efforts and his true friendship for the man he nominated. Mr. Flowers is a Lanston operator of the Fifth Division and has been off duty for the past four weeks on account of his health.

I was told the other day that a prominent Senator from a Southern State had made the remark that he could get one hundred printers in his State to come to Washington and work in the G. P. O. for $2 a day. I doubt not also that one thousand men or more can be found down there who will be willing to don his Senatorial toga for $1 a day and even less; which merely goes to show that Senators may be procured for a less sum than printers after all.

The honor that will come to T. C. Parsons, that of being elected president of Columbia Union without opposition, is truly great. Mr. Parsons is of a personality that pleases on sight. In his race for delegate two years ago he impressed everyone as being a man of broad mind, liberal in his views on unionism, and conservative in action. His peaceful conduct of the down-town strike, a strike which is one of the most orderly in history and which has brought great credit upon the craft at large has so endeared him to Columbia's membership that the best gift they had to offer has been given him without the asking.

Last Sunday's meeting of the Union was another of those largely attended affairs which has marked the administration of President John R. Berg. During his occupancy of the chair many perplexing questions have arisen, which called for careful handling and conservative action on the part of the presiding officer, questions that might easily have divided Columbia's membership had they been handled in a less tactful manner. To-day the entire membership stands as one man without a ripple of discord in its ranks, for which the membership has much to be thankful to their president. No. 101's members will soon have an opportunity to show their appreciation for the above conditions, and it is not too much to prophesy that Mr. Berg will be sent to Colorado Springs a delegate as a result.

It has often been said by people, either from prejudice or ignorance of facts, that women members of trades organizations will be found wanting in true unionism in times of trouble. In this connection and with a desire to refute such statements it is my desire to relate an incident in the life of Miss Teresa McDonald, candidate for delegate from down-town. Miss McDonald was employed on the Brooklyn *Eagle* some few years ago holding down one of the best situations at the time. A strike was ordered, and of the some fifty men and twenty-six women compositors employed there came out on the call some seven men and two women, one of whom was the little woman who now appeals to Columbia Union members to elect her a delegate. In all things pertaining to the affairs of Columbia Union she is faithful and enthusiastic. She has all the qualifications necessary for a delegate, and I predict she will give her four gentlemen rivals in the contest the race of their lives.

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Joy reigned supreme last week among those who last year had a kick coming because of lost leave of absence. From an incident which happened I am inclined to believe that Paymaster Bennett has either recently visited the House of Mirth or is naturally born that way. While signing up on the pay-roll for last year's lost leave I discovered several who had quite an amount coming to them, and made a remark to the paymaster accordingly.

"Yes," said he, "there's one that beats them all. See that for $178?"

"Gee! He must be going somewhere," said I.

"No; he's gone."

"Oh, I see; on leave.

"No; he's dead."

The offense is serious, but I stand ready to forgive him whenever he produces the coin for lost leave of absence while serving on the temporary roll. And there are several hundred more who will say "Amen" to this.

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W. H. Anglin, of the *Record*, delivered last Sunday a satirical oration on the nomination of George H. Hayden, which was not only eloquently delivered, but from a laughable standpoint would have been hard to have improved upon. However, the popularity of the subject, George H. Hayden (the gentleman from Virginia) may have had considerable to do with the tremendous applause he received at the oration's conclusion.

Mr. Anglin said in part:

Mr. President, on February 22, 1732, on the banks of the Potomac not far away, was born the "Father of our Country." Nearly a century elapsed before Virginia gave birth to another who, in generalship, was almost an equal to Washington—Lee. But not until 1866 did the beauty and grandeur of nature make itself so resplendent as when, like old Vesuvius, she belched forth the personage of one whom it is my pleasure this beautiful Easter day to join my colleagues in the hearty approbation of seconding his nomination—as delegate. The gentleman in person, while his pedigree, unlike Washington or Lee, is to us unknown, is no stranger to any of us here, having cast his lot with Columbia Union in 1890. Speaking horsorically, he has the speed of a Sysonby, can go the distance of an Irish Lad, can pack the weight of Roseben, and is always at odds-on in the Race of Union supremacy. Of his many peculiar traits his worst is regarding members of the craft as human beings. I would add here Mr. President, that it is through the untiring efforts and influences of such men as Mr. Hayden that impels the Supreme Court—the highest tribunal in his State—to affirm the decision of the lower court in favor of the printers, thereby compelling the Typothetæ—our worst enemy—to pay all expenses. Mr. President, let every one of us in casting our vote cast one for him who is at all hazards in full accord with organized labor.

CHAS. S. GUNN.

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES.

"Everybody's," that headliner among the monthlies, continues in popular favor.

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In his new book, "Morgan's Cavalry," issued by the Neale Company, New York and Washington, General Basil Duke has made the volume more than a narrative of incidents afield in the career of the dashing cavalryman. Sidelights are thrown on the achievements of the two Breckinridges, John C. and W. C. P.; on Generals Forrest, Wheeler, and Albert Sidney Johnston. A realistic romance is woven around many lesser lights contributing to the ensemble of a picture of a thrilling period in the nation's history. The chapter "Why Kentucky Failed to Secede" takes up a study of conditions political, understood only by active participants therein. Making the work particularly valuable to individuals with a military trend, the author gives the "Reason Why," setting forth in detail the cause prompting each of the several campaigns undertaken by General Morgan. A chapter is devoted to life in the enemy's country—the long journey through Ohio and Indiana, and another to the forced sojourn in the Ohio penitentiary, with the exciting escape therefrom. The thread of the narrative is not lost while General Duke and his associates were confined there and at Johnson's Island and at Fort Delaware, and continues to follow the flag and fortunes of the old command, after the death of General Morgan at Greenville, Tenn., to the final disbandment at Woodstock; Ga., meanwhile touching on many points worthy of preservation in the archives of the great struggle.

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With peace hovering oe'r it like wings of a dove;
Where each quest is welcome God's portals to seek,
To all who shall enter blessings bespeak.

But only Thou O! Christ art love,
And when t'wards Thee I look I rise above;
But the old subtle foe tempteth and reaches out for me,
Not one hour by ourselves can sustain we
Thy grace alone can wing me from his art,
Liken unto adamant draw to thee my heart;
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Death of C. W. Kelly.

Chas. W. Kelly, of the Second Division night force, G. P. O., died Saturday last of pneumonia. He was sick but a week. Mr. Kelly was an exemplary Union man and a kind husband and father. He leaves a widow and eight children, the youngest but three weeks old. Mr. Kelly was an occasional correspondent on this paper, his last contributions appearing under Second Division night force notes, signed "Kaskaret."

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I read with interest each number of the *Scrap Book*; then turn it over to my little girl, with instructions to pass it on down to posterity. Mr. Munsey should take one of his readers from the *Times*, this city, and place him on his New York publications. As an instance for this need, in that classic of Theodore O'Hara, "The Bivouac of the Dead," appearing in the current issue of the *Scrap Book*, are found a number of errors—all rank and rotten ones. I never knew a pensive lay, nor an eagle's flight, nor a raven's scream to *walk*; perhaps the reader meant *wake*. I would not take it a great deal of rapture would be contained in *flight*; possibly *fight* was the word intended. Winter hangs heavy; winter does not fly. Better make it read "Nor wreck nor charge, nor winter's *blight*." The omission of words, of letters, and minor errors, swell the number thereof to ten.

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TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

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Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. of M., will on the twentieth day of the present month celebrate its fifteenth anniversary by giving an entertainment to its members, their wives, mothers, sisters and sweethearts, at National Rifles' Armory. The program will be unique in character and will be entirely different from previous entertainments. After the entertainment proper a luncheon will be served, to be followed by a dance. It is expected that the hall will be packed on this occasion, so I would advise ticket holders to come early and secure good seats.

I had an agreeable surprise the other evening. One of the old-timers in the labor movement dropped in and spent an hour. His visit brought back memories of the long ago, when he and I were both many years younger than now and both engaged in the same work, but at different lines. I have always had a warm spot in my heart for Bro. E. W. Oyster, and when he comes to visit me he will always find the latchstring on the outside. The good work done by him in the eight-hour movement years ago should never be forgotten by trades unionists.

Capt. Charles W. Ricker, of E. G. C. Shop, met with a mishap Thursday last that will place him on the "down and out" list for some days. In stepping from his machine to the floor he missed his footing and struck his head against the machine with such force as to render him unconscious. Captain Ricker, who is best known to all the boys as "Texas Steer," is steering close to the four-score mark. Notwithstanding his advanced age he is a constant visitor to Columbia Lodge, of which he is an active member. His reminiscences of the civil war and forty years on the Texas border are always interesting. It is to be hoped that the gallant Captain will soon recover and resume his labors among the boys.

An apprentice boy named Hunt, a member of the junior lodge, met with an accident one day this week that may cost him his life In some inexplainable manner he was thrown from his wheel while riding to work, striking his head against an iron post with such force as to fracture his skull. He was immediately taken to Providence Hospital, where every effort is being made to save his life. His is an extremely unfortunate case, owing to the fact that he is doubly an orphan. His associates of the junior lodge, however, will see to it that he wants for nothing during his illness. The action of the union boys in this case should be an incentive to all those who are standing aloof, to at once enroll their names as members.

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One of those pleasant features that make lodge meetings interesting occurred last Wednesday evening in Columbia Lodge of Machinists.

Bro. M. A. Bowen, past president, who is always looking for something that might be of interest to the lodge, in a neat little speech presented to the president for the use of the lodge two gavels, both with an interesting history—one of maple, made from a portion of an historical tree from Mt. Vernon; the other of walnut, made from a portion of the door to the Congressional Library in the Capitol building. The mechanical construction of the gavels was the handiwork of Mr. Seabreeze, of the G. P. O.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Bro. Bowen. The lodge thereupon tendered the old gavels, which had done such yeoman service for many years, to the apprentice lodge, not for their intrinsic value, but as mementoes. No doubt the juniors will appreciate this gift from the mother lodge.

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The latest acknowledgement relative to the good work done by the skilled artisans in the Naval Gun Factory, was placed on the bulletin this week. It reads as follows:

BUREAU OF ORDNANCE.

Navy Department, *April 10, 1906.*

The Bureau is very much gratified at the successful completion at the Naval Gun Factory of substantially all the ordnance work for the turrets of the *Tennessee* and *Washington*, and requests that you will express to the officers and employees concerned the Bureau's thanks and gratification for the excellent work which has been done, and the great zeal and interest displayed in the prompt execution of the Bureau's order in regard to the completion and delivery of this material.

(Signed) N. E. MASON,
Chief, Bureau of Ordnance.

To the Commandant, Washington Navy Yard.

The kind expression of Chief Mason relative to the good work of the skilled mechanics in the Naval Gun Factory is highly appreciated by the workmen.

We are willing to receive bouquets, but we feel that better effect would have been produced among the boys if Chief Mason had forwarded one of the bouquets to the Naval Committee in Congress by an endorsement of the mechanics' bill to increase their wages. Praise of your work is always acceptable, but when an additional wage accompanies that indorsement it is far better than the old-time saying "that empty words, not accompanied by actual deeds, are but tinkling cymbals." We trust, however, that it is not too late for Chief Mason to do the square deal act by the boys whom he praises so handsomely for their good work.

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Recently an order was received in the Yard from the Bureau of Ordnance directing the modification of 6-inch mounts for the *Alabama* and *Illinois*. Knowing that this was a rush order, foremen, master mechanics, chartermen, and employes used every means in their power to expedite the work. As a recognition of the services rendered Lieut. J. H. Holdom, in charge of the work, on submitting his report to the Bureau, through the Commandant, highly commended the supervising force and the skilled mechanics for the valuable service rendered.

In response to that recommendation Admiral N. E. Mason, Chief of Ordnance Bureau, said:

The Bureau is very much gratified at the excellent work which has been done at the Naval Gun Factory, in not only expediting the work for the *Illinois* and *Alabama*, but in completing all other work required for the vessels of the United States Atlantic fleet, and desires to compliment the supervising force and the skilled mechanics for their zeal and great interest manifested in completing this work. It is also a matter of congratulation that this extra work has been done without materially delaying other similar work for the new vessels which is equally urgent.

There can be no disputing the fact that such little things—trifles you may call them—create a kind feeling between the officers and men. We are all in a certain degree susceptible to flattery, the young more so than those of advanced life, and it is gratifying to know that when we do our level best to carry out the orders of our superiors in office that recognition in some form or other will be bestowed.

While the skilled workmen of the Gun Factory fully appreciate the efforts, not only of Lieut. Holdom, but of the Chief of Bureau, to show their recognition of their valued services, they feel that a much better tribute could have been paid them by the Chief of Bureau in recommending to Congress the passage of the bill to regulate the pay of the employes in the Navy Yard. They feel that an endorsement coming from one holding such a high position in the Secretary's cabinet would receive particular attention by the Naval Committee in Congress.

Admiral Mason is no stranger to the Naval Gun Factory, as he was stationed in the Yard for many years, and is fully familiar with the high standard requisite in a mechanic necessary in the manufacture of ordnance. He fully knows and understands the fact that it takes years of study and experience before a workman becomes skilled in the art of ordnance. Therefore we believe that under such conditions not only the Secretary and the Chief of Bureau, but the Superintendent of the Naval Gun Factory should unite with us in asking Congress to provide a wage commensurate with our duties as skilled workmen.

While we feel complimented by the kind expreesions of Admiral Mason we would better appreciate his recommendation to Congress for the passage of our wage bill.

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In recording the death of Bro. Edward P. Buckley, of Columbia Lodge, I feel from so close association with the deceased that one of my own children has passed into eternity. Brother Buckley was but twenty-seven years of age when he was called to answer the dread summons. His remains were conveyed to his native home, Eimira, N. Y., for interment. The sympathy of his shopmates go out to the mother and sister of their beloved shopmate, as expressed by the beautiful flowers as a token of their love and respect.

Death loves a shining mark. It often seems
Earth's fairest hopes are first to fade away.
Brightening a moment life's dark, troublesome streams
Ere they depart, all cold and silently.
When buoyant with hope, with aspirations high,
Life's sunny dreams all beautiful appear,
It's future plans in pleasing prospect lie,
And promise usefulness and honor here.

Too soon, alas! its loved ones pass away;
Riches and honor have no saving power.
Heartless and cruel is the tyrant's sway—
All are compelled to own him conqueror.
The high and low, the rich and poor, must yield,
And on a level low before him fall
From earth's high places to the tented field,
Summoned alike, none disobey the call.

We mourn the early dead when those fair flowers,
That bloom so sweetly in spring o' sunny morn,
Are wont to droop in an untimely hour,
And ofttimes perish at its earliest dawn;
Nipt by the chilly breast of ruthless blasts,
Withered and crushed beneath the spoiler's tread,
Their cherished beauty all too bright to last,
They fall and perish with the unconscious dead.

Yet why lament or mourn the early dead,
Or grieve that they've exchanged life's varying storms
For hopes immortal—joys that never fade;
For sweet perennial flowers, exempt from thorns:
Where purer, brighter, holier spirits dwell,
And more delightful scenes employ the hours;
Where no sad parting's known, no long farewell,
And sorrow's bitter pang is felt no more.

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OBITUARY.

James T. Boiseau, probably the oldest inhabitant on Capitol Hill, passed away April 7, aged eight-eight years. Three score years ago Mr. Boiseau, who was familiarly known to every one as "Uncle Jimmie," was employed in the smith shop in the yard. He soon retired from Government service, however, and engaged in private work, and by energy and pluck amassed quite a fortune.

For several years before his death he had retired from active business affairs and had devoted his time and means to religious works and acts of charity.

He was buried from St. Peter's Church, of which he had been a member all his life. He lived a stainless life and died a Christian's death.

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8.10 p. m. Monday by President Adams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Grievance Committee presented contracts from National Capital Brewing Co. in settlement of Iron Workers' grievance against that firm.

CREDENTIALS.

Electrical Workers, No. 26: Fred Mitchell, vice James McQueen.

Cement and Granolithic Construction Workers, No. 60: G. W. Thomas, J. A. Biefield, J. Fink.

Cement Workers, No. 61: John Queen, P. S. Miller, W. Anderson.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Massachusetts Bureau of Statistics of Labor, asking for information relative to creation of legislative committee to look after labor legislation in Congress. Request complied with.

From Painters' Union, No. 368, stating that they had indorsed election of Delegate De Nedrey as Legislative Delegate and the resolution favoring suffrage in the District. Placed on file

From Local No. 76, Brotherhood of Bookbinders, Toledo, Ohio, asking for certain information respecting a candidate for office in that city. Referred to Legislative Committee.

From the following Unions, indorsing action of Central Body in placing Schondau & Lynch, Bowers and Daly, Mudd & Brown, and Richard Collins, master horseshoers, on the unfair list:

Cigarmakers' Union, No. 110.
Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5.
Painters' Union, No. 368.
Electrical Workers, No. 26.
Bakers' Union, No. 118.
Iron Molders, No. 215.

The communications were placed on file.

From High Point (N. C.) Central Labor Union, asking for moral and financial aid in struggle of wood workers and glass workers of High Point, N. C., against combined manufacturers establishing the "open shop" conditions in that city. On motion $10 was appropriated and a committee consisting of De Nedrey, Pfau, and Adams, were appointed to visit dealers in this city handling the product of that town.

From Mill Workers' Helpers, No. 11485, asking for assistance to stop efforts being made to disorganize their Union. Referred to American Federation of Labor.

From Joint Committee in charge of May Day Celebration, inviting the Central Body to be present at celebration in Odd Fellows' Hall on May 1. Placed on file.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The special order being the resolution presented by Local No. 77, Engineers, denouncing arrest of officers of Western Federation of Miners, laid over from last meeting, on motion the matter was referred to a special committee consisting of Delegates Winslow, Snellings, Field, Spohn, and Skillinger to draft suitable resolutions on the matter.

Delegate Winslow called attention to recent disaster in San Francisco, and moved that an appropriation of $50 be made by this body for the benefit of the sufferers in that city, same to be sent to Mayor Schmitz. Carried.

Delegate Feeney reported that bill H. R. 18332, to establish a representative form of government in the District of Columbia, had been introduced by Hon. J. Warren Keifer, of Ohio. The bill was indorsed and the legislative delegates instructed to push the same.

A bill for lost time ($5) of members of the Grievance Committee was read and ordered paid.

Bottlers' Union, No. 251, presented a grievance against the following bottling houses:

Arlington Bottling Co.
Northwestern Bottling Works.
August G. Herrmann.
John D. O'Meara.
F. H. Finley & Son.
Richard T. Mazinger.
Samuel C. Palmer.
Pabst Brewing Co.
Anheuser-Busch Brewing Co.
Schlitz Brewing Co.

On motion, the grievance was referred to the Grievance Committee.

The Grievance Committee having recommended that Glen Echo Park be placed on the unfair list, on motion the recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

Delegate E. L. Adams requested that the secretary of the Central Labor Union be instructed to request the A. F. of L. to appoint E. J. Roche a member of its Legislative Committee to serve the remainder of the present session of Congress. Request granted.

Delegate Manning, from Retail Clerks' Union, requested a committee to assist his Union in adjusting their differences with Messrs. Joseph Auerbach and Eiseman Bros. Request granted, and Delegates Feeney, E. L. Adams, and De Nedrey were appointed.

Adjourned.

THE MOROCCOS.

The G. P. O. Amateur Bowling League has completed its schedule, and the Moroccos have finished third. This team is made up of the best bowlers in the G. P. O. and will undoubtedly be the champion team next year. Conroy, the captain of the Moroccos, has an average of 172, while Crass and Herbeck have 168 and 162, respectively.

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

Having an eye for artistic printing, send 6 cents to Bonnie Bros., Louisville, Ky., for their booklet.

Frank Bland, one of Washington's most expert linotype operators, departed for Gotham on Thursday.

The *Ohio Penitentiary News* has suspended publication until the State authorities incarcerate another printer in that institution.

An agriculturist is an individual who lives in the city and spends his money in the country; a farmer is an individual who lives in the country and spends his money in the city.

Carlos B. Tomlin writes from Phœnix, Ariz., that he is on the highway to health. He reports meeting in the Treasure Territory a Mr. Bickley, Wm. R. Chipley and George W. Whitney, all formerly of this bailiwick.

Business Manager Marks, who has contributed materially to the upbuilding of the *Times*, has transferred his affections to the *Post*, Managing Editor Shaw of the *Times* succeeding to the business management of the latter.

While I was at the Agricultural Department this week, Chief of Publications Hill took occasion to mention the meritorious work of Messrs. Arnold, Stallings and Cornman, all printing office graduates, now in his bureau.

W. G. Maxfield, who for nearly three months has suffered from a severe affliction of his eyes, made an effort to return to work one day last week. He entertains hope, from a course of treatment upon which he is entering, to be able to resume his duties before the expiration of another ninety days.

Luther Divine, as a member of the Masonic order, accompanied the remains of Chas. W. Kelly to the former home of the latter in Michigan. The fraternal tie brings a rapid response in the hour of trial; yet another noble band—the wives and daughters of the neighborhood, with no obligation to bind, only the promptings of humanity—was quick to alleviate, as far as possible, the wants of the stricken mother and the half dozen prattlers at her knee.

Next week will make its appearance in Washington an eight-page weekly paper, the *Standard* by name, under the proprietorship of John L. Kennedy. It is to be, as I understand, in no sense a newspaper, but rather a dissertation on men and measures. Under the pen name of "Cruiser," Mr. Kennedy has in the past contributed to craft papers.

Under the heading "Death Comes at Dawn," a Chicago music publisher sends me a circular, with the request that I contribute an effusion on the 'Frisco disaster to accompany a set of moving pictures. My limited experience in the song production does not teach that the "inspiration" is born at the crack of the whip or the pressure of a button.

Mark Moore, of the Law Reporter Co., hands me a new phrase, "Pass it on." He tells how an individual, run down at the heel, struck him for $2 to tide over Sunday. When his friend caught on he offered to return the loan. "No," says Mark; "the money was not given you with that intention. When you meet a party who needs it worse than you do give it to him, with instructions to pass it on. And do you know," he continues, "I have had half a dozen echoes of that little transaction."

Let it travel down the years,
Let it wipe another's tears,
'Till the deed in heaven appears—
Pass it on.

Some years ago an English lad crossed the Atlantic, a stowawav. After acquiring a knowledge of the printing business he drifted about the country, finally landing in Washington with the determination to remain long enough to graduate in his chosen profession—that of the law. This he did, forthwith resigning his position and taking up a residence in Waco, Tex. The first year, he says, he only made $100; the second year the skies brightened, and to-day John J. Foster is located at Del Rio, Tex., on the sunny side of Easy Street, with the ducats rolling in at the rate of $1,000 a month. Mr. Foster passed through the city on Sunday a week ago, remaining long enough to look up a number of his typographical acquaintances.

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NOTICE TO CHAIRMEN.

At the special meeting of Columbia Typographical Union, held Wednesday afternoon, the following resolutions were adopted, and chairmen are requested to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly:

Whereas by the terrible disaster at San Francisco, in which every printing office in the city was destroyed, our brethren are in distress and in need of assistance, in which condition they must remain until the printing establishments are rebuilt and equipped; therefore be it

Resolved by Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, That the chairman of the various chapels under our jurisdiction are directed to immediately take up a subscription for the benefit of our suffering fellow-unionists and at once report to the secretary the amount of subscriptions received by them, which shall be collected at the next pay day.

Resolved, That the officers of this Union are hereby authorized and directed to advance the amount of money subcribed and at once forward it to the officers of San Francisco Typographical Union, No. 21.

Resolved, That our members are solicited to give as freely to this worthy cause as their means will permit, bearing in mind the horror of the situation in San Francisco and the great need of our brethren.

Public Printer Stillings, after assuring the meeting that he was in hearty sympathy with its purposes, stated that he would co-operate with those having the matter in charge and indicated his intention of subscribing $10 himself. He requested that the passing of the lists be done within the next two or three days, with as little interference with the public business as possible.

Chairmen of newspaper and book and job chapels are requested to complete their lists at their earliest convenience, without further notice.

Unattached members of the Union may pay to the secretary any amounts they may desire to contribute. The following contributions have already been received:

August Donath	$5.00
John A. Ray	1.00
G. G. Seibold	1.00

JOHN R. BERG,
President.

For Relief of Frisco Printers.

President Lynch has sent out the following, dated April 21, bearing on the San Francisco disaster:

SAN FRANCISCO.

The following telegraphic correspondence explains itself:

"Indianapolis, Ind., April 19, 1906.
"George A. Tracy,
"Room 19, 533 Kearny St.,
"San Francisco, Cal.

"Executive Council International Typographical Union extends sincere sympathy to members of San Francisco Typographical Union and citizens generally in their hour of affliction. Let us know what we can do, financially or otherwise.

"J. W. BRAMWOOD,
"*Secretary.*"

"Oakland, Cal., April 19, 1906.
"James M. Lynch,
"Newton Claypool Building,
"Indianapolis.

"Every printing office wiped out in San Francisco. Suffering among members inevitable. Wire authority to use International funds now on hand. Address here.

"F. J. BONNINGTON."

"Indianapolis, Ind., April 19, 1906.
"F. J. Bonnington,
"Oakland, Cal.

"Union authorized to use funds on hand. International will furnish more if necessary. Council wired Tracy this morning.

"JAMES M. LYNCH."

Joseph Auerbach, 623 Penna., ave., sells the Brigham & Hopkins Baltimore make straw hats.

A Dance at the Temple.

The ladies of Woman's Auxiliaty, No. 13, to Columbia Typographical Union No. 101, will give an entertain ment and dance at Typographical Temple, Wednesday evening, May 9. An excellent programme is promised, to be followed by dancing from 10 to 12 o'clock. Tickets, only 25 cents. It is hoped that Columbia Union will be well represented, as all the candidates are expected to be present. Come and look them over.

New Yorks Next.

The Nationals meet the New York this week, playing Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. The many admirers of Willie Keeler will go to the ball park to see him and Jack Chesbro, the spit ball exponent, will have an opportunity to display his cunning in the box.

MISSED THE EARTHQUAKE.

Herb. Steele Was Out of Town Temporarily Last Week.

We print an interesting letter from an occasional correspondent, H. Herbert Steele, who happened to be out of town during the recent disaster in Frisco. Mr. Steele will be remembered as a proofreader under Benedict the Good, and has a host of friends here and across the continent who will rejoice to hear that he escaped the fearful disaster that unnerved the strongest of men:

RENO, NEV., April 20,-'06.

EDITOR TRADES UNIONIST:

May be some will wonder what of Herb. Steele and the San Francisco disaster? Wife and I had been more or less ill all winter, and for three weeks were up in Sierra Valley of California, on the eastern slope of the great Sierra Nevada range of mountains. The mountains all around were covered with four to twenty feet of snow, and last week a snowfall covered the valley.

By merest chance we were not in San Francisco the day before the earthquake shock. At a hotel in Sierra Valley, a Reno lady suggested that, it being but a short distance, we spend a couple of days in Reno. This we did, and the fatal shock occurred in the early morning of the day we were to leave for San Francisco.

Am here without a union card; it was left with the San Francisco secretary. The president of Reno Union is in the mountains prospecting for gold with some other printers. The vice-president said to-day he had never transacted any official business, but thought from my representation he would issue me a permit and I could get work.

Had a little property in San Francisco, but it is not now worth 5 cents. Don't know just what I will do.

The telegraph wires are crowded with official messages, and no private telegrams to San Francisco will be accepted for transmission.

Every newspaper in San Francisco was either wrecked by the shock or consumed by following fire. All job offices of any size and all bank buildings were located in the devastated districts.

The secretary of the Union every afternoon, between 5 and 6, placed the money receipts of the day in a vault of the California National Bank. Whether that will ever come back to the Union is a question; for no bank in that city will be able to return all its deposits.

The Hibernia Savings Bank had between five and six millions of deposits loaned on buildings erected or under construction, and the German American Savings Bank had a little less. These deposits were almost totally from mechanics and small trades people.

The *Call*, *Chronicle*, and *Examiner*, large morning papers, yesterday in triplicate issued a two-page sheet from an Oakland job office. Oakland is five miles across on the eastern side of San Francisco bay.

The shock occurred a little after 5 o'clock Wednesday morning. Ben Ferguson works in the *Chronicle* ad room, and he and Frank Stretton and a number of other morning newspaper printers often wait in a restaurant-saloon for the 6 o'clock morning street cars. This is in the earthquake line. Kid Eckdall roomed in that section, and a good many third-shift job office machine operators going on at 12 p. m., were working when the shock came. George Tracy roomed beyond the line of eruption.

The new postoffice building was wrecked, its contents destroyed by fire, and mail facilities in chaos.

Reno is the principal city of the sand desert State of Nevada. Gambling is licensed by the State law, and in saloon after saloon along the railroad street, faro, craps, stud poker and roulette is continuous day and night. Some players are making 10-cent bets, some $1, some hundreds of dollars.

H. HERBERT STEELE.

The Trades Unionist Cup.

The Moroccos, of the G. P. O. Bowling League, won the the third prize in the tournament just closed, having put

up a hard fight with the Cow Boys, of the same League. The cup is now on exhibition at Reilly's cigar store, 735 North Capitol street.

Joseph Auerbach, 623 Penna. ave., sells the Manhattan Negligee Shirts.

RELIEF FOR FRISCO.

Printing Trades Unions Will Contribute Liberally.

At a special meeting of Columbia Typographical Union, held Wednesday, April 25, Public Printer Stillings was introduced and made a short speech, in which he said that whatever course the Union might adopt in the collection of relief for the Frisco sufferers he would cordially co-operate in.

A motion to appropriate $1,000 from the funds of the Union was lost, the majority of those present desiring to have a popular subscription taken up when it was confidently believed over that amount would be secured.

The popular-subscription plan was carried, and the officers of the Union were directed to send the money to the president of the San Francisco Union.

BOOKBINDERS' BENEFIT.

Bookbinders' Union, No. 4, in connection with Women's Bindery Union, No. 42, will give an entertainment for the Frisco sufferers, at Gonzaga Hall, on Friday evening, May 3, the church authorities at Gonzaga College kindly donating the hall for that purpose.

The Hardy Dramatic Company will present the comedy, "Naval Engagement," and tickets will be sold at 25 cents each.

PRINTING PRESSMEN.

At the regular monthly meeting of Printing Pressmen's Union, No. 1, to be held Saturday, May 4, plans for relief of the sufferers in Frisco will be outlined, in which the Press Feeders' Union will co-operate.

PLATE PRINTERS' UNION.

The employes of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing have placed $2,000 as the amount they will contribute to the Frisco sufferers. The men and women of the Bureau are well known for their work in behalf of humanity at large. In this connection Plate Printers' Union, No. 2, has already forwarded $500 to Frisco through the local business men's committee in this city.

Free Lectures to the People.

Wednesday evening, April 18, Gen. George B. Loud, lecturer and writer on patriotic subjects, gave a brilliant talk in the Zion Baptist Church, in the Course of Free Lectures to the People, on "Abraham Lincoln."

Among other things, General Loud said:

Abraham Lincoln lived and died, barring the fearful details of his taking off, at precisely the right time in the existence of our country. His advent at any other period would have been, perhaps, a national misfortune, although one of which the nation would never have been cognizant.

Fiction can find no match for the romance of his life, and biography will be searched in vain for such startling vicissitudes of fortune—so great power and glory from such humble beginnings and adverse circumstances.

Although forty years have passed since the assassin's bullet terminated his earthly career, Abraham Lincoln will guide patriotic American thought from his grave for centuries to come much as does the humble Nazarene guide Christian thought from the cross and by the agonies of Gethsemane.

My lecture would be incomplete if I failed to refer to Lincoln's speech at Gettysburg in 1865, at the dedication of the monument to the Union soldiers and sailors of America. His words, uttered on that occasion, breathe a purer love of country than can be found in the words of any other known man, and will go down through the ages as a vast piece of thought and will live in the hearts of the American people until memory lends its light no more. No heart in all the land throbbed with a truer, kindlier charity toward all than did the great heart of Abraham Lincoln. As Washington centered upon the stage of life to conduct a revolution and found a nation, so Lincoln, perhaps unconsciously to himself and friends, was introduced into public life for the purgation and preservation of the integrity of this Republic. He came prominently into its life just at a time when such a personality was required for some strikingly divine purpose; he went out of it into glory when that purpose was accomplished. It cost him his life, but note the returns—the emancipation of millions of living souls and the preservation of that unity which binds forty-five commonwealths together as one nation to-day.

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TRADES UNIONIST AGENCY

All subscriptions, renewals, and payments by agents of THE TRADES UNIONIST in The Government Printing Office can be made at No. 5 H street northwest (office of Columbia Credit Co.)

The San Francisco Disaster.

The first effects of the terrible shock given the people of San Francisco and vicinity in the recent earthquake and great fire is gradually wearing away. The promptness with which relief was forthcoming attested to the full the feeling of humanity that actuates the whole American people to those in distress. But there is plenty to do yet in assisting the sufferers to regain, in a measure, that comfort they enjoyed before the disaster. Organizations all over the country are coming to the rescue of their fellows on the coast, and to no small degree will labor organizations enter into the good work.

At the risk of appearing selfish we should consider that while relief associations will be called upon to bear a great share of the burden of distribution, it should be also remembered that considerable trouble and work can be obviated by allowing the trade organizations to care for their own. It will relieve the civic organization of a great deal of work and act as an auxiliary to it for the various international labor bodies represented in San Francisco to receive and dispense relief to their membership. It will also have a tendency to make the recipient of the bounty of his fellow unionists feel that he is not accepting charity, but what he of right should receive through his organization in time of dire need.

There are many features of the case that will appeal to us when considering the condition of trades unionists in Frisco. Should an opportunity present itself for them to secure employment in most cases their tools are lost, and to those who are familiar with the trade should be given the privilege to secure the tools for the applicant to begin again the struggle for a livelihood.

It is for this reason that we should feel actuated by a common impulse to render all the aid we can to the sufferers, and in helping our own we relieve the general committee of the care of those we have a prior claim to—that of fraternity and brotherhood.

One feature of this spontaneous outpouring of funds by labor unions will give food for thought to advocates of "open shop" ideas, and possibly allow them sufficient time to reflect on the condition of the man who forfeits the esteem of his fellow workers when he abandons his union. The employer is not expected to aid him, but he can always expect it of his union.

CAPI'S OGLINGS.

E. B. Chambers, for many years a reader in the G. P. O., has, on account of failing health, retired from active work, and leaves this week to enter a retreat at Los Angeles, where he hopes to spend the rest of his days.

How strangely man is afflicted! Pass- a group of enthusiasts after the last union meeting, I found one dreamy individual with hair dishevelled and a large paper ax on his desk. Inquiring the cause of the commotion, I was informed that the muse had caused the affliction, and he termed it "poetry carved by the ax." With all due respect to the authorities of St. Elizabeth, I reproduce the effusion:

THE CANDIDATES.

John Berg feels sure that he will go—
A fortune teller told him so—
And while he's quietly sawing wood,
His friends all say, "His Record's good."

Which, of course, inspires him with confidence as to the result.

Frank Smith is strictly in the race,
The smiles keep spreading o'er his face,
And those sweet smiles, childlike and bland,
Mean that he's out to "beat the band."

And he says he will lend weight to the delegation.

Charley Gove is out for votes,
The boys are now comparing notes.
They find he never loses out—
So he will win without a doubt.

Unless when the votes are counted he should find that he is just a little "shy."

And Pafflow, wise and learned Paff,
If he perchance should get the gaff,
Might show at least that he's a writer,
And send his book by Monroe Kreiter—

Who has been making an impassioned appeal for literature for the Home.

F. C. Roberts, staunch and square,
Would fain breath Colorado air,
And then come home, refreshed and able,
To start anew to boom the label.

The great difficulty in elections seems to be in getting the votes.

O'er mountains clothed in snowy white
Hayden would roam in sheer delight,
Happy in Nature's pure display,
Content where purling brooklets play.

And for that reason George desires a large number of votes.

Redfield, the jaunty, debonair,
And handsome man without compare,
Is hard to figure on the dope—
Still here the ladies base their hope.

And the influence of the Anxiliary is nothing if not powerful.

Michael Maher—no kin to Pete—
Don't know the meaning of defeat.
He flings his banner to the sky,
And westward casts an eager eye.

The casting of the ballots in his favor is now all he desires.

Bela Feeney—his real name—
Is one who also yearns for fame.
His motto is "I am a striker
And in my line I am no piker."

And he will make his base if he does not strike out.

Major Herbert knows some things
That may be useful at the Springs,
And if the voters give the sign,
The Major is apt to fall in line.

A great many persons do not believe in signs, especially in elections.

Joe White is all his name implies,
On quiet campaigning he relies,
No hot-air talks or grand-stand plays,
But unassuming, winning ways.

Which make him a very pleasant gentleman, but he will have to get out and hustle to get the votes.

For Miss McDonald there's no rhyme,
But she's a winner all the time,
No matter how the others run
Teresa is a winning one.

Without further comment.

Not within the knowledge of any American has so great a catastrophe appealed to us as San Francisco's fate. Our brothers are homeless, destitute, dying. Not a printing press in that queen of cities and citadel of trades unionism is remaining. The nation has opened its golden chest, and all that human love and charity can do is being done. The appeal for aid to our brother unionists has gone to our hearts, and we are willing and ready to give, even though it be a mite. The question is, how shall we give? The great public spirit has moved us, but as trades unionists we should give not only lavishly, but above all judiciously. It is the proud boast of trades unionists that they care for their poor and distressed. This is the time to put our boast to the test. The trades unionists must at this time care for their brothers, and the proper channel is through our organizations. Through such channels we will be assured that our contributions will reach the worthy and needy, with no strings attached to the relief.

I appeal in my feeble way to every trades unionist to give to the limit, but, as we are each affiliated with a National or an International body, send your offering through your own trusted channels. I trust that the printers will give lavishly and freely through our headquarters at Indianapolis, thus being assured that our stricken brothers are reached direct.

It is the home, the family, the life of our brother that appeals to us.

Give freely; give liberally; but give intelligently.

A pleasing incident was called to my attention during the past week. A mother, the spending member of a good-sized family, made use of a "post card" stating on it to a merchant that she was in sympathy with the printers, that her husband was a trades unionist, and requested the merchant's patronage. The reply was one of thanks, and stated that the house not only patronized an eight-hour printer, and was in sympathy with the short workday, but that he advertised in THE TRADES UNIONIST. The latter is a fact.

Thanks to our brothers and their good wives, "An injury to one is the concern of all."

Yours truly,

CAPI.

Try oyster pan roast, 10c. Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, North Capitol and G street.

DOWN TOWN BY THE WAY.

F. L. Adams is working at Terry Brothers.

The ever-busy ex-delegates are now busy saving up for the trip to Colorado Springs.

Frank Bland, who has been working at Hayworth's, put in a few days at Tom Moore's.

L. K. Adams, Horace Miller, J. P. Hunter and Harry McConvey are working at Elliott's.

H. L. McGowan, after a severe spell of illness, is again able to be out and mingle with the boys.

President Hanafin and Geo. P. Nichols, of Baltimore, were visitors at strike headquarters this week.

Clint Harrison is aiding the publishers of the *Latest News* in issuing their publication three times a day.

William Polk and Wallace Palmer, Washingtonians, promoters of publicity, are in town for a few days.

Frank C. Bates left Wednesday for Chicago, where he will attend the Inland Printer school for operators.

Candidates, smiling, of course, are to be seen every day now at headquarters. They just dropped in to see how "yo' all was gittin'" along, ye know.

S. H. Willey, the genial clerk at eight-hour headquarters, is sovereign chief of the Sons of Jonadab, and is now preparing his list of visitations to the subordinate councils of that Order.

J. L. Fechtig, one of the best-known downtown printers, who underwent a dangerous surgical operation at the Sibley Hospital a few weeks ago, is getting along nicely, and his many friends expect to see him among them soon.

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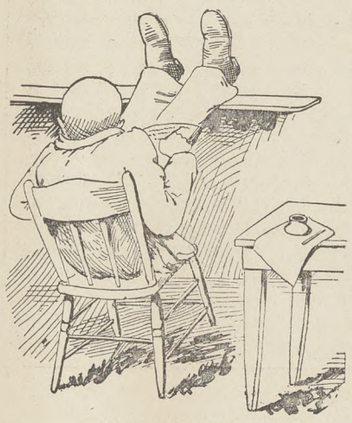

AT HOME, AFTER DINNER,
Sunday, April 22, 1906.

Conservatism, by abuse, has come to be the apologist of every known evil.

Conservatism which compromises with wrong is stultifying and cowardly. It is the ambush for self-seekers, and has too long served the purpose of deceiving the unwary.

Conservatism waits and sleeps while opportunities pass. It would put off until tomorrow or forever that which should be done to-day. It panders to the strong and implores the weak to be submissive and content.

Conservatism is meek-eyed and sanctimonious and works confidence games galore. It is an enemy of reforms that reform.

Conservatism is the dope administered by every open-shop-rat scab advocate and enemy of organized labor. It appeals only to the half-hearted or those who are easily persuaded that half a loaf is as much as they deserve.

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E. A. Tondee, long employed on Specifications, resigned on Wednesday of this week on account of impaired health.

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Jasper Waterman, of the "Spess" Proof Room, has has nearly overcome that brown taste which always accompanies a genuine case of measles.

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Some of the political wiseacres are predicting a social revolution which will have all the frills of a genuine volcano with earthquake accompaniment.

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It is indicative of a studious turn of mind to carry a book or magazine while traveling in street-cars, not necessarily for reading, but to show the bent of the individual and to give the impression of a life of leisure.

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The recurrence of spring, with the unfolding bud and blossom and the many pleasing symbols which nature offers as evidence of new life, has suggested the thought that union labor might with propriety select one from the family of flowers and adopt it as the recognized floral emblem of organized labor.

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Response to the needs of the suffering people of San Francisco came spontaneous, but the initiative measure for practical assistance was by William Randolph Hearst, who immediately dispatched train loads of provisions and supplied doctors and nurses to administer to the feeble and maimed. Organized labor recognizes Mr. Hearst as an unfailing friend, and this latest evidence of practical assistance to the destitute and suffering of San Francisco strengthens a faith that needed no further assurance.

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Street-car conductors, as a rule, are even-tempered and considerate. Occasionally, however, one assumes the airs of a brigadier and needs to be told that he would appear to better advantage by taking a good thorough course in plain every-day manners; and, too, there is the petulant passenger, who is always in a complaining mood, and who seeks a dialogue by offering some insulting remark to which the good-natured conductor most naturally takes exception. Fussy women are good at dialogues—that is, they are good at promoting and prolonging.

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E. J. Handley, who recently underwent a surgical operation at Sibley Hospital, is now convalescing at his home in Brookland. Mr. Handley's condition was at one time extremely critical, and excited serious apprehension among his many friends, who are now rejoiced at the prospects of an early recovery.

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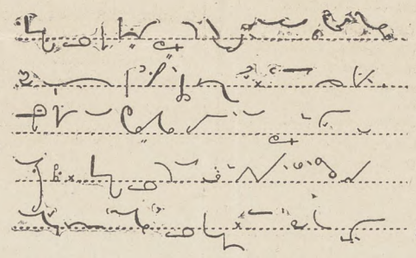

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Second Division.

Young Mr. Elder has resigned. His many friends, those who were in the habit of getting books from the library, will miss him.

Good morning! In order to be up-to-date, you should always have your "average" on straight. So our advice is, "Everybody get a gate."

A number of members of the Second Division chapel attended the banquet of the Republican Clubs of this city. All who attended reported of having a first class time. The music was good; supper better, and the intellectual feast, some of them say, was best.

The many friends of the late Chas. W. Kelly were shocked to hear of his sudden death. The writer worked with Mr. Kelly on the Spess for some time, and we know that he was a hard working industrious man—in fact, he virtually worked himself to death over there trying to keep up with the deadly average, so that when he was taken sick his broken-down constitution could not resist the dread disease. He was a kind husband and a good father and well liked by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. May he rest in peace. His wife and fatherless children have the heartfelt sympathy of all who know him.

Mr. Parsons received a well-deserved compliment Sunday week when he was nominated for the first time for president of our union without opposition. It was the first time in the memory of the writer that such a thing has happened; but Mr. Parsons certainly deserves all the honor and praise he gets for the wise and conservative manner in which he has performed the duties devolved upon him, for he has been handicapped by the courts, by injunctions, and threats of injunctions, etc. Had a down-town man of Mr. Parsons' make-up been president of our union some three or four years ago, or for the past four or five years, there is no doubt in my mind that there would be a very different state of things in the office to-day. There would be few machines out there, if any, and at least 150 more of our men would be at work to-day.

Well, now that the candidates are off, the professional "long distance hammer-throwers and knockers" will proceed to put the candidates upon fire, so to speak, and roast the "fat" out of them, as it were. Honest criticism is all right, but we should remember that slander is "the foulest whelp of sin," and should not be indulged in. Remember that there is two sides to every story, and that "half" of the truth can do untold damage. All the candidates are good union men, but some may be better fitted or endowed by nature to be delegates at this, the most critical period in the history of our organization—at a time when we need able men; men with ideas and who can express them intelligently before an audience. In our opinion Mr. F. C. Roberts is one of the best, if not the ablest, man mentioned; he is indeed a "worker from the Works"—a man who does things. He has had a union card for over twenty-five years, and has a record of which any union man has just cause to be proud. He believes in the principle of the greatest good to the greatest number. He introduced and helped to carry out many measures for the benefit of this union. He is an honest, sober, industrious man and the members of this union will make no mistake by making a cross mark opposite his name on the ballot election day and thus give the lie to the statement that workingmen, like Republics, are ungrateful. F. C. Roberts, that's all.

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Sixth Division.

John Luitich, of the Sixth Division, received word on Sunday that a younger brother, a telegraph operator, residing at Houston, Tex., had been injured by a railroad train, dying a few hours later from the injuries. At this writing no particulars are known.

According to the newspapers, Oscar J. Ricketts, former foreman of printing, has been elected a director in a new savings bank soon to be launched. The banking hours, etc., are to be arranged for the convenience of Government employes, and Mr. Ricketts' connection will undoubtedly bring to the bank a big percentage of G. P. O. depositors.

At this writing, Foreman E. A. M. Lawson, of the Third Division, is confined to his home in Langdon suffering from a severe cold and threatened with pneumonia. It has been the intention of Mr. Lawson, who is chairman of the O. J. Ricketts testimonial committee, to bring matters to a close this week, but his illness will necessitate a further postponement.

By mistake last week I said the Washington and Alexandria Railway had presented Machinist L. H. Whitham with a book containing 100 rides in consideration of his building a beautiful home along the line. The item should have read the "Falls Church line." This company always presents to builders along its line 100 or more rides with its compliments.

Prompt action on the part of Doctor Manning was undoubtedly the means of saving a life on Wednesday. While assisting to lift the heavy magazines used on the Mergenthaler machines, Edward Brooke, colored, was so exhausted from the exertion that severe heart trouble soon became manifest. He immediately retired to Doctor Manning's office where he arrived in a sinking condition, and after prompt treatment by the doctor was ordered home. Each day more fully demonstrates the wisdom of having Doctor Manning's services devoted entirely to the urgent needs of the office employes.

Its pretty hard to pick up a paper now-a-days without seeing something of Henry W. Weber, of the Proof Room, and his orchestra. Last week the orchestra gave their annual concert in Odd Fellows' Hall, which was of the highest order. On this occasion Mr. Thos. L. Jones, of the Proof Room, sang a tenor solo, and also took the tenor end of a tenor and barytone duet. On Monday the orchestra gave a concert at the Metropolitan Church and on Tuesday assisted at Gonzaga Hall. In fact it is getting to be the proper thing to have the Rebew's to make musical affairs a success. The orchestra is gradually assuming a symphony aspect, and I look forward to the day when the papers will announce in big letters, "Grand Concert by Weber's Symphony Orchestra; tickets, $2, $1 and 50 cents."

Since the inspection force has gotten into working order and in need of suitable quarters there has been a general shifting of rooms occupied by the men who guide the working affairs of the big print shop. The room which had been used by the Foreman of Printing since the occupancy of the new building is now held down by Chief Inspector Brown and his aides, while Foreman of Printing Chas. E. Young has taken up quarters in the room directly to the north previously occupied by the clerks, the latter now occupying the room formerly used for confidential purposes. The object of these changes was for official convenience and to bring the office of the inspectors into a position easy of reach by those having business there. Palms and ferns have been arranged in an artistic manner about the marble stairway and corridors, and in appearance the entrance to the G. P. O. is eclipsed by no other Government building save the Congressional Library.

If the conversation which one hears around the shop during these days of union political "activity" is an indication of anything, Mr. F. C. Roberts, candidate for I. T. U. delegate, might just as well get out his linen duster and traveling cap and prepare otherwise for a journey to Colorado Springs. It isn't so many years ago that a man who showed an unusual degree of union activity was looked upon as a sort of harmless crank, and "affectionately" referred to as a "labor skate." But times have changed, and considerably changed, too, and conscientious union workers are respected, because a labor union is looked upon by all fair-minded men as a proper thing when properly conducted. Violence in time of trouble is to be regretted, but it furnishes no more reason for placing the ban on unionism than does the act of a preacher who betrays one of his flock furnish a reason for closing up all the churches. Mr. Roberts is a union worker who believes in bringing about results through diplomacy. He is heart and soul in sympathy with the fellows who are out of work, and his best endeavors are always directed toward their relief. He is outspoken in his dealings, and fearless, but gives to his opponents the respect he himself expects. Looking at Mr. Roberts either in the light of a "labor skate" or a personal acquaintance it is hard to find a reason why he should not be sent to Colorado Springs as a delegate.

I attended the opening exhibit of the Capital Camera Club at the Corcoran Gallery on Saturday night, and among the many exhibitors found the G. P. O. to be well represented—four printers, two bookbinders, and a foundryman having exhibits on view. In printerdom the mere mention of amatuer photography will bring to mind such names as J. W. L. Dillman, of the Second; Chas. H. Leighton, of the Fifth; E. E. Richards, of the Sixth, and Samuel Soloman, of the *Record*, all of whom have specimens of their photographic skill on exhibition. Besides these there are Messrs. Wm. S. Adams and J. D. Hasson, of the Bindery, and C. O. Cunningham, of the Foundry. Of the seven pictures composing Mr. Dillman's exhibit, "A Deserted Home" is causing much comment, the work in finish giving the appearance of an etching. "A Road Scene," by Chas. H. Leighton, is worth a visit to the exhibit alone, and was reproduced in Sunday's *Times*. Taking the group as a whole, the exhibit of Mr. Richards is not exceeded by any other at the gallery. His "The Bay Shore Road" and "The Landing" are works of exceptional merit. Sammy Soloman's exhibit consists of but two pictures, both of which compare favorably with the best on exhibition. It is also true of the other G. P. O. gentlemen. I have always maintained that under the roof of the G. P. O. can be found more men and women versed in the arts—music, literature, science, medicine, law—more philanthropists, according to their means, than can be found in any other Department of the Government, and the organization of such a club as the above is bringing to light the printer talent. May its good work continue.

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An item in my notes of a week or so ago relative to veteran printers now employed in the G. P. O. has brought to me information along that line which I am sure will be of interest to the craft in general, and especially those employed in the big shop.

Working away at the daily task of a printer in the First Division a veteran printer, Mr. J. T. Alleger, does his stunt, who, in point of age, has seven years to the good over the alloted three score and ten.

Mr. Alleger came to the nation's capital in 1851, and began his printing career on the *Union*, at that time President Polk's official organ. Working beside him at the case was another gentleman recently connected with the G. P. O., ex-Foreman Elliott of the Foundry. Mr. Alleger was then a member of the old Columbia Typographical Society. The office of the *Union* was in the Lawrence Hotel, the site now occupied by the *Times* building. The scale was $2 per day for ten hours, or 40 cents per 1,000, and the ordinary piece hand could earn close onto $4 per day.

In the possession of Mr. Alleger is a copy of the *Congressional Globe*, dated March 26, 1850, and published by John C. Rives, at the small sum of $3 per session. Typographically, the *Globe* is unique in appearance. It contains sixteen pages, the first page beginning even and the last page ending likewise. By glancing over the contents of the old sheet I have discovered that the statesmen of other days were not entirely satisfied with printing conditions under the contract system, and it was this dissatisfaction that later led to the establishment of the present G. P. O.

In a speech on printing affairs, Mr. Benton, of Missouri, said in part: "We all know that our public printing is not executed properly. * * * If this had been a short instead of a long session, we should have adjourned before we had obtained any of the large documents."

The Government Printing Office resulted from an abominable contract system. It was established to enable the various Departments and Congress to have their printing done properly and with dispatch, and it has more than fulfilled the fondest dream of those who aided in its establishment, and if those gentlemen who would like to take away from it the printing of the *Official Gazette* and other work were given a good dose of contract work for a year or so I think at the end of that time on their bended knees they would implore the G. P. O. to take back their work and forgive them for their past foolish presumptions.

Mr. Alleger is but one of several printers now employed in the G. P. O. whose labors on Government work go back forty and fifty years and more, and who to-day are "just as young as they used to be." I don't see why the "old boys" don't get together some night at a banquet and talk it over. For one I would like to attend.

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TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 722 Sixth street northeast.

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Columbia Lodge, in honor of its fifteenth anniversary, gave an interesting entertainment to its members and friends Friday evening last. It was an occasion long to be remembered by the fifteen hundred persons present. The program was an interesting one and was appreciated by all present. The committee deserve great praise for the manner in which they conducted the entertainment.

The sad catastrophe on the U. S. S. *Kearsarge*, in which two naval officers and several seamen lost their lives, should be a warning to the Government. Rigid rules should be enforced not only in firing the great guns but in handling the powder charges. When it is considered the small space in which these men are packed during the firing process it is simply wonderful how one man escaped. It is an accident that is to be deplored, one which in my judgment should have been avoided.

Mrs. A. S. Gitterman, who is doing such a noble work in advancing legislation under the auspices of The Public Education Association, accompanied by her secretary, Miss Blaine, was a welcome visitor to Columbia Lodge last week. Her purpose in visiting the Lodge was to enlist the support of its members, many of whom command strong Congressional influence, in the great and good work in which the Association is engaged. The manner in which she was received was ample proof that the boys of Columbia Lodge were in unison with the speaker. There is a warm spot in the hearts of our lads for Mrs. Gitterman.

The following letter has been received from the mother of our deceased brother, Edward P. Buckley, and fully explain, by its tender expressions, the kind feeling toward his shopmates. It is only such as a Christian mother could write:

ELMIRA, N. Y., *April 15, 1906.*

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DEAR SIR:—Permit me to extend to you and the employes of East Gun Carriage Shop my most sincere appreciation of your thoughtfulness and kind expressions on the death of my dear son. It is a consolation to know the esteem in which he was held by his shopmates and supervising force alike. I earnestly pray that God may bless your good work and reward you all for your kindness to him.

Very sincerely,
JULIA C. BUCKLEY.

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Columbia Lodge, I. A. of M., on Wednesday last, at its regular meeting, unanimously appropriated one hundred dollars for the sufferers in stricken California. It is a pleasant thought that a body of organized wage-earners were the first in this city to open their treasury in the cause of humanity. Let organized labor do its duty, as no doubt it will, and the evidence will have presented itself to the people of the District, if not to the courts, that organized labor stands for the uplifting of humanity, for the protection of the homeless, and the advancement of mankind generally. Let us prove to the world that we are humanitarians, and not anarchists, as some of the courts would have us believe.

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On Thursday evening last Naval Lodge, F. A. A. M., received the grand master and other officers of the Grand Lodge of this jurisdiction. After several musical numbers had been rendered the chairman of the entertainment committee introduced as the orator of the evening, Brother William Sulzer, representative in Congress from New York.

The subject of his address was operative and speculative masonry. In his preliminary remarks he said that he was glad to be with the brethren of old Naval Lodge, and only too sorry that he could not stay until the meeting closed.

He said he was one of the associate editors of one of the greatest labor periodicals in existence (*The Congressional Record*), which must go to press not later than midnight. Brother Sulzer, in a rapid, but eloquent manner, carried his audience from the building of King Solomon's temple by operative masons down to the present time, when speculative masons are not only building character but spreading the cement of love and affection.

His description of the great calamity on the Pacific Slope was not only pathetic, but intense in character. His address throughout was a masterful argument, which was enjoyed by all present.

After he had concluded his address, Bro. George C Gertmann stepped forward, and addressing Brother Sulzer, said:

Sir and Brother: We have all enjoyed the admirable address of the evening. From the formation of Naval Lodge it has been the custom on such an occasion as this to present to the orator a token of our gratitude—not for its intrinsic value, but as a memento of the occasion. Accept this token, sir, with the best wishes of Naval Lodge.

Stepping forward he handed Brother Sulzer a green plush box, which, on being opened, disclosed a beautiful pair of military brushes.

In response, Brother Sulzer said:

Brother, when you handed me the box of green I was wondering whether it was "long green" or not, but as soon as I opened it all such thoughts were "brushed" aside. It has been my custom through life never to receive a present for duty performed, no matter as regards its character, and I feel that I should refuse this beautiful token were it not for the fact that I would be the first to break your old honored custom. I thank you one and all, and promise you to-night that at an early date I will visit you again and earn what I have received to-night.

I am going to tell you some of the things that have happened to me since I became a member of the House, if there are no reporters present, as I would not like what I am going to say being printed.

You all know that it is a serious matter to talk too much in these days of injunctions. I might be tempted next Congress to be a candidate for Speakership were it not for the fact that one of our learned judges might grant an injunction because I represent a labor district. I have had worse things than that happen to me.

Some time ago a bridal couple from New York were being shown through the Capitol by one of the guides. While in the gallery the bride requested the guide to point out the prominent people in the hall below.

"Well," said the guide, "that old fellow sitting on the platform is Joe Cannon, the boss; that old man with Rip Van Winkle whiskers is Grosvenor, of Ohio, and that little fellow with a crink in his neck is Dalzell, of Pennsylvania. Cannon is the Czar, the other two are the Grand Dukes. They are the only men of importance; the others simply do as they are told by the Czar."

"But where is Sulzer?" asked the bride.

"There he is now, just coming in the door."

The lady, after a careful scrutiny, turned to the guide, and said:

"I guess you have made a mistake; that fellow is a 'Mick,' and I know Sulzer is a Jew."

Now would'nt that jar any one, when you know both of your parents were French.

Another time a guide was showing a party through the Capitol and was explaining the maps of the different countries.

"You have named them all," said one of the visitors, except one. "Where is the map of Ireland?"

Unfortunately I had to pass at that moment, when the guide turned, and pointing to me, said: "There it is in reality."

Next day I took that young man in the cloak room and read to him from the Scripture the sad end of Ananias, and warned him in a fatherly way as to what might happen to him if he persisted in telling the truth.

Now, I see my old friend, Tim Tickle, taking notes, and for fear he may quote me in THE TRADES UNIONIST, I bid you all good night.

TIM TICKLE.

BROCKWELL'S BITS.

Keep your eyes open for unfair publications. Don't furnish the enemy with ammunition.

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Some one has suggested that a cargo of Carnegie hero medals will be due in San Francisco when the situation has cleared up. Yes; and it is also painfully apparent that the damphool brigade are working overtime in that afflicted city.

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I am told that John L. Kennedy is soon to start a weekly paper here in Washington, to be called *The Standard*, which will treat of men and things. I hope it is so. for there are a number of "things" hereabouts that I certainly would like to see receive the John L. Kennedy treatment.

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For genuine wit and timely hit the editorial paragraphs in the Washington *Post* are at the top. Messrs. Hunter and Ottinger are a team whose equal I have never known in that line. To my sluggish intellect it is well-nigh marvelous how one or two men can produce so much of such a high character every day in the week.

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It is what might be called one of the humors of the eight-hour agitation that *Tom Watson's Magazine* is on the list of unfair publications sent out by New York Union. It is not always safe to trust those who howl loudest for the "plain peepul," where the granting of a little better pay and somewhat improved working conditions are involved.

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Theodore Willis, dropped from the *Record* force some weeks ago, has returned to his home in St. Louis. During his short stay in Washington he made a number of friends who regretted that he was among the unfortunate extras who had to be let out on account of a shortness of work. I am glad to learn that his prospects in St. Louis are good.

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George Hayden is an insistent cuss, likewise a persistent, also a consistent. He tells me that he will capture 99 per cent of the printer-farmer voters, many of whom he says live in his own sweet sunny Alexandria county. Listen to him: "The potato diggers are mine, the hay makers I own, and the alfalfa raisers stand like a solid wall to back my claims!"

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Men and Women, the Cincinnati publication which persists in being unfair, is getting an idea of what real men and women of the unions can do when they conclude to put the spurious article out of business. It had to leave home to get out its last number, some Chicago rodent firm doing the work. Unless it can see the error (it has already felt the terror) of its way, I trust it has indeed gotten out its "last" number.

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Don't be too hard on the "statesman" who talks about how cheaply he can hire printers (or other skilled workers). He is often the victim of ignorance. Let us try education on him. Heaven knows he needs it, and we have lots of the kind that may do him great good. A soft answer doubtless turns away wrath, and it is also true that a bit of properly applied information often turns our enemies into lasting friends.

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George Merriam tells me that he has had a line from his late desk mate, Thomas J. McDonough, one of the extras dropped two or three weeks since. He went to Chicago, and he has succeeded in finding employment. This I am delighted to hear, and I am sure that those who knew him here will join me in wishing him much good luck. He has been an extra at The Works for two or three winters past, coming here originally, I believe, from Philadelphia. In addition to being an excellent gentleman and a companionable man, Tom is of the true-blue variety of unionists.

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"The address of Mr. F. C. Roberts was a gem," says a North Carolina paper, referring to a meeting of strikers and their friends at High Point, "and during his recital of the death of the miner's child many people wept." Made 'em weep, eh? That's nothing for Funny to do. When he orates to Columbia Union about the "grimy-faced miner who goes down into the bowels of the earth and brings up the glittering black diamonds that the double-jowled plutocrats may have heat and light," the faithful are generally caused to at least loudly howl; and before the present campaign for Union officers closes he is liable to make lots of 'em fiercely scream.

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

Resolutions Adopted Denouncing Arrest of W. F. of M. Officials.

BREWERY WORKERS ON STRIKE

Armat Motion Picture Co. Case Goes to Grievance Committee—Labor Day Outing to be Held at Luna Park—Suffrage Meeting Next Tuesday Night.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order, at 8 p. m., on Monday, by President Adams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, and after correction as to the donation to San Francisco sufferers being $100 instead of $50, were approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Bakery Wagon Drivers, No. 33: H. H. Hummer.

Interior Marble Cutters, No. 5: F. Nelson, D. McGuire, D. Hartnet, I. Slingman.

Bill for Legislative Delegate read and ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Hod Carriers' Union, No. 21, asking for report from Organization Committee on matter sent to it by this body. Referred to Organization Committee.

From Kalamazoo Trades and Labor Assembly asking for moral support in aid of Kalamazoo Typographical Union in its fight against the open shop. Referred to Allied Printing Trades Council.

From Building Laborers' Union, No. 46, asking for information regarding the differences between that organization and the Master Stone Cutters' Association. Referred to Organization Committee.

From American Federation of Labor, giving notice of arrearage for per capita tax. Referred to Financial Secretary.

From International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, asking for assistance in fighting "open shop" conditions. Placed on file.

From the following Unions, indorsing Central Labor Union's action in placing Schondau & Lynch, Bowers & Daly, Mudd & Brown, and Richard Collins on the unfair list:

Bartenders' League, No. 75.
Horseshoers' Union, No. 17.
Columbia Lodge of Machinists.
Butcher Workmen, No. 148. Fine, $5.
Stone and Marble Cutters.
Teamsters, No. 372.
Washington Lodge of Machinists.
Paperhangers' Union, No. 420.
Brewery Workers, No. 118.
Stone Laborers, No. 46.

From Carpet Mechanics' Union, No. 1, stating that as far as possible they would give their patronage to Golden & Co., Kernan's Theater, and Dave Wolf, and prohibit the use of the unfair cigars sold by O'Donnell Drug Co.

From Plumbers' Union, No. 5, asking that P. J. Nee Co. be placed on the unfair list. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Beer Drivers' and Stablemen Union, No. 234, asking that the Anheuser-Busch Brewing Co., Pabst Brewing Co., and Schlitz Brewing Co. be placed on the unfair list. Referred to the Grievance Committee.

The Secretary presented a contract from Armat Motion Picture Co., which was referred to the Grievance Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Grievance Committee reported progress.

Legislative Delegate DeNedrey reported progress on various matters pending before Congress.

Labor Day Committee reported on Luna Park contract, and were given power to sign same. The Secretary was also directed to invite President Samuel Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, to deliver the address on that occasion.

On motion, the Contract Committee was discharged, and the following were appointed as a new committee: Delegates Considine, Fields, Barrett, Ring, and Sherier.

The special committee on Suffrage League of the District of Columbia reported at length. The committee recommended that a hall be secured for Tuesday evening, May 8, and asked for an appropriation of $10 for that purpose. The report of the committee was concurred in.

The special committee to visit certain stores in the city in the interest of Retail Clerks' Union reported that satisfactory interviews had been had with merchants of the city with the exception of Chery, Moran & Co.; that while Mr. Moran was very courteous to the committee, he stated that he would not ask any of his clerks to join the Union, but the committee had perfect freedom to talk with the clerks. The clerks flatly refused to have anything to do with the Union, one in particular being insulting in his manner, saying "the Union was crooked, the labor movement in general was bad, and did not want to associate himself with an organization wherein a lot of dirty Jews took part." Report received and adopted.

The committee appointed at the last meeting to prepare suitable resolutions on recent arrest of officers of Western Federation of Miners presented the following resolutions:

Whereas it has come to our knowledge that the governor of Colorado has, without hearing of any kind, consented to certain citizens of the State of Colorado, namely, Charles H. Moyer, William D. Haywood, and George A. Pettibone, being forcibly taken into the State of Idaho; that they were arrested in the dead of night, taken into custody by the Idaho authorities, put on a special train, carried from their home State to a foreign State, and there lodged in prison without the opportunity of communicating with each other, their families, friends, or counsel; and

Whereas it is our opinion that the arrest and illegal deportation of these citizens is unconstitutional and contrary to all criminal procedure, inasmuch as a preliminary hearing and writ of habeas corpus was denied them; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Central Labor Union of Washington, District of Columbia, vigorously protests against the illegal and unwarranted proceeding on the part of the governors of Colorado and Idaho; and, as law-abiding citizens of the United States, we demand that the said Charles H. Moyer, William D. Haywood, and George A. Pettibone be returned to the State of Idaho, from whence they were abducted, and, as citizens of that State, be accorded the preliminary hearing to which they are constitutionally entitled; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Central Labor Union be instructed to forward copies of this resolution to Governor McDonald, of Colorado, and Governor Gooding, of Idaho.

(Signed.) CHAS. W. WINSLOW,
R. J. FIELDS,
MILFORD SPOHN,
M. SNELLINGS,
D. W. SKELLINGER,
Committee.

The resolutions were indorsed.

The special committee to visit furniture dealers in the city and ascertain if any of them were dealing with factories at High Point, N. C., where a lockout is now on, reported that no firms in this city were handling any of the product from that city. Report received and adopted.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Amalgamated Carpenters: Asked Contract Committee to renew contract with Cabin John Bridge resort.

Beer Drivers and Stablemen: Reported that a new contract had been presented representatives of Western breweries, who had refused to sign the same.

Bricklayers: Delegate Spohn stated that a request had been made of the Legislative Committee to draft a law for presentation to Congress similar to the employers' liability law now on the statute books of New York State, and that as the committee failed to meet for organization he moved that the committee be discharged. The motion was adopted and the Legislative Committee was discharged.

Marble Workers, No. 5: Requested that the secretary write Evans Marble Co., Baltimore, Md., and request that they endeavor to have a settlement with International Association of Marble Workers.

Plumbers: Delegate Barrett made a lengthy report on strike situation, and predicted that the settlement was but a matter of a few weeks' time.

Sheet Metal Workers: That they would probably have a grievance to present against the Randall Steamboat Co.

Tile Layers' Helpers: That they had made a request for an advance in wages on May 1, but had been refused, and that they would go out; also that Tile Layers' Union, No. 2, had refused to assist them.

Inquiry being made by the Luna Park Co. as to whether the Penn Printing Co., of Philadelphia, was a label office, the delegates from Columbia Typographical Union were requested to furnish the desired information.

The secretary here stated that the room assigned to the Central Body in Typographical Temple was not always at its disposal. The President and Delegate Ring were directed to see the agent of the building and report on the matter at next meeting.

Columbia Typographical Union.

ELECTION INSTRUCTIONS.

The election of local and International officers will take place Wednesday, May 16, and the hours for voting will be as follows:

Day chapels, between the hours of 12 and 5 o'clock p. m.

Night chapels, between the hours of 3 and 6 a. m.

Secretary's chapel, between the hours of 3 and 6 p. m.

It is only necessary, however, to keep polls open long enough to receive all ballots in the chapel, which is left to the discretion of chapels.

In day chapels, where it is not convenient to count the vote after the polls have closed, the boards are directed to seal the boxes and convey them to the Temple, where the vote can be counted.

Night chapels will proceed as directed by the Constitution in regard to counting the vote.

JOHN R. BERG,
President.

For San Francisco Sufferers.

The fund for aid of printers in San Francisco, taken up by direction of Columbia Typographical Union, has reach about $1,400, the G. P. O. and its branches by chapels contributing the sum of $1,200 or more and Secretary Seibold to date has received $183.90 from down town chapels and individual subscriptions. Next week we will publish a detailed list of subscriptions.

Plate Printers' Convention.

The fourteenth annual convention of the International Steel and Copper Plate Printers' Union will be held in Washington, beginning Monday, June 18, and will close, June 23, with a banquet tendered the delegates by Local No. 2, of this city, at the Washington Light Infantry Armory.

The following members of Local No. 2 have been appointed on the Arrangement Committee: J. P. Murphy, Chairman; J. C. Spencer, Secretary-Treasurer; Wm. Doyle, J. A. Hardie, Wm. McCauley, G. Rousseau, and J. Rosenbaum.

The committee reports everything is shaping nicely for the transaction of business and the entertainment of the delegates.

Suffrage Meeting.

A meeting will be held in the interest of suffrage at Costello's Hall next Tuesday night. Members of the different trade organizations should attend and give strength to the movement—a movement every good trade unionist should take great interest in. He will be told why living in the District is higher than in most any city in the country, and further instructed how and by whom the right to vote in the District has been thwarted in former efforts, and how he can be successful at this time in having a voice in the government of his city.

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SUFFRAGE FOR THE DISTRICT

Sentiment Growing Strong in Favor of the Elective Franchise.

PLEA MADE FOR ORGANIZATION

The District of Columbia Compared with Other Territories — The Municipality Bears too Great a Share of the Burden—Facts and Figures Advanced.

By Dr. THACKER E. LEE.

In the light of recent events—such as the question of extension of streets; the pleading for just increase of pay for school teachers, policemen and firemen; the failure to observe the principle of home rule as applied to this District—the citizen, or rather resident, is impelled to wonder if the apparently anomalous and obviously unjust relation at present existing concerning form and practice of government, financial support or nonsupport, etc., between the nation and its capital will be permitted to continue uninterruptedly, indefinitely. This question is of vital importance to every permanent, and somewhat important to every temporary, dweller within the borders of this District; important to the permanent residents because it most directly concerns them and to the others because there is a tendency on the part of the States to take the right of franchise away from those of their citizens who choose or find it necessary to reside in the District of Columbia even temporarily. Some States have already taken this step. Is this District a "Sovereign Anything?"

An editorial in a recent issue of the *Evening Star* called it an "American State of 300,000 people," and stated further, "No administration of the District affairs on national lines is wise, just, or defensible which does not take into account its peculiar unrepresented condition and which does not seek to ascertain by indirect means and to enforce that public sentiment concerning its officials and government, which in the ordinary American community is expressed at the polls."

Is it to all intents and purposes a Territory? Hawaii is, and Porto Rico practically is blessed with a Territorial form of government, and even the natives of distant and small Samoa are clamoring for the high privileges of governing themselves along similar lines, to say nothing of the Filipinos. The District has nothing to indicate a Territorial government. Is it a Government reservation? If so, then that is another story.

The District of Columbia is of inestimable value to the nation as a medium in which all governmental affairs—executive, judicial, legislative, and foreign—are planned and executed.

We might here enumerate some of the many important features in the affairs of the District requiring the expenditures of money that may be justly said to be of direct benefit to the National Government: The opening of streets, the cost of improving and maintaining same, some of which are direct avenues of approach and communication with important Government buildings—notably Connecticut avenue extended, with the new Bureau of Standards; Wisconsin avenue, with the Naval Observatory; New Hampshire avenue extended, with the Soldiers' Home and the National Cemetery contained in the grounds thereof; the filtration plant, which will supply all Government buildings as well as the houses of all permanent residents with drinkable water. One-half of the cost of such improvements is always charged to the taxpayers of the District.

The Metropolitan Police Force has not less than one-fifth of its whole number detailed to safeguard the President and the White House. Another fifth is more or less always detailed to maintain order on state occasions at the residences of cabinet officers and those of foreign ambassadors and ministers. Still the 300,000 residents—or rather 220,000, for not more than that proportion are bona fide tax-paying citizens — must annually pay one-half the cost of maintaining this very efficient, but comparatively small force. The Fire Department may very properly be included, for it is the only safeguard against destruction by fire of the magnificent Government buildings, including the White House, the Capitol, and the great and beautiful Library of Congress; the immense gun factory and Navy Yard, the Army War College and nearby forts. Yet again one-half its expenses—not one dollar less—must be ground out of the pockets of the aforesaid 220,000 citizens.

The public schools might be mentioned, which serve to educate, in no mean fashion, the children of the Government officials and their employes, who, while so employed, retain their rights of citizenship and pay their taxes in their home States. Then there are our hospitals and other charitable institutions that always contain a considerable number—at least one-third—of nonresidents of the District, depending upon its taxpayers for just one-half the cost of their support

Referring back to the question, "Is it a Government reservation?" the Constitution of the United States says that Congress shall have the right to exercise exclusive legislation in all cases whatsoever over such District (not exceeding 10 miles square), as may by cession of particular States and acceptance of Congress become the seat of government of the United States and to exercise like authority over all places purchased by the consent of the legislatures of States in which the same shall be for the erection of forts, magazines and arsenals, dock-yards, and other needful buildings; to make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for the carrying into execution the foregoing powers; but the Constitution does not in any part of it say that the citizens thereof shall not have representation in nor in any manner participate in said exclusive legislation by Congress.

In reading the above clause of the Constitution one can not help seeing it was the intent in the act of the framers of that document that all Government reservations wheresoever situated shall be governed in such manner as Congress shall elect. It was clearly not their intent to make political serfs of those residing thereon. If this District is to be included as and considered by the nation a mere Government reservation, then Congress, which is so liberal to the Army, Navy, and civil establishments, should appropriate bountifully from the national funds all the expense of maintaining the nation's capital; all taxes and revenues of whatsoever nature levied in the District would be turned into the United States Treasury, as in the case of the postal service. These revenues and taxes amount to a very good sum. Deficiencies should also be met by Congress from national funds.

From 1862 to 1898 the District paid into the United States Treasury $7,687,000 in internal revenue taxes, and in the ten years prior to 1898 $519,000 in customs taxes, which, taken together, was more than the amount paid during the same period by several States combined. The local property taxation annually amounts to at least $4,000,000 and upward. It is hoped, however, that it will not be considered and continued a mere inanimate reservation, but that it may be permitted to become what it should be—a throbbing, living part of the national body politic.

Under present conditions residents of many Government reservations situated in States have unabridged their full rights of citizenship, while those of this, the greatest of all "Government reservations," are condemned to be perpetually absolute political nonentities. The argument always advanced by those opposed to the granting of political rights to the inhabitants of the national capital is, "But the general Government pays half the expenses." Sorry argument, indeed, in the unprecedented spectacle of something belonging to 80,000,000 of people yet only 300,000 of them being compelled to pay annually one-half of all the expenses of this something owned, used, and enjoyed by eighty millions. Does this treatment of a part of our citizens savor of boasted American justice? Any schoolboy would answer in the negative.

What is needed by this community if the present financial arrangement is to be adhered to is representation in the Congress, say by two Senators and one Representative. Surely if Nevada can have that number this District, which has quite five times as many inhabitants, is entitled to as many. One of the three Commissioners should be elected by popular vote, the other two appointed by the President; or if Congress should decide on five Commissioners, as has been suggested, two of them should be elected by the people, the other three appointed by the President, as at present. Thus with two Senators in the Senate, a Representative in the House, and two of the five Commissioners directly responsible to the people, we would have a near approach to the best city government on earth. Such is claimed for it now, but no Government in this country, local, State or national, can be ideal in which the people have no voice.

The late President McKinley, at the White House, stated to a committee of which the writer was one, that he—McKinley—did not know of any citizens of any community in this country better fitted for full rights of citizenship than those of the District of Columbia, and that personally he favored their having it.

There is apparently considerable sentiment in favor of some minor qualification — educational, for example — in the event of citizenship rights being granted by Congress and the nation. The ownership of property and the payment of taxes should not have so much weight, for the people who pay rent pay taxes indirectly. The only people in the District who do not desire some form of representative government are the office-holders who vote in their own States; the transient visitors from other parts of the country, who see the beauties of the capital, and imagine that the National Government pays for all. The District Committees of the Senate and House are in opposition because their useful prerogatives in such event might be interfered with.

That the capital has grown in size and beauty in the past thirty years no one can deny, but its growth has not been what it should be in proportion to its national importance and the phenomenal growth of the country as a whole. For example, the principal street leading from the White House—Sixteenth street—has many small frame shacks that were there in 1868, and these only a few blocks away; Pennsylvania avenue, the principal thoroughfare, and naturally one of the finest streets in the country, has dilapidated structures that disgrace it on its entire length. The alley habitations of the city are a national disgrace.

In 1898, at a hearing before the District Committee of the House of Representatives, Mr. M. I. Weller, a prominent citizen, denied that the progress of the national capital had been due to the present form of government, which he described as unAmerican. He believed that more progress would have been made under a municipal form of government. "Under that condition," he said, "there would not have been that discrimination which has been practiced against those sections of the city where the poorer classes live." He said "there would not be sections in East Washington where the poor man can not have a brick sidewalk, while in the rich Northwest asphalt streets are being laid." "If there were a suffrage form of Government these discriminations would be prevented," he said, "because the people would have the choosing of the officials." At this hearing other citizens spoke in a similar vein. The subject was, however, pigeonholed by the committee.

It is very easy to find the cause of this retarded growth in the high rate of taxation causing absence of industrial enterprises, the diverting of what should be purely municipal funds to defray expenses that are legitimate obligations of the National Government to its capital.

In the past thirty or forty years the citizens of the District have had no abler champion of their cause than Mr. William C. Dodge, who has worked and written unceasingly in their behalf. He has also appeared before committees of the Senate and House at various times in advocacy of their rights. In an address to the Committee on Privileges and Elections of the Senate, in 1888, he said in part:

"The records show that when the capital was located here, in 1790, the original proprietors deeded the entire tract to the trustees for the benefit of the United States, with the agreement that the Commissioners appointed by President Washington, under authority of Congress, should locate the future capital and lay out the city as they saw fit for the use and benefit of the nation and the resident citizens.

"It was further agreed that the land should be divided as follows: The Government to take what it needed for streets, avenues, and alleys as a free gift, and that amounted to 3,604 acres, or 54 per cent of the entire area of the city. It was to select what it choose for public reservations—sites for public buildings, and so forth — and pay therefor £25 per acre. For this purpose it took 541 acres, but as this was paid for out of the proceeds of the lots donated to the Government by the citizens, it was also, in effect, a gift to the Government by the citizens. The balance of the land, amounting to 3,016 acres, was laid out into lots, and divided equally between the Government and original owners, each receiving 10,136 lots, chosen alternately by the Government and the original owners.

"It will thus be seen that of the 7,161 acres, embraced within the city limits, 5,653, or more than five-sevenths of the whole, were a free gift from the citizens to the United States Government.

Mr. Dodge proceeded to show that "the Government did not open or improve the streets, as was expected, and the consequence was the citizens had to do it themselves. As shown by a Senate Report of the Twenty-Third Congress, up to 1835, the citizens had expended for this purpose $430,000, while the General Government had expended but $209,000; and at that time there were but 20,000 inhabitants, of whom 7,000 were slaves and free colored. As stated in that report the only fault to be found with the citizens was that 'they had assumed burdens and incurred expenses which did not properly belong to them, but to the General Government.'"

Again, by a report of the Secretary of the Treasury, in answer to a resolution of the Senate of April 29, 1878, showing all the moneys expended by the United States Government in the District from July 16, 1790, to June 30, 1876, it is shown that the whole amount expended by the General Government for city improvements, including bridges across the Potomac, and everything, was less than $6,000,000, while during the same time the citizens had expended $20,000,000 for the same purpose, besides about $25,000,000 more for local government, and that, too, while the General Government owned more than one-half of all the property in the District on which it had never paid a cent of taxes, nor had it borne any portion of the expenses of the local government.

Mr. Dodge also said: "Their military record is not surpassed, if equalled by that of the same number of citizens in any other section of the Union. In the war of 1812 and again in the Mexican war they furnished their full proportion of volunteers, and among the names famous for gallantry and bravery in the Mexican war are those of citizens of the District. In the civil war the very first volunteers enrolled in the service of the United States were citizens of the District. "No bounty was ever paid here for volunteers."

It is really astonishing that a great number of the people in the States do not know just what the political condition of the people of the District is. The fact is they do not trouble themselves about the matter.

It is earnestly hoped that our countrymen, including especially those of them who have the honor to serve in the Congress, may soon awaken to the very great injustice of this political discrimination against and what really amounts to financial oppression of these 300,000 Americans, than whom there are none more loyal in peace or stress of war.

"The sods of Arlington will grow greener when the graves of the twelve thousand Union soldiers buried there no longer look down upon a quarter of a million disfranchised American citizens! The flowers of Mount Vernon shall bloom with a sweeter fragrance when the inhabitants of the city bearing the name of Washington are no longer deprived of that dearest of all boons—the right to govern themselves."

Structural Building Trades.

At the last meeting of the Structural Building Trades Alliance the secretary was instructed to forward $100 to San Francisco.

The sum of $100 was also appropriated to the locked-out plumbers of this city.

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Labor Unions and Their Enemies.

FIRST PAPER.

The contest which labor people have carried on for so many years has been called a war, and there is no word in the language which so aptly describes labor's contention. When the contest began labor people were serfs and slaves. The ruling and privileged classes were against them, the law was against them, and every advance they have made has been in the teeth of the law and in the face of an opposition which has been determined to oppose any change in the relations of masters and servants, a phrase which the law has held to most tenaciously, and which is being gradually changed to employer and employee. But whatever the name the things are the same, and masters or employers are as determined as ever that the demands of labor shall not be acceded to, or the rights of servants or employes be advanced.

The war has been carried on because the labor people are men, having the same ambitions for advancement that have marked the individuals of the master class. They have known and felt that matters are not right among the peoples of the earth, and they have sought to improve them. Everywhere and at all times the efforts of labor people to improve their condition has been opposed by every means in the power of the masters, even to enactments of laws and the use of armed forces. The contest has been a war in fact as well as in theory.

It is seldom, indeed, that justice is ever done to the weak, or that power is shared by those possessing it with those who have not possessed it. The revolutions of the past century have proved this. Never has tyrranical power, or any power, yielded to justice; those entitled to greater liberty and to the enjoyment of the goods of this world have never been able to obtain even a portion of their rights unless they have been strong enough to take it, or to cause great injury to those withholding it. Justice has been of no force in controlling the actions of those having the power to oppress their fellow men either politically or socially.

The consequence has been that labor people were put in the position of enforcing their demands. The laws were against them, and they had to force the laws. The courts, under the influence of the masters, upheld the one-sided laws, and if they were insufficient they went back even hundreds of years, as they did in upholding the law of conspiracy against labor people, usurping jurisdiction and bending the law to suit the purposes of the masters. And though they never have failed to take advantage of the things their possession of power gave them, they have ever sought to make it appear that the labor people were the disturbers of the peace, the offenders against the law, and conspirators to overthrow it. They were in favor of peace, their peace, the robbers' peace, which enabled them successfully to exploit the labor of their fellows, and to add to their fortunes, and even to their future fortunes by what they called vested rights. Such a robber peace they have had in Russia, which even the robbers in other lands have pharisaically denounced. But they are like the doughfaces of the North in abolition days who were in favor of freedom—

"As far away as Payris is"—

but set their faces, hard as flint or tempered steel, against the demands of labor people in their own land.

The war for labor's rights is still on, and let us hope that it will continue until all the rights of every human being in this world will not only be conceded but be upheld by a body of labor men, wise, strong, and full of courage to maintain them.

FIDELIS.

QUADS AND SPACES.

Over indulgence in hot air is sometimes a sign of cold feet.

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The man with the pull doesn't like the muck rake because it is all I-teeth.

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It is not unlikely to be the cheerful husband who makes gloomy jokes about the bad one.

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Brockwell's Bits were rather enjoyable with the exception of the inspired *jeu d'esprit* about Roberts.

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The glad hand and the perfunctory smile are not being overworked in the delegatorial contest this spring.

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Strikes of miners oft repeated
Should remind both young and old
That next winter we'll keep heated
If this summer we get coaled.

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The terms "conservatism" and "radical" have been worked overtime and should be laid off until after election.

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The nurseryman is now busy in the nursery, and the man with the hoe is in the garden patch patching up the hosiery.

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If you are out for political excitement climb onto Hayden's band wagon and hear orator Anglin descant on the merits of his hustling chief.

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If you don't like to hear a man
On labor's wrongs orate,
And have no time for argument,
Call him "a labor skate."

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A spring poetess sends in a poem commencing, "Oh, kiss me once ere I I pass away!" That is just what the poet geezer would like to do, Melpomene, but how do you expect him to kiss you without an introduction. Like the rest of your poetical sisters you tantalize him with visions of ecstatic love which cannot be realized. He frequently receives invitations like these: "Oh, smile once more upon me," "Take my little hand in thine, love," "Meet me where the soda fountain snizzles," "Set the ice cream plate before me, love." And yet he still has to get along as best he may with a plain every day maiden who never wrote a line of poetry in her life and hasn't begun to think about passing away yet.

WILLIAM TIPTON TALBOTT.

The Caleb Powers Case.

Circulars soliciting aid for Caleb Powers, the young Kentucky politician, are being mailed to many employees of the Government Printing Office and other departments here.

It is stated that Powers was elected and installed as Secretary of the State of Kentucky six years ago for a four-year term, but by reason of the trouble growing out of the contest for the State offices at that time, he was deprived of his office after a brief service, arrested and imprisoned, and has since had a number of trials and hearings in the State and Federal courts. He is now resting under a sentence of death.

It is understood that the money raised here will be sent to Powers for the purpose of assisting him to defray the court costs of his next trial, a rehearing having been ordered by the State Supreme Court because of alleged irregularities on the part of the lower court officials.

Mr. Clarence F. Norment, president of the Central National Bank, is receiving the contributions at the request of the committee having the matter in charge, and it is stated that to all who send their names and addresses with their contributions, Mr. Powers will send personal acknowledgments.

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AFTER DINNER DILATIONS.

AT HOME, AFTER DINNER,
April 29, 1906.

Precedent sometimes serves as a dangerous subterfuge.

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A great reform has been instituted if the vocation of "down-the-liner" has been terminated.

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The porcelain-lined drinking-cups have arrived and are big enough to satisfy the normal thirst.

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It is on circus day that the father is not too tired or too busy to spend an hour or so with the children.

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The recording angel notes the widow's mite, while the bigger subscriptions are made prominent by newspaper display.

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This is especially the time when tried and true men should be placed on guard and when a trip to Colorado should mean more than a frivolous frolic across the continent.

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The rat printer doubtless experienced a sense of relief that he was under no obligation to contribute to the relief of the unfortunate of San Francisco. Rats are not contributors by nature.

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Things are very active around the Presidential beehive on the Hill, and "favorite sons" are brought forth with surprising rapidity. How often such has been the case when some "dark horse" would win the race.

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The weekly grist of patents issued keeps the well-diciplined Specification force busy and at high-water mark. Several thousand cases yet remain to be acted on by the Patent Office. This branch of Government printing has come to be regarded as an unfailing index of general business activity.

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Miss Clarissa B. Regan, of Specifications, has experienced some rather ill luck of late. About a month ago she had the misfortune to lose a gold watch, and within the past week a greater misfortune came by the loss of a diamond ring of considerable value and the property of a lady friend.

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Hobson's choice was a seat in Congress, where he could introduce his own pet hobbies and play hob with others. Hobson belongs to the kid glove school of statesmen, and if correctly reported he has very little in common with wage workers or those who are striving for better industrial conditions.

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"Is the Senate honest?" is the theme for a magazine article by Senator Tillman, who in the past has contributed as much as any one man to the impression that if the Senate is honest there is still room for improvement. Mr. Tillman's revised utterances are tempered with greater moderation, and the original indictment is therefore pigeon-holed. Evidence is accumulating to show that the senior Senator from South Carolina is more and more inclined to make Washington a permanent place of residence.

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We were wondering what the probable effect would be to street-car corporations if gentlemen were to remain seated and the ladies were obliged to stand by reason of a lack of seating room. We wouldn't care to advise such a thing, and yet as more cars are needed it might be the very best thing that could happen "for the good of the service." The experiment might lead to the formation of a Citizens' Association of women, and even a soulless corporation would shudder at a proposition of that sort.

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Back From Manila.

Fred. C. Miller, late of the Bureau of Printing, Manila, P. I., where he was employed during the past four years as a linotype foreman operator, spent about ten days in the city, leaving yesterday for Plum City, Nebr., where he intends enbarking in business.

Mr. Miller spent a few days in Frisco, as the guest of George A. Tracy, a week before the earthquake and was shown about the city that was doomed to destruction so soon after.

He brought messages of good feeling and regards from his co-workers at the Bureau of Printing to many of the employees of the G. P. O., but when he waited on the chief clerk for permission to see them (and some of them foremen, too) he was curtly informed that he could see them outside after office hours. This was a shock to Mr. Miller, who knew the rules of the office were not so stringent when he was employed in it some years ago, and any visitor to the office could see an employe, a courtesy even conceded in a jail, and is so different at the Bureau of Printing at Manila.

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An Interesting Letter.

The following letter from Walker Miller, late of the G. P. O., and now a prosperous hotel man in Ohio, will interest many of his old friends here, who have a warm regard for the writer:

BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO, *April 29, 1906.*

EDITOR TRADES UNIONIST:

Inclosed you will find $1, for which please give me credit on subscription to the TRADES UNIONIST. The paper reaches me every Saturday, and I find much in its columns to interest me, as do several other former Washingtonians.

Thad. Stephens, formerly of the G. P. O., struck town a short time ago and worked in one of our offices several days. Of course we had several chats during his stay, and the questions he fired at me about the G.P.O. and its employes kept me busy during each sitting. He seemed very much gratified to learn of Charley Young's deserved promotion, and Frank Smith, as a candidate for delegate, is evidently a prime favorite with him. Although Frank is a member of the Knockers' Club, Thad. was of the opinion that as a knocker he is not in it with Mike Serrano, and in this opinion I most heartily concurred. Be it understood that while we were on the subject of knockers we did no knocking ourselves, as it is not permitted in my office.

Al. Fulton, who worked on the *Record* and and in the Job Room in the early nineties, is a member of our fire department—the finest in the State. Al. was the star catcher of the G. P. O. baseball club.

E. W. Hearn, formerly one of the owners of the G. P. O., is "It" in one of our printing establishments and is prospering.

Walter Roebuck and Charley Campbell, two of our solid citizens, were at one time compositors in the "Works," but it was so long ago that I doubt if any besides Charley Etchberger and John Dickman will remember them.

Please tell Bloomer that his old friends, Ackles and Berry, who knew "Pard" when traveling was a pastime, want to know why he has ceased to write for your paper. Berry claims that he took Pard from Baltimore to Washington by easy stages and gave him to the Government, and he has no doubt the Government has gained much by the transaction.

With best wishes, I remain,
Truly yours, J. W. MILLER.

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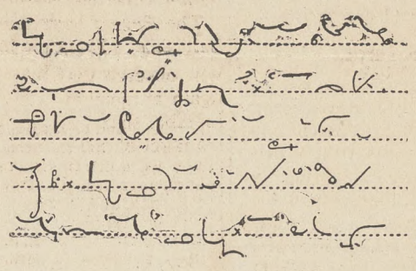

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We have received a copy of *The American Citizen*, published in the interest of the open shop. It is dated May 1, 1906, and is No. 1 of Vol. 1. The text of Judge Stafford's recent decision is given in full, and several articles are published that treats of the labor question from the standpoint of the non-unionist. The paper is well printed, four pages, carries no advertising, nor has it a masthead or flag giving office of publication or subscription price. It is set in 8 and 10 point, and is about the size of this paper. It is believed to be the product of the Shiery-Wilkins Press.

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Sixth Division.

Knocks written over a *nom de plume* signature carry little weight, even tho' the writer be a Jumbo.

A meeting of the ex-would-be Delegates Association has been called for May 17. The third degree will be worked on several candidates.

Eight men of the Sixth Division were absent on Saturday. And yet some people say baseball among printers isn't as popular as it used to be.

"Our fellow craftsmen" is good, Mr. P. P. Columbia Union has some membership application blanks which it will be pleased to furnish on request.

Through an accident on the proof press, John Snowden, colored, lost the end of one of his fingers on Monday. The G. P. O. hospital fixed him up.

John Hooper, Merg. operator of the Sixth Division, is minus his mustache. He reminds me of a well-known sign on F street which says, "Wonder what Mertz will say to-day."

The Sixth Division subscribed generously to the relief fund for San Francisco printers. The average was over one dollar. Fifty-seven dollars was subscribed by fifty-one card men.

Jos. Dreis (Adolph of Hamburg), of the Sixth Division, is about to spring upon an unsuspecting public an invention which promises to revolutionize the process of heating metal in linotype pots. His idea is to attach to the outlet heat pipe on top of the pot a circular pipe running to the bottom of the pot, thus using the escaping heat for heating purposes, requiring no gas after once starting. If Earl Count Courtney will pay the Sixth Division a visit some day I will be pleased to introduce him to our own Adolph. Seems to me they ought to know each other.

By becoming a regular contributor to THE TRADES UNIONIST, Bro. Bill Brockwell is in better position to give to the public another installment of anecdotes without fear of the correspondents, blue pencil.

Friends of E. A. M. Lawson, foreman of the Third Division, are pained to learn of his serious illness with typhoid fever, and are unanimous in their hopes for his early recovery and speedy return to his charge.

Among a party of ex Philippine printers (Caribous) that spent last Sunday on a pleasant excursion up the Potomac was Ruch C. Johnson, of this Division. Its customary for these ex-employes of the Philippine G. P. O. to get together occasionally and renew the ties of friendship formed in far-away Manila. Aside from Mr. Johnson there are employed in the G. P. O. the following ex's from the Government shop at Manila: Fred Auderson, press room; Louis Allen, bindery; James Alford, proofreader; Jerome Kendall, make up on *Record;* Fred Powers, electrician. Down-town there is Jack Mitchell, operator on *Star;* Ed. Morrison, printer, and Chas. E. Lanman, engraver.

I would like to call the attention of the chief engineer to the present unjust elevator service which is now being given Sixth Division employes, on account of his recent arrangement whereby the elevator formerly used by the Sixth Division is turned over to our dear friends—the ladies. For five minutes after the whistle blows that particular elevator moves up and down from the seventh floor to the bottom carrying only a belated female occasionally, while the men of the Sixth must walk or help swell an already overcrowded service at the other end. We don't want to ride with the girls, Mr. Chief, but we would like to have the use of that elevator when it is no longer of service to them.

The *Record* boys have formed a base ball team. From the list of names you will observe that Johnnie Williams is again a member. You will also remember that Johnnie Williams was a manager of the *Record* club last year, when he sold the franchise and gave the players away. The team this year is composed of Ed. Nevils, 2b.; W. H. Cornish, rf.; John Williams, cf.; Andy Bailey, p.; Wm. Mattock, c.; Joe Sheehan, 3b.; John Cotter, ss.; Louis Vogt, lf.; Bert Wolfe, 1b. The sub list is composed of Jack Desmond, Richard Powers, M. Spencer, Chas. Gardner, Ed. Poole, Samuel Soloman, Clyde Sheriff, and Harry E. Giles. Chas. Gardner will play the Stubbs system, which will be worth the price of admission alone to see.

The Washington *Post* on Sunday contained a write-up of the Union Printers Home at Colorado Springs, and stated that the scheme of J. Monroe Kreiter's for individuals, chapels, etc., to send a book or so by their delegates to be presented to the Home would probably add one thousand books to the Home library. Here is a chance for Washington printers to make Candidate George H. Hayden make good on the statement made by his nominator that he is capable of carrying great weight, that is by electing him a delegate and then loading him down with books for the Home. But whether the books go or not (and they undoubtedly will) Candidate Hayden is making a race that promises to insure him a trip to the Home. He is an F. F. V. and carries the key to the City of Alexandria, which is always at the disposal of Washington printers when visiting in the Finished City.

In the light of past events a man must be a prejudiced cuss indeed who will allow himself to believe that any man connected with any other body other than the Lanston Monotype Company or ex-Public Printer Palmer himself could have so arranged things as to now have the Lanston casters presided over by members of Columbia Union, or by his individual act or as president of the Union kept from the G. P. O. the Mergenthaler linotype machine. And yet this is the argument used by a few in advancing reasons against the election of John R. Berg as delegate to Colorado Springs. When a man deserves a knock no one enjoys giving it to him more than myself, but in this day when we are all struggling for a square deal for ourselves it is hardly becoming on our part to knock any man for something over which he had absolutely no control. As a gentle reminder for the time being the sign in the wash room which says "clean be clean" might appropriately be changed to read, "square be square."

I have heard it said, and believe it to be true, that a certain man, whom I shall call Knack Might, has made the statement that he does not propose that John R. Berg shall receive any votes from the Spess chapel, at the same time letting the impression fall among those who listened to him that his influence is all powerful in that Division. This man has no right to a voice in the affairs of Columbia Union, and I am sure such a statement will meet with resentment from the many good and true union men and women employed in Mr. Ramsey's Division. If I understand the case correctly, after a due season of prayer for guidance in the matter of paying dues, he received the "command" to let up on further payments. For that act I have nothing to say. Let him wrestle with his own conscience; I have mine to look after. The Constitution of the United States gives him the right and protection of his rights to remain outside the pale of unionism if he so elects. With all those "blessings" he should be happy, and mind his own business, and above all things not set himself up as a "leader" of union men and women. Just why there should be more ill feeling (according to his story) against Mr. Berg in the Specification Division than in any other Division, or why there should be any at all, is something I know nothing of. As president of the Union he has fulfilled all the obligations imposed upon him. He could have no more prevented unskilled labor from taking positions on the Lanston casters than any other member of the Union, and surely the great body of intelligent printers in the G. P. O. are not going to let a controversy entered into by two greedy corporations over the merits of their make of machine become a factor in the affairs of Columbia Union. For one I am not ready to think so, and shall watch for the vote of the Spess people on election day to see how strongly they have given repudiation to this non-unionist would-be leader.

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According to a story which is being told by a *Record* operator, a proof reader is a mighty hard individual to please when it comes to the little matter of punctuation. Of course this story doesn't apply to Candidate Frank Smith, for he is mighty careful how he marks commas nowadays. In the Senate proceedings there is a phrase often used which goes something like this: "Certainly I yield to the Senator." In order to make certain on the proper punctuation the operator cast three lines, as follows:

"Certainly. I yield to the Senator."
"Certainly: I yield to the Senator."
"Certainly I yield to the Senator."

When the proof came back he found the two top lines marked out and a comma marked after certainly in the third line. What the operator said will have to be told in executive session.

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We curve a lie on the smiling cheek;
And bend the back if we hope to win,
And squeeze out good from a hive of sin.

We fight indoors and we pray without,
On the street wear silk and at home a clout;
We can angels be if the hour demands,
And we serve the one that self commands.

We go to church when the day is fine,
For we love like bugs in the sun to shine;
When the day is dark and the wind is high
We must stay at home to grunt and sigh.

We carry bags with our neighbor's sin
All ranged in front where we may look in;
But our darling sins on the back are placed,
And we hate the one who would have them faced.

We have shelves at home where the drink is set,
And we take our glass with the least regret:
For the walls are dumb and the doors are still,
And the spirits know we can smile at will.

We swim each day as the current goes,
We can give our alms if the public knows;
And our highest aim is the wish to be
Where the world and we in the case agree.

And we never know 'till the game is done
What fools we've been in the dark and sun;
But then we'll see, as we look it o'er
What the shelf contained behind the door.

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GEORGE H. HAYDEN, Congressional Record, G. P. O.

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DOWN TOWN BY THE WAY.

J. L. Gittings left Tuesday evening for his home in La Harpe, Ill.

Mike Barry, striker, is now doorkeeper at strike headquarters.

H. D. Brodie, who has been quite ill, is now on the way to recovery.

The campaign down-town is so quiet that you can hear an automobile go by.

L. J. Ruth is dividing his time in the print shops of Tom Moore and Lippman.

Say, Bill Brockwell is interesting and I for one appreciate what he said about my friend Ottinger last week.

When it comes to raising money in a hurry, No 101 can do a little hustling herself. She faded the Red Cross.

J. Raymond Padgett, striker, has started in the printing business for himself. It is a label office, of course.

Reports from Sibley Hospital are to the effect that J. L. Fechtig will soon be able to again mingle among his friends.

William O'Neal, of New York, is in the city calling on friends. He reports that No. 6 lost all of her records by fire last Friday.

S. H. Willey, of strike headquarters, accompanied by Mrs. Willey, attended an open meeting of the Jonadab order in Baltimore Sunday.

The managers of Luna Park are negotiating with the Eight-Hour Committee for a picnic to be held at the Park for the benefit of the strikers.

George Bierach, of Sudwarth's chapel, has given up single cussedness for double blessedness. He was married Monday to a very estimable lady of Winchester, Va. His friends wish him luck.

Miss McDonald, of the *Post*, and a candidate for delegate, was a caller at Eight-Hour headquarters. There is a suspicion that she was looking for votes. She is a very pleasant lady, and election day will tell the rest.

SAM DE NEDREY.

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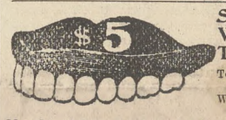

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Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

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The limelight artist is not generally the safest man to trust for good results. A little work well done is much preferable to a lot slurred over and accompanied by a fierce line of big talk.

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A valued friend tells me that *Tom Watson's Magazine* will be a fair publication the moment the present contract for its printing expires; that Mr. Watson has so promised. I am glad to hear it. I believe the promise will be kept.

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A man by the name of Cake has been nominated for a high office out in Oregon. It will now be proper for the pert paragraphers to remark that the nominee naturally hopes the voters will take the Cake when election day comes. Wow!

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"The man with the muck rake" and "the man with the whitewash brush" are getting much space in the public prints these days; but "the man with the candidate's card" is the exceedingly live proposition that Columbia Union's membership will have on hand from now until May 16.

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"It is not always a pleasant function to participate in public affairs, but it is a health-giving performance, nevertheless," said Champ Clark in Congress a few days ago. Maybe so Uncle Champ, but many people have the idea that it is a wealth-giving stunt for the topnotchers.

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I think that anyone who will take trouble—and it will be time well spent—to read the circular sent out in reference to the charge that scab and nonlabel supplies are being used at the Union Printers Home, will be convinced that such is not the case. Of course I never thought it was true, but nevertheless I am glad to have the chance to peruse an official denial that seems to leave nothing to be desired in the matter of proof that the charge is without foundation.

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A bright friend of mine, hearing that one of our renegades had said, "When the Union again becomes a fit place for a decent man, I shall want to resume my membership," contributes this:

When your Union is perfection
Once again I'd like connection,
When you start the day with prayer,
When there are no dues to square;
When you hold your meetings Monday,
But let Christians work on Sunday—
Oh, then I'll join it, like it well——
"Oh, yes you will—you will, like h—l."

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When August Donath heard that Columbia Union was to hold a meeting looking to relief measures for our fellow-craftsmen in San Francisco he at once sent his check to Secretary Seibold for a liberal contribution to go along with that from our organization. Although not at all connected with the printing business, Donath never fails to come forward at such times as he sees a chance to do good for his former work-fellows. I think that Columbia has several more ex-members who are of the same excellent material. How largely and how splendidly such fine figures loom up in contrast to the small creatures who desert their Union in the face of the enemy in the time of battle.

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"Now," said the bright operator, "I think I'll get Mr. Proofreader. Here is a line that can be punctuated just three different ways. I'll give him four ways." And then he touched the keys and this is what they said:

Mr. TELLER. Certainly. I will yield.
Mr. TELLER. Certainly; I will yield.
Mr. TELLER. Certainly—I will yield.
Mr. TELLER. Certainly I will yield.

"I think that will hold him for awhile," chuckled the mild-eyed manipulator of the Merg. "He can't get away from all those lines." But the wicked reader could and he did—the brute!—for here is how the line was marked:

Mr. TELLER. Certainly, I will yield.

With a vengeful cry the outraged comp. dashed for the Proof Room, but the mutton-brained marker had heard his on coming, got a "let-him-out" pass from the foreman, and was making a mad struggle to flee The Works—and the wrath that was pursuing him. At the end of his leave he may come back—for he is a man of more than ordinary bravery—but I doubt it.

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A man convicted of killing a deputy sheriff in North Carolina has arrived at Raleigh, the capital, accompanied by his mother and brother, but minus an officer to deliver him to prison. Consequent on this latter omission, "for several days he has vainly tried to break into the penitentiary to commence his sentence of fourteen years," says a local paper, "but has not yet succeeded." In the meantime, the sentenced one and his party are stopping at the swell hotel of the town, and are "putting in the time sight seeing and calling on friends." The prisoner "can be often seen seated on a bench in the Capitol Square, wearing a white vest and patent leather shoes, quietly smoking a cigarette." I always claimed that the Old North State was about the finest spot on the map, and does not this back me up good and strong? People are so truthful and reliable there that in a case of this kind, when the sheriff is a little pushed for time he tells the party who is due to commence doing time in State prison: "Run along to Raleigh, son, and as soon as I get in my spring onions and other garden truck I'll get the papers and come and deliver you to the pen." However, if the young man had been arrayed in a jeans vest instead of a white one; if he had worn brogans instead of patent leathers; if he had smoked a cob pipe instead of a cigarette; if he had fed on corn dodger and sowbelly instead of the choice viands of the swell hotel—in such a case, methinks, a way would have been found for him to "break into the penitentiary."

W. N. BROCKWELL.

G. P. O. Bowling League.

The first annual banquet of the G. P. O. Amateur Bowling League took place last Saturday night at Bessler's Cafe, 922 Pennsylvania avenue, at eight o'clock.

The assemblage was called to order, after the inner man had been provided for, by Elmer Johnson, chairman of the Prize Committee, who introduced President Walsh of the League.

President Walsh, in a few well-chosen words, thanked the League for the confidence conferred upon him and their assistance last year in making the League a success in its first year. He then called upon George T. Cox, president of the City Association, who acted as toastmaster and presented the prizes to the successful bowlers.

A vote of thanks was extended to the Washington *Times*, the Castleberg Jewelry Company, and THE TRADES UNIONIST for the beautiful cups, and to other merchants for their donations.

During the course of the evening the following program was followed:

Piano solo, William Smith; solo, Leo Russell; recitation, A. Collins; piano solo, Frank Zook; solo, E. A. Lange; recitation, Elmer Brown; buck dancing, Markham and Nonan, accompanist, Leo McCarthy; readings from Shakepeare, Ed Dohoney, and duet, Nace and Razey. After the prize cups had been filled and those present had sampled their contents, the first annual banquet of the G. P. O. Bowling League came to an end with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

The official score:

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Reserves	66	39	.629
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Pressmen	30	75	.286

Among those present were: Messrs. Crass, Wuesthoff, Zook, Nachman, Bellinger, Dennison, Richards, Chisholm, Razey, Nace, Clark, Sturm, Holt, Lednum, Bowen, Dohoney, Campbell, Walsh, Arnold, Norbeck, McCarthy, Julian, Murray, Williams, Schultz, Harrison, Murto, Loughery, O'Brien, Tarbox, Mills, Johnson, Clark, Poppe, Collins, Patterson, Brower, Lange, Shomo, Parker, Mulligan, Burlingame, Markham, and George Preston, secretary and treasurer of the International Association of Machinists.

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

The Bottlers' Union Have Several Firms Placed on Unfair List

CARRIAGE WORKERS ON STRIKE

Illustrated Lecture to be Given — Retail Clerks Conducting an Active Campaign— Sheet Metal Workers Have Grievance Against River View Resort.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday by Vice-President Colpoys.

Fraternal Delegate Skellenger being granted the privilege of the floor stated that he had a stereopticon lecture, entitled "Rips in the Rockies," which he would be pleased to deliver to members of organized labor under the auspices of the Central Labor Union. His proposition was accepted, and Delegates DeNedrey, Bowen, and Bishop were appointed a committee to arrange for the same.

Dr. Skellenger also stated that Chas. A. Nesbitt would deliver a lecture on "Christian Socialism" on Sunday, May 13, at Dr. Skellenger's church, Sixth and C streets southwest, and invited all delegates to attend.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Stationary Firemen, No. 63: James Russell, vice John D. Bland.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5: Bert Meise.

Beer Drivers and Stablemen, No. 234: Wm. Schaefer, vice A. D. Manger, resigned.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE.

The Grievance Committee reported that they had been unable to adjust the difficulty of Bottlers Union with August G. Herrmann and Chas. Jacobsen and recommended that the request of the Bottlers Union be granted and those firms be placed on list "We Do Not Patronize."

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Window Cleaners Union, No. 12020, A. F. of L., presenting a list of prominent stores in this city and requesting appointment of a committee to endeavor to have said storekeepers ask for Union men to clean windows in the stores named. Request complied with.

From Hod Carriers Union, No. 21, claiming that on a building being erected for the E lite Laundry Co. that bricklayers were working with non-union brick and mortar wheelers, and asking for a committee to investigate same and request employment of Union men on the job. Request granted, and Delegates DeNedrey and McGuigan were appointed on the committee.

From Model Shirt Co., New York City, calling attention to label on their negligee shirts. Placed on file.

From Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, replying to communication from this body asking for appointment of E. J. Roche as a member of the Legislative Committee of the A. F. of L., and stating that the request would receive due consideration. Placed on file.

From Hospital Attendants Union, No. 8097, inclosing per capita tax for quarter. Referred to Financial Secretary.

From Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Association, No. 11773, inclosing dues from that Union. Referred to Financial Secretary.

From A. J. Arnold, asking for opportunity and proposal to bid on proposed program for Labor Day. Referred to Labor Day Committee.

From Tacoma (Wash.) Trades Council, relative to request to have representative present during session of Congress, stating that Council could not comply with request on account of financial reasons. Placed on file.

From Baltimore Federation of Labor, stating that owing to fight made for certain measures before Maryland legislature it would be impossible to send a delegate to represent them before Congress. Placed on file.

From District Council, No. 1, United Garment Workers of America, asking that a committee visit Loeb & Hirsh, of this city, relative to handling of product of a firm of clothiers once fair, but now working "open shop." Referred to Delegates Sprague and McCarthy.

From Musicians Union, No. 161, asking that the Naval Gun Factory Band be declared unfair. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Bartenders League, No. 75, asking that S. Guggenheimer, 3033 M street northwest, be declared unfair. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Local No. 234, asking that Arlington Bottling Co., August G. Herrmann & Son, Pabst Brewing Co., Schlitz Brewing Co., and Anheuser-Busch Brewing Co. be declared unfair. Referred to Grievance Committee.

INDORSEMENTS.

The following Unions have indorsed the action of the Central Labor Union in placing Schondau & Lynch, Bowers & Daly, Mudd & Brown, and Richard Collins on the unfair list on request of Horseshoers' Union:

Beer Drivers and Stablemen, No. 234.
Musicians' Union, No. 161.
Press Feeders' Union, No. 42.
Window Cleaners, No. 12020.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Amalgamated Carpenters, Branch No. 3: That management of Cabin John's Bridge resort would sign a contract if the same was presented to them. Referred to Contract Committee.

Carriage and Wagon Workers, No. 72: That they had gone on strike for $3.00 per day, and requested moral support of Central Labor Union, which was granted.

Columbia Typographical Union: That their Eight-Hour Committee had, by request of Central Labor Union, inquired as to status of Penn Printing Co., Philadelphia, Pa., and discovered that it was not listed as a label office.

Federal Labor Union, No. 8193: That they would give an excursion to River View, but on a statement of a delegate that his organization would present a grievance against the management of that resort, the secretary was directed to call attention to fair and unfair pleasure resorts.

Horseshoers: Requested that the status of the Galt case be given them. The chairman of the Grievance Committee gave the desired information.

Hod Carriers: That they desired a protest against dual organization of Hod Carriers in this city, and request American Federation of Labor to instruct its local organizers to aid in amalgamating the three organizations of that craft in this city. The request was granted.

Musicians: Asked if representative of Luna Park Co. could inform delegates from that Union if Creatore, who has a nonunion band, was to appear at Luna Park. Mr. Little, the Luna Park representative, replied that it would not, nor would any other nonunion band be heard at that resort.

Retail Clerks: Called attention to list of union stores they had compiled in a leaflet and asked delegates to request union card before making purchases. Also asked that a committee of three be appointed to visit Chery, Moran & Co., and endeavor to unionize that establishment. Request was granted, and Delegates Feeney, Howard, and E. L. Adams were appointed to visit that house.

Plumbers: Reported that they were still locked out, and were satisfied with the situation.

Sheet Metal Workers: Presented a grievance against Randall Steamboat Co., which was referred to Grievance Committee.

NEW BUSINESS.

Delegate Ring stated that certain data in possession of Secretary Winslow was necessary to complete publication of roster of Central Labor Union, and asked that the secretary be requested to furnish same. Request indorsed.

Adjourned.

Joseph Auerbach, 623 Penna. ave., sells the Sweet-Orr make of overalls and coats.

HIS OCCUPATION GONE.

Plumbers' Lockout.

The condition of the Plumbers' lockout shows very little change since last week. The master plumbers are waiting anxiously for the promised help from the outside, but few if any competent men are coming in.

The Union intends to have a strict compliance of the building regulations that calls for an examination of all plumbers employed on work done in this city.

Many big jobs are delayed and it would seem that the building trades will refuse to work with nonunion plumbers, even though the Plumbers' Union have not asked for a cessation of work on their account.

Joseph Auerbach, 623 Penna., ave., sells the Brigham & Hopkins Baltimore make straw hats.

Carriage Workers on Strike.

Local No. 72, Carriage and Wagon Workers' Union, struck on Monday for an increase of $3.50 per day for blacksmiths and $3.00 per day for woodworkers and painters. Nearly one-half of the shops have signed up and the prospects are that the strike will be of short duration.

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The following table gives some interesting statistics as to how the big San Francisco relief fund raised in the G. P. O. was disposed of and the amounts raised in the various departments. Of the amount contributed by the office force the printers received the big end. As fast as received the amounts are turned over to Foreman Young, who looks to the proper disposition thereafter, as designated in the heading of this table. In its present condition the table does not represent the full amount raised by the G. P. O., the fund being constantly added to by employes returning who were absent at the time the collection was taken. When completed the amount sent to San Francisco from the G. P. O. will reach if not pass the twenty-five hundred mark.

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In addition to the amount subscribed, it is safe to say that with the *Post* chapel and other contributions to follow, fully $300 will be secured through Secretary Seibold.

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Law Reporter Chapel	3.75
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Milans' Chapel	4.00
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Postoffice Chapel	3.50
Army and Navy Register Chapel	12.00
Judd & Detweiler Chapel	18.50
Evening Star Chapel	65.00
Times Chapel	32.00
National Publishing Co. Chapel	3.75
Weather Bureau Chapel	5.50
TOTAL	241.40

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DEPARTMENTS.	Printers.	Bookbinders.	Pressmen.	Electrotypers and Stereotypers.	Feeders.	Womens Bindery Union.	Unclassified.	Totals.
Public Printer's office and clerks	$69.75	$14.00	$5.00	$4.00	$4.00	$21.50	$7.00	$125.25
Electrical Division							23.25	23.25
Engineers' Division							17.00	17.00
Main Press Division (day)			45.00		25.35		26.50	96.85
Main Press Division (night)			19.50		10.00		10.50	40.00
Job Press Division			40.00		17.50		11.85	69.35
Foundry Division—electrotypers, $81.75; stereotypers, $17.25				99.00			11.25	110.25
Job Division	50.00							50.00
First Division (day)	118.50						17.00	135.50
First and Second Division (night)	134.25						4.00	138.25
Second Division	36.25						1.00	37.25
Third Division	44.50							44.50
Fourth Division	31.75							31.75
Fifth Division	95.50						6.50	102.00
Sixth Division (day)	54.50							54.50
Sixth Division (night)	58.50						5.50	64.00
Sixth Division (night proof)	29.00							29.00
Main Proof Division (day)	103.50						11.00	114.50
Main Proof Division (night)	52.50						3.50	56.00
Specification Division	121.00						6.25	127.25
Gazette Division	57.75							57.75
Treasury Division	25.00	3.00	4.00		5.00	2.50	10.25	49.75
State Division	9.75	2.00	.50		1.00	1.00	.50	14.75
War Division	10.50	1.00			5.50		2.00	19.00
Navy Division	17.00	3.50			2.50	3.00	19.00	45.00
Agriculture Division	10.00		2.00		1.25		1.00	14.25
Library Division	17.00		1.00				.75	18.75
Interior Division	16.70	5.00	1.00		4.50	1.50	1.00	29.70
Watchmen—G. A. R., $62.75								62.75
Paper warehouse							10.00	10.00
Stable							7.00	7.00
Library Bindery Division		48.50				7.35		55.85
Carpenter shop								
Bindery Division		359.30				35.15		394.45
Folding Division		31.00				73.95	75.55	180.50
Counting Division								12.75
Delivery Division							9.50	9.50
TOTAL	1,163.20	466.80	118.00	103.00	76.60	145.95	298.60	2,448.20

The Rumpus at the Home.

The charge recently made by the Women's Label League of Colorado Springs, Colo., that Superintendent Deacon of the Union Printers' Home had been giving the merchants of Colorado Springs who were or are now members of the Citizens' Alliance the trade of that institution, seems to have created a stir in the I. T. U. jurisdiction.

Frank Kennedy ("Sadie Maguire"), with his usual enterprise, has secured a copy of the book containing the list of members of the Colorado Springs Citizens' Alliance and published it in the last issue of the *Western Laborer* as a supplement. It is fac-simile from copy of the book, and the list published in the *Laborer* seems familiar when compared with firm names that Superindent Deacon's report in the *Journal* gives monthly.

The rejoinder of Colorado Springs Typographical Union to "The Protest" is too strong from the standpoint of a Union, and shows clearly that the Union there is an echo of the administration of the Home.

The whole matter will be sifted out at the next session of the Board of Trustees of the Home, and if the Women's Label League can prove its charge there will be a change in the firms furnishing supplies to the Home.

Thos. F. Crowley, of Cincinnati, who is a candidate for re-election, has been asked regarding his position in the present controversy, and he replies as follows:

"I wish it distinctly understood, once and for all, that I will not tolerate any capitulation to establishments of the Citizens' Alliance ilk, and my sentiments and sympathies are fully voiced, as well as those of my colleague, W. J. White, in his letter as secretary pro tem. to the Women's Label League of Colorado Springs, dated November 27, 1905."

Auxiliary Meeting.

The Meeting of Women's Auxiliary, No. 13, of Columbia Typographical Union was enlivened with an election on Tuesday evening. Miss Laura B. Gordon was chosen as delegate to represent the Auxiliary at its next convention at Colorado Springs in August.

The Ricketts Testimonial.

The handsome diamond ring and casket of gold to be presented to Oscar J. Ricketts next Sunday night at Typographical Temple is on exhibition in the window of Harris & Shafer Co., 1113 Pennsylvania avenue northwest.

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Labor Unions and Their Enemies.

SECOND PAPER.

Labor people are individually as much interested in the work they are doing as the capitalist is. It is important to him that he have steady labor; that at the beginning of the year he will have a reasonable assurance that his employment will last indefinitely, and that if he must change employers he will not be compelled to change employment. He is fully aware of the fact that his employer's business must be profitable if his own employment must continue. He is therefore directly interested in the business in which he is engaged and desires its success. Whatever is the employer's interest is his interest, and pride in his workmanship and his interest in the business will make any workman worthy of the name faithful and true if his fidelity is not imposed upon. The clash between employer and employe comes when the latter is not given a fair proportion of the earnings through the joint efforts of each.

Every true man desires to improve his condition in life. He desires to have his family well clothed, well fed, and well sheltered, and his children fairly well educated. As civilization advances the wants of men advance, and a wage which might have satisfied our fathers will not satisfy us because it is insufficient to keep our families in the same relative position that it did our fathers. If we ask no more wages than he did, our families must be stinted, and if our children are not as well clothed, fed, sheltered, and educated as we were then there must be deterioration. Organization is necessary to maintain the standard of life of the working people, and that fact should cause public opinion to support labor organizations and not oppose them. But strange as it may appear many employers—the greater number of them, it may well be believed—oppose labor organizations by every means in their power and would destroy them if they were able. At no time in the history of labor for a hundred years has the efforts of capital been greater than now to win their battle against labor.

The laborer is not feared by these people, but labor organizations have put a restraint upon them which they desire to have removed. They seem to be standing for the right of the laborer to work what hours and for what wages they are prepared to offer him, but everyone knows that if labor organizations were to disband wages would be decreased and the hours of labor increased. Whatever they may say, their acts prove that they wish to regulate the wages and hours of labor themselves and not permit the laborer to have a voice in the matter. If anyone desires evidence of this fact, let them look at communities where labor organizations have not been formed. For more than a generation we have had laws on the statute books in nearly all civilized countries protecting women and children in their labor, but in the Southern States of this country employers are working their women and children long hours and at wages that here in the North at least would not sustain life; and their plea is, as it has been everywhere and at all times, that their business will not permit them to do better by their workers than they are doing; yet we hear of these capitalists making from 10 to 40 per cent upon their capital. Do away with labor organizations and the conditions which prevail in the Southern States would soon prevail at the North, for the greater part of the capital which is employing women and children in this condition in the South comes from the North.

The "open shop" has been much talked of in the past few years, but none know better than the employers that labor organizations can not exist if the principle of the open shop is to prevail. Labor organizations establish wages and uphold them, and if they would work with non-union men, getting the same wages, that soon there would be a disintegration of the organizations, for who would pay the expense of keeping up the organizations if they could obtain the same wages without remaining in the organization? The closed shop is necessary to the organizations of labor and must be contended for as firmly and earnestly as the right of the organization itself.

Never was labor so well organized in this country, but never was it opposed with greater force and energy than now. The forces of one or the other must give way or the battle between them must be a grand one. The other side are not particular about regarding the laws of the war and it may not be expected that labor people will be. But it would seem that labor was executing a flank movement and is bent on strengthening its forces in a new direction.

The expressed determination of many leaders of labor organizations to go into politics, as it were, gives new interest to the struggle. It means that if it is possible to control the matter the power of the government of cities, counties, States, and even of the National Government shall be added to the power of labor organizations to secure the rights of labor. Everyone in this country knows the tremendous influence official position, rightly used, has upon public opinion. The influence of a citizen out of office is very little, but give him official position and it is increased often a hundred fold.

Heretofore labor people have kept out of politics because its members would not give up their parties, so many of them preferring their parties to their organizations that to have entered politics would have disrupted their organizations. Now, it seems that organized people are thinking of putting their labor organizations above their parties.

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QUIPS AND QUIRKS.

See that your breakfast food has the label. There's a reason.

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It is to be hoped that the longshoremen will prove short strike men.

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As a general rule, the genuine unionist doesn't like to be talked down to.

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The Boston cigarmakers want higher wages and propose to make their employers smoke up.

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Low wages and low thinking are more or less associated as regards both the employer and the employe.

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Speaker Cannon had a birthday reception last Wednesday. The Presidential Bee was the guest of honor.

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Having graduated from the farm, Senator Tillman considers himself something of an authority on Barnes.

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The comma-chaser's wrinkled brow
Once told of daily terrors;
He left the case, and life is now
A commady of errors.

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Because Captain Hobson came safely through the Spanish war, it doesn't follow that he will escape a blowing up when he enters Congress.

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The Man with the Muck Rake is of great assistance to the Man with the Garbage Cart in the accomplishment of his unsavory but very necessary stunt.

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It is a good policy to invite an expression of opinion from your business friends occasionally. And it will not do much harm if you strive to patronize those business men who show an intelligent conception of the real aims of organized labor.

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Delegatorial Candidate Roberts' fervent eloquence having been criticized as "hot air," it is but proper that attention be called to facts bearing upon that point. For instance, Eight-Hour Chairman Parsons received a request from Winchester, Va., the other day for five union printers—including one foreman—to fill permanent situations. The Winchester Union was recently organized through the efforts of Candidate Roberts.

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THE REFORMED COMP.

The comma-chaser used to be
A victim of my lash,
And spacing experts heard from me
In language rich and rash.
But here at ease I sit at last,
Thought's wrinkles on my brow,
While comps my reputation blast;
I'm in the proofroom now.

I like to railroad paragraphs
Of pale conceited comps
Who mingle levity and laughs
In typographic romps.
I like to dream of how they kick,
While through their proofs I plow
And scatter space marks good and thick.
I'm in the proofroom now.

WILLIAM TIPTON TALBOTT.

What is Christianity.

By the Rev. Charles Stelzle.

It is not an ecclesiastical rite. To be baptized or to attend a communion service is to some men the sum and substance of Christianity. Others have insisted that the church represents all that there is of Christianity. Unfortunately, while the church has been the instrument by which the truth has been proclaimed, it has not always been true to its own message.

Others have said that religion is Christianity. A man may be very religious, and yet not very much of a Christian. There is a great difference between Christianity and "Religion." Sometimes it is said that a man has become insane because he had too much religion. That may be true, but you never heard of a man becoming insane because he had too much Christianity.

What then is Christianity? There is a text in Scripture which reads: "If any man have not the spirit of Christ, he is none of His." Christianity is a character and a life; the possession and the manifestation of the spirit of Christ. Some men have given us distorted pictures of that life, and others looking on, have said, "that is Christianity."

It is not the life of a monk. Some great and good men and women have secluded themselves from the sin of the world and the power of its temptation by entering monasteries, but Christ, in praying for His disciples, said, "I pray not that thou shouldst take them out of the world, but that thou shouldst keep them from the evil." The world needs its best men and women as forces for righteousness.

Neither is the Christian life the life of the stoic. The Puritans were noble characters, but for most of them this world was a howling wilderness. To them laughter and mirth were the signs of an unregenerate soul. Christ does not command that a man should shut his heart and his mind to the good and the beautiful things of the world—the flowers and ferns, the rocks and rivers, the skies and the sunshine, the melody music. Christ's life was a constant protest against the narrow spirit of the Puritan.

The Christian life is not the life of the Pharisee. The Pharisee was a man who thought himself too good to mingle with ordinary men, for fear of contamination. Christ had nothing but words of condemnation for such men.

The Christian life is not the dual life—a double life. Sometimes men separate certain acts, and say of them, "this is my religious life;" and of another set of acts, "this is my secular life." Christ never made such a distinction. He taught that every act of a man's life is a part of his Christian life. It is no more of a religious duty for you to go to church on Sunday than it is for you to go to the shop, or office, or store on Monday. One is just as sacred a duty as the other. The life of a preacher is no more a "religious" life than the life of the day laborer should be. They simply serve in different ways.

Christianity is not an ethereal thing somewhere up in the sky. It has to do with the here and now. There is no more practical thing in the world. What that life and that spirit is, Christ has told us in his teachings and in His own life upon earth. Here, then, is the test of every man's Christianity—"If any man have not the spirit of Christ, he is none of His."

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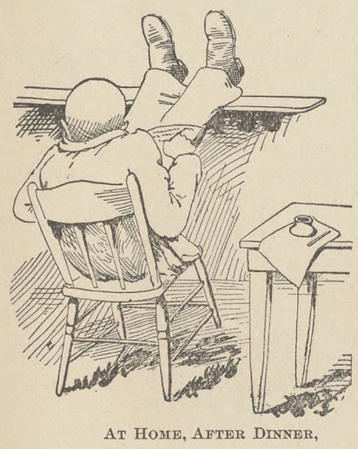

AT HOME, AFTER DINNER,
May 6, 1906.

The sin of omission is the neglect of a known duty. Neglect is the source of lost opportunities.

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The crawfisher is one who fishes backward, because his hindsight is better than his foresight.

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The well-directed ballot may serve as a great lesson, or it may be bartered and the lesson learned afterward.

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When Wall street is reported as more "conservative" in tone, it is a sure sign that shearing time is near at hand.

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A trick of more than usual transparency is the desperate expedient of making a rat do duty as a bogie man.

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The statement published last week that Miss Regan, of Specifications, had lost a diamond ring was erroneous. The ring was stolen.

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There is apparently a growing demand among suffragists everywhere for the individual who is likely to show good stewardship in exchange for the confidence voted.

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Captain William F. Walsmith, a reviser on Specifications, is spending his vacation at Paducah, Ky., where he recently attended the reunion of the famous Brightwood Cavalry.

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Commissioner MacFarland has yielded again and once more taken the oath of office, which will hold him for a third term. Each time he accepts the position after much reluctance, but it is noticed that as the years go by he is gradually overcoming that impediment.

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During the twentieth century, A. D. 1906, the coal barons of America made extensive preparations and issued invitations for a general coal strike feast; but it came to pass that the invitations were not accepted, whereas there was manifest displeasure on the part of the aforesaid c. b's.

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It is a little peculiar that some people are supposed to have no choice of their own and that the matter of voting is a thing to be regulated by others. The voter who is voted has no genuine grievance as an election aftermath, and no redress except that he may kick himself as an occasional pastime.

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We are reliably informed that J. Stanley Ziegler, late assistant foreman of Specifications, has been advanced from cashier to auditor of the New Willard, at a salary commensurate with the responsibilities of the new position. This will be gratifying news to Mr. Ziegler's host of friends here and elsewhere.

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Some thieves removed the three hundred pound corner-stone of a new Methodist church out in California the other day and secured about ten dollars in things of value for their trouble. The amount was so discouraging that it is likely the thieves will refuse to engage in further church work, and especially will they steer clear of the Methodists.

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The daily papers have announced the death of Clarence B. Entriken, a nephew of B. P. Entriken, chief of the Clerk's Division of the G. P. O. The young man was employed as teller by the Loan and Trust Company of this city when, by reason of impaired health, he was granted indefinite leave of absence with pay, and he sought relief by change of climate in North Carolina and elsewhere; but the change brought little improvement. On returning home his condition grew worse and the end came on Saturday last. Deceased was a young man of sterling qualities and was generally beloved. Howard, a younger brother, was but recently a messenger on Specifications, for whom and others of kin much sympathy is expressed.

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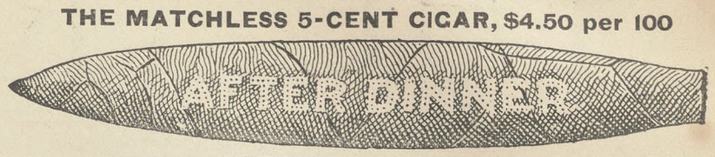

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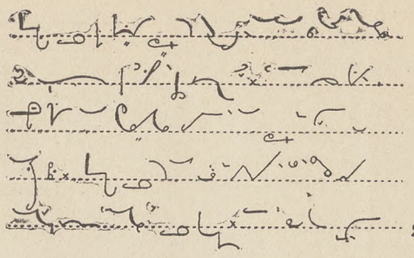

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Sixth Division.

Lino-Machinist Andrew Bailey, of the *Record*, has resigned and departed for New York.

Certainly, I yield to Brother Brockwell—in the matter of telling Proof Room anecdotes.

Frank Freiseis, of the Fifth, joined the Sixth Division last week, where he will take up the operation of the linotype.

Clyde Sheriff was transferred from the *Record* to the Sixth Division last week. Chas. O'Connell, of the Sixth, was sent to the *Record*.

James E. Hoes, of the Fifth Division, is absent from duty undergoing treatment for his eyesight. Mr. Hoes works in the correcting alley for the Monotypes.

It may be interesting to note that the working force of the G. P. O. is divided into some sixty chapels, as shown by the returns for the O. J. Ricketts testimonial.

Ruch C. Johnson, of the Sixth, became a full-fledged Elk last week. On being asked if he road the goat his reply was: "I think so; I have a faint remembrance of riding something."

Griffith L. Evans, of the Fourth Division, has recently accepted a position as tenor soloist at the Peck Memorial Church in Georgetown. Mr. Evans' voice is considered one of the best tenors in Washington and his name is frequently mentioned among the leading musical talent of the city.

Among last weeks promotions was that of Howard G. Brown, from the Record Clerks Division to the jacket room, where a vacancy was caused by the resignation of P. M. Becker. Mr. Brown is well known around the shop, especially among the printers, and it is needless to say the typographical end of the G. P. O. extend to him its heartiest congratulations.

Harmony Lodge, No. 9, I. O. O. F., will give an "Ye Old Folks Concert" in Odd Fellows Hall on Wednesday night next, and from my Odd Fellow friend, H. Newsom, of the Sixth, I understand it will be worth the price of admission asked—25 cents. Like all printing for the I. O. O. F., the tickets for the concert bear the imprint of the Allied Printing Trades Council.

Mrs. J. Bussius, of No. 7 H street, who has for years past conducted one of the best boarding houses in Washington, has leased a large cottage at Colonial Beach, which is now open for business. Anybody who ever took a meal at her house will vouch for the table, and it will not surprise me that the cottage will become headquarters for Printing Office employes and their families.

Lovers of good singing are looking forward to the coming Decoration Day concert which will be given by the Job Room men in the usual place on the day before Decoration Day. Mr. Ben Lineback, who always devotes his time and talent to make these affairs a success tells me the boys who will participate are making a special effort to have the coming concert eclipse any previous effort. Songs appropriate to the occasion are now being rehearsed, and the only drawback to my way of thinking is the limited time in which the concert must be given.

On next Wednesday the present political campaign now being waged by members of Columbia Typographical Union will come to a close, and it will probably pass into history as the tamest affair of its kind in years. However, it is pleasing to note that the campaign has done much to change prejudiced minds against the idea of a woman representative in I. T. U. affairs occasionally. In making her campaign for delegate Miss McDonald has sought no favors on account of her sex, desiring only to be judged by her past work in Typographical affairs, and her ability to represent Columbia Union as compared with her rival candidates. Her loyalty to the Union in times past when put to the test, her magnanimity in withdrawing from the race two years ago in order not to jeopardize another lady's chances, have won many a prejudiced mind over, and when the ballots are counted next Wednesday it is safe to place her on the list of winners.

Through the prompt action of Public Printer Stillings, after having his attention called to the poor elevator service given Sixth Division employes, the old service was immediately restored, and the Merg. boys are no longer compelled to hike it down five flights of stairs at the close of a day. In this connection, and on reliable authority, I think I may with propriety say that the Public Printer is on the lookout for just such incidents with a view to giving the employes the very best the service can afford, and that any suggestions for the betterment of the service are by him welcomed. Mr. Stillings realizes that an essential feature necessary for the performance of good work by employes is pleasant surroundings and restful condition for the brain, and with that end in view he is now arranging plans which, when perfected, will give to the employes, especially those engaged on the Monotype keyboards and Mergenthalers, more quiet surroundings, perfect ventilation, and other environments that will put the smile of satisfaction on the faces of all concerned. The grateful thanks of the Sixth Division are the Public Printer's for his interest in its welfare.

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THE RICKETTS TESTIMONIAL.

At a public meeting held last week of those interested in the O. J. Ricketts testimonial presentation, Chairman W. N. Brockwell was authorized to appoint a committee of seven to act with the original committee to carry out the presentation arrangements. The following is the complete committeee: Wm. N. Brockwell, chairman; Milo Shanks, treasurer; Chas. S. Gunn, secretary; Thos. B. Penicks, J. T. Wilkinson, W. Brice Coston, H. C. McFarland, Edward Geyer, Misses Kate Smoot and Laura Gordon. Later the committee decided to present Mr. Ricketts with a diamond ring costing over $300 and $500 in gold, Messrs. Shanks, Penicks, and Wilkinson being appointed to make the diamond selection. It was decided a short musical program should accompany the presentation, and Messrs. Gunn, Geyer, Coston, and Miss Smoot were appointed a committee to make arrangements accordingly.

The presentation to Mr. Ricketts will take place at Typographical Temple next Sunday night. The committee is at present engaged in preparing a short musical program for the occasion, and, while at the present writing it is too early to give the names of participants, far enough progress has been made to insure a first-class entertainment.

As the generous fund which was raised as a testimonial to Mr. Ricketts came as liberally from the ladies as the gentlemen employes, the entertainment will be such as to appeal especially to them, and it is hoped many will see fit to be present.

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A bushel of tickets are at Masonic Fair headquarters, returned on account of not bearing the label.

The Lord Mayor of Dublin, one of the most important offices in the United Kingdom, is a union printer.

S. J. Triplett, president of Jacksonville (Fla.) Union, sends a copy of the *Iconoclast*, a 20-page weekly issued by that organization for the good of the eight-hour cause. Bar a tendency to be semi-sacriligeous, calling its chapter heads epistles and parables—to my mind a crime—the paper possesses many points of merit. Mr. Triplett sends his regards to Messrs. Molan, Purvis, Knapp and others.

A number of my readers suggest that I secure a cut as a caption for this column, after the manner of the writer of "After Dinner Dilations." A serious obstacle to be encountered would be the selection of the particular hour of the twenty-four at which the snapshot would be taken. Would it be in the characteristic attitude of ye editor, a la Milton Nobles? Or, mayhap, in short-tailed jacket, climbing a-wheel the eastern hills at dawn; or when on F and Ave. I prom and nod, a creature of bends and glides and poses; or where the "keep busy" sign hangs out every night, with features a-smear and scalp-lock flying, I respond to the trusty's yell of "hot stuff" and "bill proofs?"

The installation of a good thing, or the abolition of a bad one, does not stop at the walls of the G. P. O. Constant calls are made for the Manual of Style, and the Mutual Relief Association has its counterpart in many cities.

A few years since a publisher of a Western daily attended an inauguration. Having a prior acquaintance, I met him at his hotel and offered to show him points of interest about town, among others the Government Printing Office.

"Why, I do not care to go there," was his reply, "you have so many things there I cannot possibly have in my place it will only make me envious."

He yielded to persuasion, however, and as we walked up the aisle of the old First Division his eye fell on a long piece of rule Make-up Kemon had deftly attached around a post, dropping the sidesticks from the galleys in the crescent formed thereby instead of littering stones and banks with them.

"I will make me one of them just as soon as I get home," was the publisher's comment.

Like his predecessors, the Public Printer reads THE TRADES UNIONIST. At the same time he gives ear to the thoughts or suggestions of its staff of contributors In last week's issue Scribe Gunn called attention that a recent order in regard to the use of the elevators by the ladies was working an injustice. On reading the item the Public Printer sent for the correspondent, the facts therein were verified, and the defect at once remedied. Mr. Gunn received an ovation from his associates as the carriers of human freight departed downward that evening.

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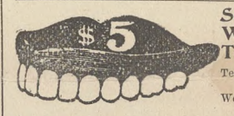

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A Correction.

In a recent issue we announced the election of delegates from Feeders and Assistants Union, No. 42, to the convention of International Printing Pressmen and Assistants Union at Pittsburg next month. We inadvertently announced the election of John J. Driscoll as one of the delegates, when in fact Frank B. Waple was elected. We cheerfully make the correction.

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The following persons have mail at Typographical Temple. A request to this office to forward same will be promptly complied with:

V. W. Keith. Frank Donn.
Yost D. Harbaugh.
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Columbia Council, No. 443, National Union.

Union Directory.

American Federation of Labor—Headquarters Typographical Temple, 423-425 G street northwest. Sam'l Gompers, President; Frank Morrison, Secretary.

INTERNATIONALS.

International Association of Machinists, Headquarters, rooms 402-407 McGill Building, 908-914 G streets northwest. James O'Connell, president; D. Douglass Wilson, vice-president and editor of the *Journal;* George Preston, Secretary-Treasurer.

Journeymen Stonecutters' Association of North America.—Headquarters, 803 Fifth street northwest. James F. McHugh, General Secretary-Treasurer.

Plate Printers of North America. International Steel and Copper. T. L. Mahan, 319 S street northeast.

LOCAL AUXILIARIES.

Allied Printing Trades Council meets last Thursday in the month at Typographical Temple. Elmer Johnson, Secretary, No. 2009 Flagler street northwest.

Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13, of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101. Mrs. Bert V. Wolfe, president, 235 Massachusetts avenue northwest; Mrs. E. H. Thomas, secretary, The Bertholdt, 128 Maryland avenue southwest. Meets at Typographical Temple third Monday in each month.

STRUCTURAL BUILDING TRADES.

Structural Building Trades Alliance of America, Washington Branch, meets every Tuesday at 8 p. m. Hall No. 3, Costello's Hall, Sixth and G streets northwest. Thos. E. Arnold, President; James S. O'Hagan, Secretary, 507 S street northwest.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 722 Sixth street northeast.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

Bricklayers, No. 1, meets second and fourth Thursdays in each month at Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. Milford Spohn, Secretary, 1238 Eighth street northwest.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Joseph Hutton, Chairman, 809 F street southwest; H. Burns Secretary, 1960 Second street northwest; Wm. Cronin, 1415 Thirty-sixth street northwest; Timothy Costello, 37 K street northwest; James French, 614 K street southeast.

Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5, meets every Friday night at 7.30, in Hall 1, Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. George W. Nyman, Secretary, 1253 Eighth street northwest.

Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

Electrotype Molders and Finishers, No. 17, I. S. and E. U. Meets Wonn's Hall, 721 Sixth street northwest, the first Thursday of each month. H. C. Poppe, Secretary-Treasurer.

Hod Carriers and Building Laborers Union, No. 21, meets first and third Mondays in each month, Cadets Armory, 718 O street northwest. Dennis Brown, Secretary, 1212 Fourth street northwest.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, Amalgamated, No. 148, meets second and fourth Wednesdays at 922 Pennsylvania avenue n. w. Martin Hellmuth, Secretary, 609 D street southwest.

Plate Printers Union, No. 2, meets on second Sunday in each month at 2.30 p. m., at Typographical Temple, 425 G street northwest. J. Edward Beach, President; J. C. Staats, Secretary Kensington, Md.

Steam Fitters, L. B. No. 10, N. A., meets the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. S. D. Zea, Secretary, 2108 G street northwest

Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Union, No. 11773, meets the first Tuesday in each month at 7.30 p. m., Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. Frank F. Hartwell, Secretary, 49 Bates street northwest.

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, First Branch, meets every alternate Monday evening at 610 G street northwest, Building Trades Hall. President, R. R. Rhodes. Financial and Recording Secretary, Fred Hook, 1034 Sixth street northeast. Business Agent, W. F. Gilmore, 624 Sixth street northwest.

Tile Setters Helpers, Local No. 12, meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month in Room No. 3, Building Trades Halls, 624 Sixth street northwest. J. Pettis, Recording Secretary, 3409 N street northwest.

Washington Feeders and Assistants No. 42, meets the first Thursday in each month at Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Miss Josephine Mulcahy, Secretary, 29 N street northwest.

BROCKWELL'S BITS.

The last week of the campaign's come
The busiest of the year,
When all down town and through the Swamp
The candidate you hear.

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Up Philadelphia way a prominent member of the Typothetæ has been arrested for very active connection with a lottery. The devil does occasionally fail to take care of his own, it would seem.

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To believe in a great principle is good, to work and fight for it is splendid, but to glorify it with suffering and sacrifice is indeed noble. Nothing particularly new in this thought, but it is brought to me with fresh beauty whenever I think of the conduct of the Union printers of this country during the last five or six months.

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"Speaking of the Red Cross Society," said Joe Johnson at the meeting for Frisco's relief, "Columbia Union is a pretty good Red Cross society herself." How splendidly true are those words. Looking back over my years of membership in the organization I fail to remember a month wherein the holy hand of charity was not extended toward some individual or some righteous cause in need. The record of our Union in that line has been one of which we can all feel proud, both as to the amount expended and the wide scope of its benefactions.

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It seems that the people on the Hill have chloroformed the District anti-usury bill. Even in an unclejoecannonized Congress the downtrodden money changers have "vested rights" which must be recognized and protected. It was much easier to drive them from the holy temple nineteen hundred years ago than it is to drive them from the nation's capital to-day.

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That was a goodly sum which the members of Columbia Union sent forward to their stricken fellow-craftsmen in San Francisco. Fifteen hundred dollars would be a generous contribution at any time, but when it is remembered that we are now and have been for months past in the midst of the greatest and most expensive strike in the history of the trade, locally and Internationally, the total realized seems magnificent.

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Brother John Moss, of the Record Proof Room, has a cheerful letter from his former side partner, Theodore Willis, who left here about a month ago for his old home in St. Louis. He says: "I am reading proof on the *Republic.* This is my second week and everything seems lovely. Wages from $25 to $30 per week. The strike situation is gradually improving. We pay 12 per cent weekly. Give my regards to all the boys."

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Some one who evidently does not love me has forwarded for my "examination and edification" a copy of *The Florida Iconoclast.* I have examined and I have been edified. There is one mighty good thing about the publication—it carries the Union label; that covers a multitude of sins. The booklet—for it is in that shape—puts forth the claim that it is "a weekly depurator." That word "depurator" is a hot one, as also a new one on me. However, after a scrutiny of the contents, I am led to believe that it is a misprint for "depopulator." There is a "Jackass column," edited by "The Jackass," a nom de plume which seems to be distressingly appropriate.

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Some days since I saw this wail from a manufacturer who has been having trouble with his employes—the "trouble" being that he and other bosses had locked out all of their help who dared to belong to a trade union: "What we cannot understand is why any outsider should be interested to the point of interference in our affairs. We ask to be let alone—that outsiders keep hands off." That sounds familiar as well as brutal. It is the same old snarling cry of greed and injustice that has come down to us from all the weary ages of an unholy past. "Hands off, outsiders, while I scourge my bond slave," said the devilish drivers of the human chattels; but the outside world would not, and the curse was removed. "Hands off, outsiders," snarled the mill owners and sweat-shop proprietors when an aroused public sentiment commenced the propaganda which has already accomplished great good to many poorly paid and illy housed women and children, and which, please God, is to do much more. The murderer is always opposed to "outside interference," for, having made all his plans to take a human life he deems it a hardship to be robbed of his victim. The wife beater is generally pleased to be "let alone," for, knowing that his prey is too weak for proper defense he can then go out about his little amusement "decently and in order"—no hurry, no bother—and if she screams too loud for his comfort he can give her an extra biff. Likewise the thief is really annoyed at "outside interference." Should he see a policeman watching him he is often worked up into a dreadful sweat of excitement. "Hands off" while we oppress; no "outside interference" as we despoil; "let us alone" while we starve our employes into accepting what we are graciously pleased to give them—this is the cry of injustice, this is the cry of greed; but the world will heed it not. Thank God for outside interference. Thank God for men who are brave enough and true enough and humane enough to "meddle in other people's business" when such interference is for humanity's sake.

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

It has been said, "As ye sow, so shall ye reap." Recently I read of a contractor in West Virginia being murdered by the men whom he had imported from a foreign country to help him carry out his contract in preference to native labor. Possibly it was because foreign labor could be secured at a less wage; possibly because American labor, when organized, will not submit to become serfs. No matter which contention is right or wrong, the sad result—the rushing of a soul into eternity without a moment's warning has been the result. "Sowing the wind and reaping the whirlwind" is the inevitable law of nature. From it there is no escape. It may come sudden; it may be long delayed; from it, however, there is no escape.

The funeral of the late George R. Wilson, ex-superintendent of the Naval Gun Factory, took place from his residence, 203 A street southeast, Sunday afternoon. His remains were deposited in the family vault at Congressional Cemetery. Mr. Wilson had lived four-score years and up to a few years ago was in the best of health. He served his apprenticeship in the Yard as a machinist and by force of character and ability soon forged to the front as a leader. For nearly forty years he was a power in the Yard. He was a strict diciplinarian, but fair in his dealings with the employes. While he accumulated quite a fortune, it was accomplished through strict economy and by honest methods. One thing I can truthfully say: While at many times during his career as superintendent chances came his way whereby he might have become wealthy, chances on which many men of a weaker caliber might have fallen, temptation, however, had no charm for the exchief. He lived an honest life, and like Samuel of old he can truthfully say when he appears before his Creator, "At whose hand have I received a bribe?" "Whom have I defrauded?" A good citizen, an honest man, has left us and gone to his reward.

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HUMANITY'S APPEAL.

We go our ways in life too much alone,
We hold ourselves too far from all our kind,
Too often are we deaf to sigh and moan,
Too often to the weak and helpless blind.
Too often where distress and want abide
We turn and pass upon "the other side."

The other side is trodden smooth and worn
By footsteps passing idly all the day,
Where lie the bruised ones, who faint and mourn,
Is seldom more than an untrodden way.
Our selfish hearts are for our feet the guide—
They lead us all upon "the other side."

It should be ours the oil and wine to pour
Into the bleeding wounds of stricken ones;
To take the smitten and the sick and sore
And bear them where the stream of blessing runs.
Instead we look about—the way is wide—
And so we pass by on "the other side."

Oh, friends and brothers, gliding down the years,
Our stricken sister is calling each and all,
In tender accents born of grief and tears
I pray you listen to the thrilling call;
Can you, brother, in your selfish pride
Pass guiltless on "the other side?"

When the news was flashed eastward that death and destruction had come upon San Francisco like a thief in the night, Columbia Lodge, No. 174, I. A. M., was the first in the city to send succor to the stricken ones by forwarding $100.

The next Sunday a special meeting was called and a committee was appointed to canvass the Navy Yard. Approximately twelve hundred dollars was contributed by organized and unorganized labor, and this amount is now on its way to help our sisters and brothers of San Francisco.

Believing that we had contributed our share toward the general public who are in distress, Columbia Lodge at its last meeting contributed $250 to the members of our craft, who are not only out of employment, but in many instances have lost their all. Our charity will not stop with this small donation. Every dollar in the treasury of Columbia Lodge will, if it be found necessary, be donated to the machinists in San Francisco who are in need and who carries a Union card. As the Washington *Post* aptly says: "The machinists in the Naval Gun Factory never do things by halves." We have studied the situation closely, and I am proud to state that Columbia Lodge will not be found passing "on the other side" whenever humanity's call rings in our ears.

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

Illustrated Lecture to Be Given at Last Meeting of the Month.

LOUIS KEMPER MAKES ADDRESS

Hod Carriers After "Dual" Organization—Bottlers Fight Still On—Representative From High Point (N. C.) Central Body Tells of Conditions There.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday by President Adams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, and after correction as to a communication from American Federation of Musicians, were approved.

N. M. Witter, from Central Labor Union, of High Point, N. C., made a statement as to condition of the woodworkers locked out at that place.

CREDENTIALS.

Journeymen Stone and Marble Cutters: James F. McHugh, Chas. Sanford, Joseph O'Connor, John Stoddard, J. Dynan.

Press Feeders; Albert R. Humphrey, vice Ernest Price, withdrawn.

Delegate McClelland stated that he intended to note an appeal to the American Federation of Labor against the present Constitution of the Central Labor Union.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Committee on lecture to be given by Dr. Skellinger reported that they could not obtain this hall on any night except on meeting night of this organization.

On motion the committee were instructed to arrange to have lecture delivered on last Monday in May on regular meeting night of the Council. A motion to allow the committee $10 for advertising the meeting was defeated.

The Grievance Committee reported that P. J. Nee had informed the committee that he would have no more plumbing done except with Union plumbers. Delegate from Plumbers Union stated that would be satisfactory to his Union.

Grievance Committee reported progress on other cases before them.

Committee on Suffrage reported that a permanent organization had been formed in which the Central Labor Union had secured its quota of officials.

Legislative Delegate DeNedrey reported progress on matters before that committee. The bill for services of the Legislative Delegate was ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Central Trades and Labor Council, Coshocton, Ohio, regretting inability to send a representative during present session of Congress in interest of labor legislation. Placed on file.

INDORSEMENTS.

The secretary read indorsements from Retail Clerks Union No. 262, Sheet Metal Workers Union No. 102, and Engineers Union No. 99, in placing Schondou & Lynch, Bowers & Daly, Mudd & Brown, and Richard Collins on the unfair list on request of Horseshoers Union No. 17.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Amalgamated Carpenters: That H. C. Easterday, druggist, First and G streets northwest, was having work done by nonunion men.

Bottlers: That they were still out on strike and requested delegates to so inform their Locals.

Secretary-Treasurer Louis Kemper, of United Brewery Workmen, was granted the privilege of the floor and made a statement as to the status of the Locals in this city.

Carriage Workers: That they were still on strike and satisfied with the local situation; that a number of shops had signed up and the Union was gaining every day.

Hod Carriers: Delegate Peyton asked that the Contract Committee visit L. W. Walker and endeavor to secure a Central Labor Union contract. He also presented the following resolution, which was indorsed:

Whereas the so-called Hod Carriers Union No. 1, in the District of Columbia, is a dual organization to Hod Carriers Union No. 21, and its principles in accepting the open shop is contrary to the laws of the American Federation of Labor. And since it has no affiliation with a National, International or Central Body of any kind; and since it is located in the vicinity of the American Federation of Labor, and next door to this Central Labor Union, we believe such an organization is an insult to the labor movement of this District; therefore be it

Resolved, That this Central Labor Union assembled this fourteenth day of May, 1906, do enter its solemn protest against said dual Union No. 1, and urge its affiliated Unions to discourage the existence of such a movement, and request the American Federation of Labor to instruct its organizers to act in conjunction with the same.

Be it further Resolved, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes and given publicity in THE TRADES UNIONIST.

Amalgamated Meat Cutters: That they would give an outing on June 13 at Luna Park and invited all to attend.

Retail Grocery Clerks: That William Wahl, grocer, Fourth and New Jersey avenue northwest, had violated his agreement, and asked Union men trading in that neighborhood to keep that fact in mind.

Plumbers: That they were still locked out and satisfied with the situation.

NEW BUSINESS.

The secretary was directed to draft a letter to Local Unions and request that financial aid be extended to High Point (N. C.) woodworkers on strike in that city.

On motion, it was decided to turn over to the striking woodworkers now on strike at High Point, N. C., the proceeds of the Dr. Skellinger lecture.

The secretary was directed to request the janitor to furnish two tables, one for use of the register and one for reporters.

Adjourned.

Official Vote of Columbia Typographical Union No. 101

Chapels.	I. T. U. Delegates—G. P. O.							Delegates I. T. U. Down town.				
	John R. Berg.	C. H. Gove.	Geo. H. Hayden.	C. W. Pafflow.	H. J. Redfield.	F. C. Roberts.	F. D. Smith.	Bela S. Feeney.	J. T. Herbert.	M. J. Maher.	Teresa McDonald.	J. C. Whyte.
First Division—Day	31	24	43	47	56	82	60	38	4	1	54	20
Second Division—Day	11	7	10	19	23	33	16	3	10	2	15	10
Third Division	12	7	5	20	8	25	12	4	8	4	16	1
Fourth Division	8	6	17	21	15	31	25	6	3	2	19	12
Fifth Division	27	75	22	21	37	36	24	7	9	9	32	25
Sixth Division	44	3	11	8	9	34	22	4	2	4	35	4
Job Room	23	16	10	31	52	31	55	8	2	3	13	50
Specification—No. 1	20	8	18	25	29	67	60	15	6	11	39	11
Specification—No. 2	8	9	6	17	27	45	26	9	1	5	32	2
Document Proof Room—Day	27	12	10	65	47	33	42	9	7	2	55	10
First Division—Night	39	13	59	11	28	87	74	23	.....	10	76	6
Second Division—Night	12	11	31	5	8	34	40	13	1	12	20	5
Document Proof Room—Night	29	7	25	13	31	12	37	6	3	7	30	7
Record	52	3	21	10	2	13	13	13	.....	2	31	5
Record Proof Room	25	3	18	.....	2	3	27	10	1	.....	10	6
Official Gazette	14	6	2	36	26	27	33	3	9	.....	33	5
Treasury	13	5	2	12	12	11	12	6	4	5	8	.....
Navy and State Divisions	9	7	8	9	16	4	12	2	1	.....	12	7
War Division	5	7	1	4	6	12	6	6	2	1	4	.....
Interior Division	10	4	.....	.....	8	3	5	2	.....	.....	7	1
Agriculture Division	7	8	4	2	3	4	4	4	2	1	4	.....
Library Division	12	3	1	5	7	3	3	6	2	3	1	1
Weather Bureau	7	8	2	6	4	2	7	1	1	.....	10	.....
Post	33	2	21	19	25	31	38	2	7	6	44	6
Star	52	3	22	11	25	47	52	.....	.....	10	1	64
Times	32	2	33	5	2	8	31	3	.....	33	1	2
Judd & Detweiler	24	8	6	7	5	19	10	15	.....	5	4	3
Law Reporter	5	1	2	.....	8	8	6	10	.....	.....	.....	.....
National Publishing Co.	8	1	8	1	.....	5	2	.....	1	.....	3	5
Sudwarth	1	13	6	2	3	8	3	12	.....	1	1	.....
Milans	8	2	7	.....	3	10	3	9	.....	.....	1	1
Army and Navy Register	2	1	1	.....	1	5	4	3	.....	.....	1	1
Interstate	5	4	1	.....	1	4	.....	3	.....	.....	1	1
Organizers-Strikers	104	60	74	24	41	149	74	172	1	4	9	3
Secretary	37	19	18	11	26	48	39	28	8	3	22	12
Total	758	370	526	468	595	975	878	455	96	146	645	286

Chapels.	Delegates to A. F. of L.						Trustees Union Printers Home.									
	Frank K. Foster.	Frank Morrison.	Hugh Stevenson.	Michael Colbert.	H. J. Gottlob.	V. L. Berger.	Thos. F. Crowley.	W. J. White.	L. C. Shepard.	T. D. Fennessy.	H. W. Cooke.	John Armstrong.	P. M. Draper.	W. A. Wright.	A. J. Chramosta.	Martin Lacher.
First Division—Day	84	83	60	41	29	46	62	60	20	34	52	69	11	31	11	26
Second Division—Day	24	33	22	12	17	14	30	26	8	17	13	19	3	9	3	8
Third Division	25	24	15	9	16	14	16	21	10	12	13	17	2	10	.....	9
Fourth Division	31	33	26	17	17	24	26	27	11	20	19	17	5	13	1	11
Fifth Division	68	67	45	37	41	35	46	44	34	45	27	20	10	32	4	21
Sixth Division	43	37	30	19	31	20	34	22	8	18	22	20	4	35	.....	7
Job Room	40	53	44	46	30	24	27	34	47	36	18	36	7	28	2	17
Specification—No. 1	53	61	39	27	37	29	47	45	20	17	30	29	6	22	4	25
Specification—No. 2	32	40	17	20	14	22	26	27	11	20	11	9	6	18	4	13
Document Proof Room—Day	55	62	47	31	35	22	38	54	20	20	32	38	12	35	12	21
First Division—Night	76	98	51	48	61	56	80	53	21	101	47	22	8	47	7	20
Second Division—Night	39	38	28	25	23	16	36	19	12	41	20	16	4	25	2	7
Document Proof Room—Night	37	36	31	26	24	18	31	26	23	36	17	20	4	16	1	7
Record	33	43	12	45	51	9	33	14	29	51	22	8	7	17	.....	4
Record Proof Room	23	21	14	17	15	10	19	10	22	19	4	5	5	19	.....	2
Official Gazette	35	39	28	24	23	13	25	36	12	26	25	26	5	9	2	2
Treasury	15	15	13	13	4	7	16	15	3	5	15	9	1	2	.....	4
Navy and State Divisions	17	15	7	11	9	9	5	16	6	6	8	6	1	8	1	9
War Division	13	10	7	7	6	6	10	7	5	9	5	5	1	3	.....	4
Interior Division	9	9	6	3	2	7	9	8	3	2	5	1	1	1	1	6
Agriculture Division	7	7	3	3	3	4	8	9	2	3	5	3	1	4	.....	1
Library Division	7	9	4	5	2	5	6	6	6	2	4	6	1	6	.....	3
Weather Bureau	8	6	6	8	2	3	11	11	.....	.....	11	11	.....	.....	.....	.....
Post	41	46	35	33	53	17	42	33	27	41	19	29	7	20	5	9
Star	35	54	45	57	49	25	27	28	55	57	15	39	4	43	3	11
Times	30	32	26	19	22	12	22	10	22	31	9	17	3	18	2	10
Judd & Detweiler	21	21	11	16	8	8	18	12	14	9	8	4	2	6	2	7
Law Reporter	10	10	6	1	8	5	9	5	6	6	3	6	1	3	.....	1
National Publishing Co.	8	6	6	5	4	3	6	7	2	3	3	.....	1	3	2	5
Sudwarth	11	10	5	6	7	5	14	5	1	5	5	3	1	5	1	.....
Milans	10	8	3	10	9	.....	10	10	10	9	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Army and Navy Register	4	3	2	2	1	4	4	1	.....	.....	3	1	3	.....	.....	4
Interstate	5	5	4	3	1	2	4	5	2	2	1	.....	.....	1	2	2
Organizers-Strikers	118	113	68	101	87	46	99	56	125	97	34	37	5	42	24	19
Secretary	41	46	28	36	29	18	37	27	28	31	14	22	10	22	3	8
Total	1108	1193	794	783	770	558	933	799	625	831	539	571	142	552	99	303

RELIEF OF FRISCO.

Government Printing Office Employees Contribute Generously To Fellow-Craftsmen.

Below will be found a complete table of the contributions made by employes of the Government Printing office. The collection was handled from the front office and the amount received in each department was promptly turned over to the officers of the unions represented. Where contribution was made by unorganized employes the contribution was sent to the Citizens Relief Committee, John Joy Edson, chairman.

G. P. O. CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SAN FRANCISCO SUFFERERS.

Departments.	Printers.	Bookbinders.	Pressmen.	Electrotypers and Stereotypers.	Feeders.	Womens Bindery Union.	Unclassified.	Totals.
Public Printer and clerks	$71.25	$14.00	$5.00	$4.00	$4.00	$21.50	$8.00	$127.75
Electrical Division	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24.50	24.50
Engineers' Division	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40.75	40.75
Main Press Division (day)	.....	.....	46.00	.....	26.35	.....	27.50	99.85
Main Press Division (night)	.....	.....	19.50	.....	10.00	.....	10.50	40.00
Job Press Division	.....	.....	40.00	.....	17.75	.....	11.85	69.60
Foundry Division—electrotypers, $4.75; stereotypers, $10.75	.....	.....	.....	15.50	.....	.....	11.00	26.50
Job Division	79.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	79.50
First Division (day)	118.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17.00	135.50
First and Second Division (night)	134.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.00	138.25
Second Division	36.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	37.25
Third Division	44.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	44.50
Fourth Division	31.75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	31.75
Fifth Division	95.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.50	102.00
Sixth Division (day)	54.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	54.50
Sixth Division (night)	58.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.50	64.00
Sixth Division (night proof)	29.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29.00
Main Proof Division (day)	103.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11.00	114.50
Main Proof Division (night)	52.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.50	56.00
Specification Division	123.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.25	129.25
Gazette Division	58.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	58.50
Treasury Division	25.00	3.00	4.00	.....	5.00	2.50	10.25	49.75
State Division	9.75	2.00	.50	.....	1.00	1.00	.50	14.75
War Division	10.50	1.00	1.00	.....	5.50	.....	2.00	20.00
Navy Division	17.00	3.50	.....	.....	2.50	3.00	19.00	45.00
Agriculture Division	10.00	.....	2.00	.....	1.25	.....	1.00	14.25
Library Division	17.00	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.75	18.75
Interior Division	16.70	5.00	1.00	.....	4.50	1.50	1.00	29.70
Watchmen—G. A. R., $65.75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65.75
Paper warehouse	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	10.00
Stable	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.00	8.00
Superintendent of Documents	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14.25	14.25
Carpenter shop	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bindery Division	.....	449.45	.....	.....	.....	60.55	.....	510.00
Folding Division	.....	31.00	.....	.....	.....	73.95	75.55	180.50
Counting Division—Masonic relief, $7.50	.50	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	3.25	13.25
Delivery Division	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.50	9.50
TOTAL	1,197.95	507.95	122.00	19.50	77.85	164.00	343.90	2,506.40

Joseph Auerbach, 623 Penna., ave., sells the Brigham & Hopkins Baltimore make straw hats.

Joseph Auerbach, 623 Penna. ave., sells the Sweet-Orr make of overalls and coats.

ROBERTS, SMITH, BERG AND McDONALD

The Choice of Columbia Typographical Union to Represent Her at Colorado Springs.

Campaign Very Quiet One—Some Surprises in the Vote—Pafflow Made a Good Run—Redfield and Hayden Strong in Spots—Miss McDonald Receives G. P. O. Indorsement—Frank Smith Wins Out This Time—Feeney Strong Down Town.

The interest in the I. T. U. ticket was lost on account of no opposition being made to the executive officers, as fully 400 failed to vote for I. T. U. officers, the total vote being approximately 1,600 and less than 1,200 being cast for any I. T. U. candidate, Frank Morrison receiving the highest vote on that ticket—1,193.

The same condition maintained on the local ticket, where no opposition developed. George G. Seibold for secretary receiving the highest vote—1,413, showing that fully 200 failed to vote the local ticket where offices were unopposed.

For delegate to the A. F. of L. Foster ran next to Morrison, Stevenson following with about 300 votes less than Foster. As was to be expected Morrison cast the high vote, but with a full vote out he would have cast the full strength of the ticket.

UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES—LOCAL.

SUMMARY.

President—T. C. Parsons	1,374
Vice-President—W. F. O'Brien	1,312
Secretary—Geo. G. Seibold	1,413
Treasurer—James E. Bright	1,380
Trustee—C. C. Thompson	1,361
Sergeant-at-Arms—Eugene Connor	1,329
Doorkeeper—N. C. Stoops	1,330
Auditors:	
J. W. Carter	1,295
C. W. Radley	1,330
Louis C. Vogt	1,317
Alternates, G. P. O.:	
J. H. Babcock	1,122
Geo. S. Fletcher	1,053
H. C. Town	1,055
Alternate, Down Town:	
J. C. Macksey	964

UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES—I. T. U.

SUMMARY.

President—J. M. Lynch	1,113
Vice-President—J. W. Hays	1,167
Secretary—J. W. Bramwood	1,128
Agent—G. P. Nichols	1,007

NOTES.

Roberts landed all right.

The *Record* was loyal to Berg.

Bela Feeney carried his chapel handsomely.

On the I. T. U. ticket for Trustees of the Union Printers Home Fennessy developed unusual strength, due to the fact that he made many friends here while a delegate a few years ago. White, of Frisco, also received a good vote, while Tom Crowley, of Cincinnati, lead the ticket.

Miss McDonald got a splendid vote in the G. P. O.

Harry Redfield was strong in spots. He will do next time.

The San Francisco Fund.

The amount of money contributed by the membership of Columbia Typographical Union to aid her stricken sister union in San Francisco totaled $1,497.35, made up as follows:

INDIVIDUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

August Donath	$5.00
John A. Ray	1.00
Geo. G. Seibold	1.00
Arthur R. Secord	1.00
C. C. Hipkins	1.00
Wiley H. Davis	1.00
W. R. Love	1.00
O. D. Hyler	2.00
Stanley Searles	1.00
A. W. Sefton	1.00
R. C. Johnson	1.00
J. M. Weaver	1.00
W. L. Evans	1.00
T. F. Ellis	1.00
E. J. Dwight	1.00
B. R. Preuss	1.00
E. J. Hall	1.00
DeWitt C. Chadwick	10.00
R. A. Martin	1.00
Jos. Schmaling	1.00
G. A. Rinehart	.50
P. W. Wiley	1.00
F. C. Roberts	1.00
Stephen Smith	1.00

CHAPEL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Government Printing Office Chapels	1,197.95
Trades Unionist Chapel	3.50
Law Reporter Chapel	3.75
Sudwarth Chapel	6.50
Strikers Chapel	44.75
Milans' Chapel	4.00
Pearson's Chapel	6.65
Postoffice Chapel	3.50
Army and Navy Register Chapel	12.00
Judd & Detweiler Chapel	18.50
Evening Star Chapel	65.00
Times Chapel	32.00
National Publishing Co. Chapel	3.75
Weather Bureau Chapel	5.50
Post Chapel	52.50
TOTAL	1,497.35

The Secretary has added to the above $2.65, making the total $1,500, a draft for which has been forwarded to San Francisco Union.

Congratulations in Order.

Thos. E. Doty, of the First Division (night), G. P. O., reports that he has a new baby boy at his house, born Thursday, May 10.

RICKETTS REMEMBERED.

His Friends Gave Him a Reception at Typographical Temple.

Before an audience which completely filled Typographical Temple, Oscar J. Ricketts, former foreman of printing, received from his former printing office associates, a handsome diamond ring and a gold casket containing $500 in gold coin at the printers temple on Sunday night.

It would have been impossible to have brought together an assemblage more representative of the Government Printing Office than was gathered on that evening to pay a loving tribute to a former chief. It was a printing office assemblage, pure and simple, and made up of men and women from the Chief Executive of the shop down to the institutions humblest workman—the charwoman.

For the occasion a pleasing musical program had been prepared, and with one exception—Miss Frances Loretta Johnson—the talent was selected from the ranks of G. P. O. employes, and the one exception should hardly be considered as such, for Miss Johnson is a daughter of an office employe, Mr. L. C. Johnson, of the Proof Room.

Like many other occasions where the gratuituous services of musicians are required, the ever-ready and willing Rebew orchestra under the leadership of Mr. Henry Weber, of the Proof Room, added much to the evenings enjoyment by the rendition of appropriate selections.

The program consisted of four solos (interspered with speeches) by Mr. James S. Graves, of the Folding Room, Miss Loretta Johnson, Mr. Will Burchfield, of the Bill Force, and Miss Lucille E. Smith, of the Bindery. Mr. Graves and Mr. Burchfield are so well known in musical circles that nothing which might be said here could add to their excellent reputations. Miss Johnson possesses an exceptionally clear soprano voice and her solo "Calvary" was one of the delights of the evening. "For All Eternity" a song especially adapted for a contralto voice, was rendered by Miss Lucille E. Smith, with piano and violin accompaniment. Miss Smith possesses a beautiful voice which must be classed as one of the best contraltos in Washington. She has sang since early childhood in public and is possessed of an easy, graceful carriage of person, which to a public singer comes next to the voice.

Speeches were made by the Public Printer, Representative Charles B. Landis, Frank A. Kidd and Wm. Brockwell. In paying a tribute to the guest of honor, Mr. Ricketts, both Mr. Stillings and Representative Landis paid a high tribute to the printer and the printing office employe in general. Mr. Landis rapped the "pinhead" official, who, upon gaining a foremanship or other petty job over the control of a few subordinates, swelled up under his power and made life a burden for those under him, and from the manner in which the Public Printer joined in the applause which greeted this remark, I take it there will be something doing for any G. P. O. official who might get gay along those lines.

Although taken by surprise in being called upon for remarks, Frank A. Kidd proved himself master of the situation, and delivered an eloquent tribute to Mr. Ricketts.

The presentation speech was made by Wm. Brockwell, of the Proof Room, and I want to state to those who have heard Mr. Brockwell in times past, that his effort of Sunday night was the greatest of his life. If the whole universe had been searched for some one to have made the presentation, no more appropriate person than Wm. Brockwell could have been found.

After the acceptance by Mr. Ricketts the audience arose and sung "Old Lang Syne," then fell into line and passed before him, giving him hearty hand shakes and good wishes, while the ever obliging Rebew orchestra played appropriate selections.

In all, the meeting was highly satisfactory, musically, socially, and otherwise, and the thirteenth day of May, 1906, will undoubtedly take its place in Oscar J. Ricketts memory as the most happy day of a life made up of many momentous ones.

CHAS. S. GUNN.

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BROCKWELL'S BITS.

If a winner, be not greatly puffed up; if a loser, be not sorely cast down.

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By the way, did you hear any stories of anybody "going down the line" during the campaign which closed yesterday? I did not. Here's hoping the practice is dead for all time.

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These be days of trial and sacrifice for loyal Union printers, but battles won without such things are rare indeed, as well as being victories devoid of real glory.

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Speaking of morals, about what would be the difference between the man who says "I won't pay any more dues; I will quit the Union," and the fellow who claims to be a Union man, but hasn't got enough sand to live within his income (when that income is fairly good) and thereby gets in arrears? I rather think its mighty near a tie game.

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The death of Dick Lyles, which occurred on last Sunday, removes a well-known figure from local printerdom. I have known him for several years past, though I never worked with him. He was a man of more than ordinary intelligence, and I recall many times when he made an hour pass most pleasantly for me by his entertaining talk. Mr. Lyles was, I should judge, at the time of his death about 60 years old.

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Charles Payne Smith, an old friend and fellow-workman of mine, has been the central figure in the Home row out at Colorado Springs in re use of non-label goods. A committee of that Union recommended his expulsion, but the organization refused to ratify the recommendation. I congratulate the Union and also my old friend Smith. Taking away a man's card for engaging in a controversy in which there can easily and honestly be pronounced differences of opinion is a serious thing, especially at this time. Those of us who know Charles Payne Smith can imagine that there was "something doing" at that Union meeting when the attempt was made to drop his card into the dead-matter basket.

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A friend has shown me a very interesting letter from William E. Shields, formerly hereof, now and for some time past located at Denver, Colo. From it I learn that Frank Stretton, some years ago a proofreader in the G. P. O., has arrived there from San Francisco, and is easily getting "all the work he wants" as a reader. Mr. Shields says that "Billy Foley will be one of the delegates to the Springs, and McLean, an old friend of Frank Morrison, the other." Referring to Frisco, he says: "Our Union sent $250 for a starter, and will send more as needed. We have $7,000 in the treasury." Mr. Shields hopes John Berg will be elected, and speaks words of well-merited commendation of soon-to-be President Parsons. The letter also announces that the writer is a candidate for president of Denver Union, and as he has no opposition the result is certain, though I rather think Shields would prefer opposition. He was President of Columbia Union for two years, and made an excellent officer. Denver Union is making an excellent selection.

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That article in last Saturday's *Star*, by Charles W. Pafflow, in reference to the printing of the principal nations, was all right. It showed patient labor, well directed research, and an intelligent grouping of much luminous information on a subject of special interest to many of us who work for the Government in its printing office, in addition to being an article which would appeal to the general reader with more than ordinary interest. I read it with genuine pleasure, and feel that I should thank the writer for its production at this time, when we are hearing and reading so much about waste of money in public printing. The paper shows that this Government has the largest printing plant in the world, has more printing and better printing than any other country, and gets it done as cheaply as any of the great nations of the world. Such articles are helpful and educating, and I therefore trust that this particular one may find a wide circulation and careful reading, especially among a certain group of statesmen who talk much on the subject of our public printing, but really do know very little, though I think many of such are willing to learn.

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Did it ever strike you how fortunately Columbia Union has been situated thus far in reference to the strike? Of course it has. While the majority of the Unions throughout the country have paid on an average of more than 11 per cent on all earnings since the strike began, we have paid considerably less than 2 per cent. True, we have been drawing against the future, but the drafts are so slight and spread over such a long period of time that we shall encounter small inconvenience on that score. Should the time come—and of course such an event is a possibility as long as the strike continues—when it will be necessary to collect the full 10 per cent assessment I hope and I believe that we shall promptly respond to the call. To do otherwise, under all the circumstances, would indeed be deplorable. It would ruin this Union for all time to come. It would brand us as moral cowards and men devoid of all sense of honor. Of course, my opinion of our membership is entirely too high to even remotely suspect that such a catastrophe will ever take place. A few deserters does not make me distrust the great body of honorable men who constitute our organization.

W. N. BROCKWELL.

Oysters in every style at R. A. Driscoll's North Capitol and G street. Overholt whisky, 10c.

Honors to "Blood" Thornton.

Editor TRADES UNIONIST:

A lively contest occurred in the Second Division Night Force among the candidates to serve as tellers at the election for offices of the Typographical Union. The popular and commanding John Handiboe, in a neat and graceful speech, placed in nomination "The genial man of avoirdupois from Jones Falls"—Baltimore—Mr. Wm. D. Thornton.

It was a surprise to "Blood," and as everybody likes Willie he knew his election was sure. He was too full, however (now, I mean of emotion and gratitude), to reply, and so he waddled back to his frame again and sneezed, which is always "wont to put the house upon a roar."

Mr. Thornton's large frame is no more conspicuous than is his manner winning.

AN ALL.

After Shaving, Kenealy's Bay Rum, the finest; pints, 50c. Drug Store, North Capitol and Eye.

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To the Members of No. 101:

I take this method of thanking my friends for their most generous support and flattering vote.

Fraternally,
F. C. ROBERTS.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

For every Elgin union shirt sold in Washington, five cents goes for the benefit of the striking printers.

AFTER-DINNER DILATIONS.

AT HOME, AFTER DINNER,
May 13, 1906.

Ice will correspond with price this year—in rhyme.

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The "outs" are never without a surplus of advice for the "ins."

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The newspaper that is born of a grievance is of few days and full of trouble.

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The socialist makes the model and the other fellow secures the patent and pockets the proceeds.

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The path once leading from Senator Tillman to the White House is now grass-grown and forsaken.

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Washington would have a fairly good police system if policemen were as good at finding criminals as they are at finding excuses.

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The experiment has been made and it has been proven that the automobile may be trained to keep step with the funeral dirge.

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Men say good-bye and move on, while women say it a dozen times and each time are reminded of something they had almost forgotten.

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Mr. Garrels is foreman in charge of Specifications during the absence of Captain Ramsey, who entered upon a leave of fifteen days on Monday. Mr. Waterman is acting as assistant.

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Mr. E. J. Handly was cordially received by Specifications friends last week after his hospital experience and a convalescent season, covering in all a period of about three months. Dr. Chadwick pulled him through.

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We hope that Brother Sutton will speedily adopt the advice of friends and accompany his always readable paragraphs with a personal likeness. The pose is immaterial, though we would suggest that he sit or stand with face to the wall.

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"The Colored Cook" had an exhaustive editorial write-up in the Washington *Post* of last Sunday. The writer showed great familiarity with his subject, and all in all it was a remarkable defense. A marked copy should be sent to all the c. cooks.

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Great country this—land of golden opportunities and many possibilities! The lad of to-day who plays ball on the commons may yet be estimated as a star of the first magnitude and sell for a price that would make the salary of an average minister of the Gospel look like thirty cents.

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Subscriptions by Washington printers in aid of their San Francisco brothers were both prompt and generous. It is always safe to appeal to the membership of 101 in times of need. An examination of the amounts published by chapels is ample proof of this fact. The subscription of $121 by the Specification Division alone shows a record unbroken.

CYCLE.

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Back to His First Love.

Will U. Mackey, of Carson City, Nev., who recently resigned from the G. P. O., where he essayed the role of a compositor, writes from Carson City to Secretary Seibold, of Columbia Typographical Union, for a copy of the last yearbook. The letterhead bears the label and is State printing, all Nevada State work bearing the label. Mr. Mackey is foreman of the State Printing Office at Carson City.

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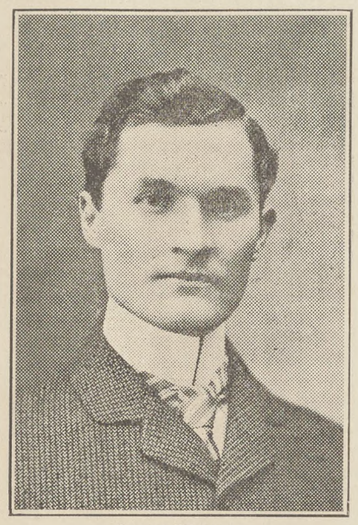
The Caleb Powers' Fund.

The Caleb Powers' fund will be held open for two or three weeks longer, as many have expressed a desire to contribute who have not been able to do so because of the San Francisco and other appeals.

The committee having the matter in charge has decided to make an urgent



CALEB POWERS.

appeal to all who feel an interest in Caleb Powers and his case to send in their contributions during the next two weeks in order that he may know what to depend on and to what extent he may hope to cope with the prosecution in the way of employing counsel and securing the presence at court of his witnesses.

It is hoped that everyone having received a circular letter from the committee will bear in mind this persecuted man and respond to same.

Mr. Powers will acknowledge all contributions when the books are turned over to him by the bank.

Mr. Clarence F. Norment, president of the Central National Bank, is receiving the subscriptions.

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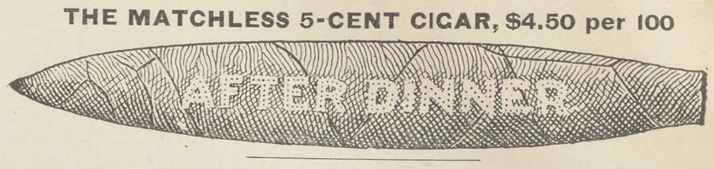

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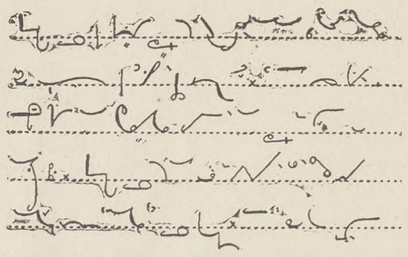

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Sixth Division.

Wm. H. Drayton, Merg. 3, this Division, has deserted the city, and taken up his residence at Silver Springs, Md.

Chairman George Fletcher, of the Sixth Division, is the father of a new girl which arrived at his house on Monday morning.

Joe Goodkey, of the Third Division, has recently sold his suburban home at Langdon and moved into town. Applications for the position of fire chief, made vacant by Mr. Goodkey's departure, will now be received by the vigilance committee.

B. R. Preuss, who operates Merg. 2, of the Sixth Division, came within the fraction of a point of winning a scholarship at the George Washington University, where he is studying pharmacy. At each spring examination the student making the highest average is given a scholarship for the next year, and his examination last week resulted in his missing connection with $70 by a very small per cent.

At the Ricketts meeting Sunday night I noticed among those present the writer of "Just Every Day Life," H. S. Sutton. It was a pretty hard thing for "Maud" to give up his social engagements for the evening, but thanks to a fairly good telephone system and a batallion of messenger boys he managed to break the disappointing news to a regiment of dear girls who were anxiously awaiting his coming, that love for his former chief had taken possession of his soul, and that he and Cupid would not begin the "prom and nod" at least until after the clock struck ten.

I was pleased to hear Representative Charles B. Landis, chairman of the House printing committee, pay a high tribute to the printer at the Ricketts meeting Sunday night. A bill has recently passed the Senate granting G. P. O. employes thirty working days leave of absence, and Mr. Landis can by the mere endorsement of that bill, put it before the House in such a manner that it will become a law. Mr. Landis not only lauded the printer, but he praised the entire force of the G. P. O. as being among the most worthy of the Governments servants. Mr. Landis now has it in his power to prove that the words he spoke were not mere words of flattery, and the four thousand employes of the big shop will look to him to see that he makes good by recommending the same treatment in the matter of leave that is given Departmental employes. It is a splendid opportunity for the distinguished Indianian to prove that his splendid words of praise were inspired by more than a desire to flatter.

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JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

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A display of filial devotion is witnessed when Joe Zimmerman secures a protracted leave of absence to look after the wants of an aged father. Mr. Zimmerman, senior, has for years been publisher of a daily at Valparaiso, Ind.

An opportunity was presented for demonstrating the popularity of an unassuming gentleman when Theodore Gerber ran for teller the other night. It was the story of a famous cablegram over again: "Eclipse first, the rest nowhere."

Monotypit, the house organ of the Lanston Company, is one of the brightest periodicals on my mailing list. Under the cartoon in the last issue is the following pleasantry: "Operator—What do you think of the new foreman, Jimmie?" "Devil—Dat fellow could print all he knows in display type on a postage stamp without cancelling the stamp."

On the staff of Mr. Jenkins, the first work of the evening of myself and my associates, Messrs. Carpenter, Bateman, Harrison, and McMillan, is to get out a little daily. This paper was started by Congressmen Esch and Townsend. At its masthead is carried the name of Senator Tillman as editor-in-chief. Senator Bailey is an associate editor, and it is asserted that nothing is to appear in its pages without the O. K. of Senators Aldrich and Elkins. Some of its contributors have been reticent to acknowledge the paternity of their paragraphs. After the board of editors have agreed to kill an article it is set in line type. New matter appears in italic. Like the convict, this paper is officially known by number—12987—though the public calls it the *Rate Bill*.

I regret the city press failed to have a stenographer on hand to record the laudations at that "good-will" meeting on a "red-letter" occasion, the Ricketts testimonial at the temple on Sunday last. I had almost refrained from attending, having an idea the services would partake of a funereal character; that a notice thereof would be in the nature of an obituary. On the contrary, the music, the speeches, all most commendable, the entire ensemble, contributed to make the event a veritable oasis in the desert of a life. Chieftains come, chieftains go, unwept, unsung, yet here was given a series of dissertations on a notable instance of one who came up through the chairs—the second in command, the understudy—until he reached the highest round of the ladder. It is incidents like these that relume the fires of brotherhood.

The Board of Trade Labor Gazette, published by the British Government, states that the eight-hour day in Government workshops is a success from the employer's view point. No extra cost has been incurred by the public on account of the reduction of hours, nor has the output of work been diminished. The later hour of starting work insures greater regularity of attendance and there is an improvement in the physical condition of the men and a consequent increase in their power of production. The fact that the reduction in the hours of work had not reduced the output or increased the cost of it in private establishments or factories led the British Government to assume that the same effects would obtain in the Government workshops, and the belief has been fully justified. The shorter workday was introduced in the workshops of the United Kingdom in 1894, and everyone is reported satisfied therewith.

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QUIPS AND QUIRKS.

"The Road to Sickville," by John McIntyre, will not appear in book form.

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"Oh why disturb," the Day Man cried,
"Our souls with knocks infernal?"
"Because," the weary Night Man sighed,
"You see my work's knockturnal."

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Push the label and the requirements of business will do the rest.

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If Elijah II is not careful, he will go up in a chariot of fiery language.

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PARAGRAPHS IN JINGLES.

Our grounding ships perchance might have
Some show mid shoals unsounded
If but our sailors were in nav-
Igation better grounded.

Tillman, less rude where statesmen work,
Still has a pitchfork, which
He seizes when his tuning-fork
Is not in proper pitch.

At England's frown the Turk doth smirk,
Wrapped in his eastern fog.
Although he will not dine on pork,
He's somewhat on the hog.

"When dirt flies in the Ditch, said Stick,
"It's progress will not creep."
"But it is plain," Rake answered quick,
"It will not be dirt cheap."

A Russian legislature now
Helps man the ship of state—
Statesmen refulgent at the prow,
Reformers big with fate.
Bravely they bask in politics
In blissful disregard
Of pitchforks, muck-rakes, and big sticks
By which they'll yet be jarred.

Pinchot's been named for President.
Logrollers this won't suit;
But, mindful of their betterment,
For him the woods will root.

The Fisher Sage of Princeton states
No call to arms he's waiting.
Unvexed by problems of rebates,
He casts a fly
And blinks his eye
And just goes on rebaiting.

That he does not aspire to the Presidency—
Not unless circumstances demand it—
Is a recent assertion of William J. B.,
The resurgent political bandit.
As a receptive candidate, still in his prime,
It is likely he'll keep the wheels humming,
While his circumstance factory works overtime
In fatiferous days that are coming.

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It's a dull day now when the Muck Rake doesn't have a brush with the Big Stick.

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Discarded railway-rate amendments are almost as plentiful as broken New Year resolutions in January.

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The fool hath said within his heart, "The workingman wants higher wages with which to buy more booze."

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TO A YOUNG KNOCKER.

However rocky seems the path,
Oh, do not raise a row!
Let not the scowl of needless wrath
Invade thy noble brow.
Be thou a boquet-thrower, son,
A man of peaceful pose—
A source of kindly deeds and fun
And not of kicks and blows.

Thou dost but risk fate's rudest rub,
And everything turns blue
When thou dost join the Hammer Club
To pipe thy wild bazoo!
To meet the trials of the years
With jovial quips and quirks,
Nor mix with those ungodly steers
Who bellow through the Works.

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Opponents of organized labor fail to recognize the fact that the recipients of public charity come, as a general rule, from the ranks of the unorganized. There's a reason.

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The clothes of the sot the whole day through
In the den and dive where he flouts at view;
With his filthy talk and his leering grin
And his evil ways as a child of sin;
'Till his soul is lost in the chains of death,
And his life goes out with a gasping breath.

Rags! Rags! Rags! Rags!
The slattern gowns of the lowest hags;
In the alley black with its dust and slime,
Where the creatures dwell who are steeped in crime;
As they sleep on floors of the foulest form,
And crawl and creep from the raging storm;
With the window panes that are full of holes,
And the broken chairs and the broken bowls.

Rags! Rags! Rags! Rags!
In the paper sacks or the cotton bags;
From the poorest one that the town has known,
To the richest king on the stately throne;
On the shivering child of the winter's day,
Or thrown aside by the one at play;
By the baby, sweet as the rose in bloom,
Or the pauper, clad for a pauper's tomb.

Rags! Rags! Rags! Rags!
The black man cries as he stops and lags;
And I truly thought, as I passed along
Through the heedless ones of the city's throng,
If all were as good as the Savior taught,
Then the cart of rags would be never bought;
And the home would smile and the children sing
And the world rejoice as the birds of spring.

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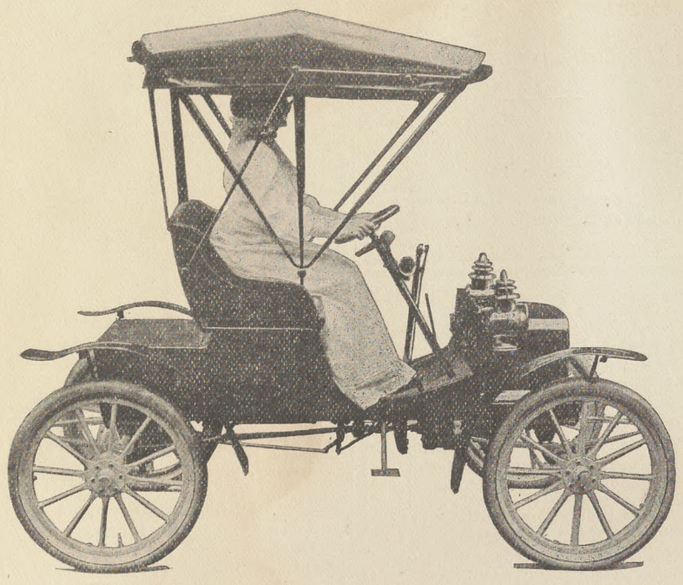

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

M. S. Persing and J. D. Gahagan, who have been absent on account of sickness, have reported for duty.

P. H. Wilkinson, who has been sick for the last year, has gone to Red Sulphur Springs. It is hoped the change may be of benefit.

The Naval Gun Factory Band gave an open-air concert at the Navy Yard Thursday evening last. Hundreds of the employes of the Yard, with their wives and sweethearts, filled the lawn to listen to the strains of sweet music.

Samuel Lescallett, leadingman in E. G. C. Shop, is absent on an indefinite furlough. He is suffering with lung trouble. He is missed by the boys, as he is a favorite with them all. There are some good bosses in the Yard, but only one Sam.

George Lawrence, in charge of the power house, is in Providence Hospital, critically ill, suffering with kidney and bladder affection. An operation was performed by a specialist a few days ago, which seems to be a benefit. Columbia Lodge is looking after his welfare during his illness.

It is a question, one not easily answered, who does the most good to society, or the most harm to the community generally, the man with the "muck rake" or the one with the whitewash brush? The former uncovers, often unconsciously, the corruption existing, not only among society, but ofttimes the maladministration of our public officials; the other, by a thorough application of the caustic solution, covers a multitude of sins, crimes and transgressions.

Bro. Arthur E. Holden, who held the position as assistant editor of the *Machinist's Journal* for some time, has been transferred to another field—that of special organizer. In my judgment no better man could have been selected, as he possesses extraordinary qualifications for such work. While we all recognize his worth as a brilliant writer and a forceful speaker and regret his absence from the *Journal*, we rejoice that he is climbing up toward the topmost rung of the ladder.

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A good man never grows old. Years may pass over his head, but if benevolence and virtue dwell in his heart, he is as cheerful as when the spring of life first opened to his view. When we look upon a good man we never think of his age. He looks as charming as when the rose of youth first bloomed on his cheek. The rose has not faded yet; it never will. In his neighborhood he is the friend and benefactor. Who does not respect and love the man who has passed his days in acts of mercy and kindness—who has been the friend of man and whose life has been a scene of kindness and love, a devotion to truth and justice? We repeat such a man cannot grow old. He will always be fresh and buoyant in humble deeds of mercy and benevolence. If the young man desires to retain the bloom and beauty of youth, let him not yield to the sway of intemperance and dissipation. Let him love truth and virtue, and to the close of life he will retain those feelings which now make life appear a garden of sweets ever fresh and ever new.

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The employes of the Yard, particularly the foundrymen, were living in expectancy that Congress would provide a new steel foundry at this session, but their hopes have been blasted. Notwithstanding the recommendation of Captain Leutze, superintendent of the Naval Gun Factory, and the earnest efforts of our business agent, E. L. Adams, seconded by organized labor, nothing could be done to defeat the strong influences of the steel combine, who are clamoring for the privilege of compelling the Government to pay twelve cents per pound for steel castings, when it was conclusively proven that the Government could furnish its own castings for seven cents per pound. It seems to me strange, when the heads of departments from the President down are clamoring for economy, that members of Congress cannot forget the party lash for once at least and act independent, when it has been so clearly established that the great steel combine is compelling Uncle Sam to pay exorbitant prices. Mr. Adams assures me that while he is disappointed he is not as yet defeated, as he will attempt to have the Senate include the steel foundry in its estimates. While it means much to the Government as a saving institution it means more to the business men of this city, as it will bring several hundred skilled workmen to the Yard, which will be the means of a greater circulation of money which will find its way in all channels of trade. Business men, it is up to you to get a hustle on yourselves if you want these improved conditions.

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

Bottlers Trouble Leading to Serious Complications in Court.

THE STAR THEATER NOW FAIR

President Adams Attacked in International Musician—Bakers' Grievance Against Carl Hoffman—Manual Training School Legislation to Receive Attention of Committee.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday, President Adams in the chair.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Local No. 22, I. A. T. S. E.: F. B. Peacock.

Journeymen Horseshoers, No. 17: Matthew Sweeney and P. Gatley, vice Charles Mero and R. G. Thompson.

The credentials were received and delegates-elect present were obligated.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Sheet Metal Workers, No. 102, protesting against employment of Legislative Delegate by this body as "unwise and an unprofitable expenditure." A motion to concur in request was put, when on a further motion the matter was laid on the table—ayes, 39; nays, 12.

From Washington Luna Park Company, inclosing contract for outing of Central Body approved by the manager. Placed on file.

From Local No. 368, Painters, stating that they had taken the Armat Motion Picture Company off the unfair list and asked like action from this body. Request granted.

From Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, in reply to communication sent him April 30 in reference to employment of members of Window Cleaners' Union at A. F. of L. headquarters. Placed on file, with instructions that secretary enter a disclaimer to any responsibility for the matter on the part of Delegate Manning.

From Metal Polishers' Union, No. 1, Detroit, Mich., asking co-operation of this body in visiting certain firms in this city handling the product of the Ideal Manufacturing Company, of Detroit, Mich., who have declared for the "open shop." Referred to Legislative Delegate.

From Columbia Typographical Union, indorsing action of Central Body in placing Schondau & Lynch, Powers & Daly, Mudd & Brown, and Richard Collins on the unfair list. Placed on file.

From Local No. 368, Painters, indorsing action of Central Body in placing J. F. Herrmann & Son and Arlington Bottling Company on unfair list and placing fine of $5 on any member who patronizes a place handling goods from either house.

From Bakers' Union, No. 118, inclosing a grievance against Carl Hoffman, baker. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Hod Carriers and Building Laborers' Union, No. 21, relative to request to secure contract from a contractor in the city.

From Painters' Union, No. 368, asking that Bobinger Bros., Cabin John Bridge, be placed on unfair list. Referred to Grievance Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Grievance Committee reported progress.

Special committee on Elite Laundry Company new building reported that so far as could be learned it was a case of employment of "dual" organizations of Hod Carriers and Building Laborers.

From special committee on use of committee rooms, reporting substance of agreement with agent of Typographical Temple and this body, and asking that committee be enlarged and continued. Request granted, and Delegates Spohn, Winslow, and McCarthy added to committee.

Bills amounting to $66.75 were read and ordered paid.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Bottlers: That they were still on strike.

The secretary reported that he had been summoned to appear before the United States district attorney in "John Doe" proceedings against the Brewery Workers' Locals in this city.

Amalgamated Carpenters: Delegate Adams asked that our Legislative Delegate be requested to advance the union label. Agreed to.

Carriage and Wagon Workers: That they were starting in the third week of their strike, and looked for a conclusion of it in their favor in a short time.

Carpet Mechanics: Delegate Colpoys read an article from the *International Musician*, relative to the Naval Gun Factory Band, in which the character of the president of the Central Body was assailed, and offered a resolution condemning the article in question, which was referred to a special committee to investigate and endeavor to place the responsibility for the authorship of the article and enter a denial of same, with request that it be published in the *International Musician*. The chair appointed Delegates Spohn, Beaumont, and Colpoys on the committee.

Mill Workers' Helpers: That their charter would be open for thirty days, with an initiation fee of $1.00.

Plumbers: That they were now in the twelfth week of their strike; that Samuel Artz, master plumber, who is on the "We Do Not Patronize List," is doing work on a building owned by Robert Dore and occupied by H. C. Easterday, druggist. On motion, the secretary was directed to write Messrs. Dore and Easterday and request that they use union labor on the job.

Grocery Clerks: That they would give their annual outing at Luna Park on June 19, and asked delegates to attend and give the date full publicity in their unions. Also requested a committee to call on F. W. Kahlert, grocer, Fourth and Rhode Island avenue northwest, and ask him to observe union closing hours. The chair appointed Delegates Dickman, Sprague, and McCarthy on the committee.

Sheet Metal Workers: That they had placed the Anheuser-Busch Brewing Company, Rose Brothers, and Randall Steamboat Company on their unfair list.

Stone Laborers: That they had eight "open shop" firms in this city, and requested aid of the Central Labor Union. The delegate was informed that the matter was in the hands of the Organization Committee.

Window Cleaners: Asked that building trades members ask for card of man who cleans windows on new buildings.

NEW BUSINESS.

Delegate Dickman asked for appropriation of $25 for Public Playgrounds Committee. A point of order being raised that time for appropriation (10.30) had passed, on motion it was made the special order for 8.15 next meeting.

Secretary Winslow called attention to the attempt being made to change the course of study in manual training schools in this city, and asked for appointment of a committee to enter a protest against such proposed change. The chair appointed Delegates Winslow, Ring, and Spohn on the committee.

A resolution asking for acceptance of fraternal delegates from "The American Anti-Trust League" was presented, and on motion was referred to the Organization Committee.

Adjourned.

A Card.

LANGDON, D. C.

We wish to thank the members of the various Divisions of the Government Printing Office for their kind remembrance to us in our hour of trouble.

Mrs. JULIA KELLY and Family.

Joseph Auerbach, 623 Penna. ave., sells the Sweet-Orr make of overalls and coats.

Free Lecture.

The lecture to be given on Monday next at Typographical Temple is one of a high order of merit. Dr. Skellinger has given the lecture many times and the views are unsurpassed. The subject, "Rips From the Rockies," dwells on the grandeur of the scenery in Colorado and furnishes an hour and a half of entertainment.

The general public is invited.

Joseph Auerbach, 623 Penna., ave., sells the Brigham & Hopkins Baltimore make straw hats.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

COLUMBIA UNION MEETING

Newspaper Scale Arbitration Report Received and Adopted.

OUTING TO LUNA PARK IN JULY

Norfolk Union Wants to Reduce Strike Assessment—Contributions Received From Manila, P. I.—Union Accepts Engraving of Franklin From the Public Printer.

The regular monthly meeting of Columbia Typographical Union was held Sunday afternoon, President Berg in the chair.

The minutes of the last regular and special meetings were read and approved.

Traveling cards received during past month were read and accepted.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.

The membership Committee presented a favorable report on application of M. F. Harrison for membership, which was adopted and the gentleman duly elected.

The committee also reported a favorable report on applications of E. P. Boring and Abner Proctor, to be transferred to the superannuated roll, and the transfers were ordered duly made.

Bills for supplies and printing amounting to $35.60 were read and ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From American Federation of Labor, inclosing copy of Labor's Bill of Grievances. Placed on file.

From Central Labor Union asking indorsement of that body in placing certain horse shoe shops on unfair list. Referred to Grievance Committee.

From Retail Clerks Union, No. 262, extending thanks for aid rendered in getting contracts from certain firms in this city.

From Public Playgrounds Committee, asking financial assistance in aid of its project. On motion, appropriation of $25 was made for that purpose.

From Portland, Akron, and Springfield Unions relative to unfair publications. Placed on file.

From N. B. Talbott, of Baltimore, asking that his brother be exempted from dues. Referred to Membership Committee.

Protest from Women's Label League, of Colorado Springs, Colo., charging Union Printers Home management with patronizing firms unfair to organized labor and circular from Colorado Springs Union denying charges of the Label League. Placed on file.

From Norfolk (Va.) Typographical Union, requesting indorsement of resolutions calling on Executive Council to submit the question of reducing the 10 per cent assessment to 5 per cent to a referendum vote. Referred to Eight-Hour Committee, who recommended that no action be taken at this time, which was concurred in.

Application of Z. W. Denham for admission to the Home was presented. Referred to committee, and being subsequently reported favorably the application was indorsed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Laws Committee reported favorably the amendment of Mr. Seibold creating an executive committee.

Mr. Love moved to strike out "chairmen of all standing committees" and substitute "one representative from each organized chapel," which, on division, was voted down—yeas, 48; nays, 73.

Mr. Dickman, from Central Labor Union delegates, reported that the Arlington Bottling Co. and J. F. Herrmann & Son had been placed on the unfair list of the Central Labor Union. Also that a free stereopticon lecture would be given by Rev. D. W. Skellinger, entitled "Rips from the Rockies," in Typographical Temple, Monday evening, May 28, to which all were welcome.

The Relief Committee reported enough money on hand to meet requirements at present.

Mr. Hall, from Allied Printing Trades Council, reported that the Council had in preparation printing in regard to the label which would be sent to the business men of this city shortly.

The Grievance Committee reported on communication of Cigarmakers Union No. 110, relative to O'Donnell Drug Co., and requested the secretary to inform that Union that this Union has laws regulating purchase of non-union cigars. Concurred in.

The committee appointed to make inquiry as to certain legislation on printing the "Federal Reporter Digest" reported that they had been assured that no discrimination would be made in letting out the contract. Placed on file.

The Newspaper Scale Committee presented its report, embodying the finding of the National Board of Arbitration, and a bill of expenses. On motion the report of the committee was concurred in and the bill ordered paid.

The Eight-Hour Committee presented its report, through Chairman T. C. Parsons, who called attention to the fact that it was necessary to put into operation the 10 per cent assessment upon earnings of members, which had been adopted by a referendum vote. On motion the recommendation was concurred in, to take effect after payment of May cards.

The chairman of the committee, desiring to learn the attitude of the Union regarding payment of benefits to members placed on strike rolls, on motion the action of the committee was indorsed.

The Luna Park Co., was, on motion, given a vote of thanks for placing Luna Park at the disposal of the Eight-Hour Committee July 12 free of cost, and sale of tickets to accrue to the committee. On motion the secretary was directed to request an eight-hour provision be inserted in the District of Columbia bill in Congress.

OFFICERS REPORTS.

The president reported two deaths since last meeting. He also read a letter from John S. Leech, public printer of Bureau of Printing, Manila, P. I, inclosing a liberal contribution to the Union for eight-hour fund; also from J. A. Hogsette, sending contributions to the same fund.

The president also presented to the Union, in the name of Chas. A. Stillings, Public Printer, a picture of Benjamin Franklin, which was accepted, and the secretary was directed to send thanks of the Union to Mr. Stillings.

The president also reported that, in accordance with the Union's instructions, he had secured the services of a gentleman to look after interests of the Union at the Capitol and that good work had been accomplished.

The secretary reported result of the recent election.

The secretary reported that the sum of $1,497.35 had been raised for the relief of San Francisco Union, to which he had added $2.65 to make the total $1,500. The action of the secretary was indorsed.

On motion 1 per cent was allowed to chairmen for collection of assessment.

Adjourned.

Joseph Auerbach, 623 Penna. ave., sells the Manhattan Negligee Shirts.

Columbia Typographical Union.

ARRIVALS.

E. D. King, jr., Princeton, N. J.
DeWitt Willis, York, Pa.
J. M. Sutton, Raleigh, N. C.
R. M. McClary, Columbia, S. C.

DEPARTURES.

G. W. Buckingham.	A. J. Symonds.
T. C. Boyd.	James B. Huss.
E. H. Fisher.	W. E. Drenner.
John H. Smith.	B. F. Carll.
W. H. Anglin.	J. J. Shevlin.
John F. Newton.	F. M. Bland.
W. H. Crowther.	Frank Bates.
E. L. May.	A. Dietz.
J. McMeekin.	Norman Sandridge.
W. R. Mowen.	J. C. Bohl.
Wm. A. Bailey.	J. L. Gittings.
D. R. Wilson.	Taylor Wilson.
T. J. Galvin.	L. C. Hay.
Roy D. Bradley.	H. C. Dobbs.
D. H. Witherspoon.	Geo. H. Ellis.

WITHDRAWALS.

J. S. Ziegler.	C. Vaughan.
Emma F. Conaway.	A. Zimmerman, jr.
Harry Miller.	T. F. Harris.
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DEATHS.

Chas. W. Kelly.	R. H. Lyles.

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Though the denatured-alcohol measure, alas,
Should be lost in irrelevant laughter,
It might help some if a bill they'd pass
For a denatured morning after.

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After Congress adjourns, the Man with the Muck Rake might tackle the path between the White House and the Senate.

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There is breakfast food for thought in the meretricious advertising methods of at least one of the opponents of organized labor.

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With watered stock the trusts all found
This earth a pleasant spot
Till Roosevelt stirred the Big Stick round
And made the water hot.

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Secretary Taft having broken his six-months' fast, the square meal again has a square deal in the War Department.

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The standpat statesmen refuse to be pried
From their stand that revision's an evil;
Yet there's hardly a doubt they will be satisfied,
Without fear of a business upheaval,
If the tariff by safe and sane degrees
Is revised by the time, by gravy,
When President Hobson sweeps the seas
With his two-billion-dollar navy.

WILLIAM TIPTON TALBOTT.

From the Canal Zone.

Secretary George G. Seibold has received the following letter from George F. Halsey, who is in charge of the printing plant at Ancon, Canal Zone:

PANAMA, *May 4, 1906.*

FRIEND SEIBOLD: I am sending you draft for $15 to apply on my dues. Philip Moseley has been transferred to Panama as timekeeper in the Building Comstruction Department. Am running my presses three nights each week of three hours' duration, price and one-half. I have 124 requisitions unfinished on my record book, and these forms run from 250 to 100,000 each. You can have some idea of the material I use when with a complete office I have been compelled to send an order for 100 pounds each of 6, 8, 12, and 18-point quads and 100 pounds of tabular to my already 400 pounds. My two ruling machines are in full blast and the third will soon be put in position. Machinists are now putting in a new 25-horsepower engine and shafting for all the presses—13 and a new two-revolution cylinder. The rainy season has set in, but during the dry season the streets of the city have been paved with vitrified brick, so the terrors of Pluvius are nil. Am still in the best of health and I hear of little sickness. Yet, as this is the time for Jack Yellow to make his appearance, there is no telling what may occur.

By the way, I see one Geo. Hayden is running for delegate. I want to have you advise my friends that he is liable to practice the Dudley blocks of five in his campaign and inject some of the iniquitous methods practiced in Alexandria and the Sixth Division Chapel. He will bear watching, for, like the proverbial fisherman, "what he can't catch, he'll buy!"

With regards to my friends, and hoping the eight-hour day has been practically established, I am,

Fraternally yours,

GEO. F. HALSEY.

Try oyster pan roast, 10c. Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, North Capitol and G street.

Takes Leave of Uncle Sam.

George R. Brandon severed his connection with the Government Printing Office on Tuesday of this week. Mr. Brandon first entered the big printery in May, 1875, and with the exception of about four years his term of service with Uncle Sam was continuous from that time to this, serving both as compositor and maker up. He belongs to the "old line" school of printers and has experienced the vicissitudes which were apart of that rugged training little known to the apprentice and journeyman of to-day. He first began the trade in an office at Gettysburg, when the late Thad. Slentz served as roller-boy and where Chas. W. Baker, now of the Specification Division, and Jerry Sterner, of the Patent Office both graduated with honors. Mr. Brandon has not been in the best of health of late, and it was on this account that he laid down the "stick," resolved to spend the remaining years on his farm at Fairfax Court House. He retires with the sincere good wishes of a large circle of friends.

After Shaving, Kenealy's Bay Rum, the finest; pints, 50c. Drug Store, North Capitol and Eye.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

Necessity for Permanent Relief Fund.

At the time of the great Baltimore holocaust, through the kindly intercession of the officials of Columbia Union, No. 101, the machinery of the Civil Service was set aside and the unfortunate printers, victims of the great disaster, were temporarily provided with situations in the Government Printing Office.

The writer became acquainted with one of these men in the Specification Division, and in a conversation concerning the conditions of the printing craft when machines were first placed in the book and newspaper offices of Baltimore, he said:

"No one, not a native of Baltimore, can realize the distress of the displaced members of Baltimore Union, caused primarily by the introduction of typesetting machines."

Now, this article is not intended as a discussion of the machine question, much less a criticism. The point will appear further on. But to return to the Baltimore printer's statement.

"Some," he said, "were driven insane through the loss of their situations; others committed suicide, and many, being without means to relieve their destitution, were forced to appeal to, and were assisted by, the Union."

Having premised my subject, my logical conclusion is this: The great eight-hour struggle, for the first time in the history of unionism, has created all over the land relief funds, in charge of committees whose duties are to see that the moneys placed within their control are properly distributed to deserving members who have come out of struck offices at the call of their respective unions. The design of these relief funds is, of course, to keep union printers from entering non-union offices. Such members are therefore not regarded as objects of charity.

But, is it not time to gravely consider the question, Should there not be established a permanent fund for the relief of those out of employment from any just cause? In Australia to-day there is provided by the State employment at least for any who have been forced by misfortune to request it. Such can come or go as they chose without ceremony or form, and consequently there is no such thing as absolute penury.

The time is coming, it is near at hand, when there will be those who never dreamed of such a thing who will be forced to rely on their unions for support. It is not easy for those who have held good-paying situations for many years, and who have been lulled into a sense of security, to grasp the situation as it now exists. The heart is hardened and the sympathies become callous by continued prosperity. The "every one for himself and the devil take the hindmost" policy is not so prominent as it once was. We are overcoming barbarism. Even the coal barons have ceased to fight each other and regard each other's interest as their own—at the expense of the public, of course. But let us take a step further and regard each other's interest as more than our own, to the extent at least of providing for the necessities of our brethren when misfortune, from any cause, has rendered them fit subjects for relief.

OSCAR W. HUMPHREY.

Washington Honored.

In the recent election for officers of the International Woman's Auxiliary, Mrs. A. W. Bowen, of this city, a member of Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13, was chosen International president. Mrs. Bowen has been an active worker in No. 13, and deserves the honor bestowed on her.

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Oysters in every style at R. A. Driscoll's, North Capitol and G street. Overholt whisky, 10c.

Another Georgian.

W. B. Johnson, of the Government Printing Office, reports another boy at his house, born May 22. Mr. Johnson is doing his share toward making a name for Georgia.

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TRADES UNIONIST AGENCY

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Regulating Employment Agencies.

Labor organizations are vitally interested in the bill now before Congress to regulate employment agencies in the District of Columbia, due to the fact that in many instances those agencies are used to delude the unemployed into taking positions where strikes are in progress.

Under supervision of the District authorities agencies of this character would of necessity be compelled to give all necessary information to applicants for positions, and should the applicant desire to take the position he or she would not be unadvised as to its character.

The Washington *Post*, with its usual promptness, in calling attention to this worthy measure, says:

The House Committee on the District of Columbia has unanimously reported a bill for the regulation of employment agencies which deserves the conscientious consideration of Congress. A similar bill is pending in the Senate. The joint investigation conducted by the Public Education Association and the intermunicipal research committee, by expert investigators, revealed a condition of affairs in Washington in connection with the employment of women and girls, both white and colored, that is mildly described as shocking. Robbery of destitute seekers of employment and the betrayal of ignorant females into places of bad repute were discovered to be common practices by some of the employment agencies, with no effective law to punish the guilty or shield the innocent. Similar conditions revealed in other cities have been stopped by the enactment of ordinances imposing an adequate license tax upon employment agencies, with requirements as to good character and provision for proper regulation of their establishments.

The bill reported by the House committee is based upon the law in effect in Boston, which has been found to be quite effective in putting a stop to the worst of the abuses that had prevailed. It is provided that licenses shall be issued by the District Commissioners to persons of good character, and that a bond shall be required insuring compliance with the labor laws. Proper punishment is prescribed for violation of the terms of the act.

On the next District day this bill should be passed by the House and sent to the Senate, in order that existing abuses may be stopped. Now that the condition of affairs is known, it would be unfortunate to postpone the remedy until next winter.

Labor Unions and Their Enemies.

THIRD PAPER.

Labor organizations were established to improve the condition of the working people, to give them more wages that they might have better food, better clothing and better homes; to give them shorter hours of labor that they might have more time to improve their health and increase their knowledge; to give them opportunity to know their country better, to understand its government and the principles upon which it is based, that they might be better represented in the executive, legislative, and judicial departments, so that their happiness would be more looked to in making, executing and defining laws. Notwithstanding these ideas in their formation, labor organizations have always excluded party matters from their deliberations, and even a reference to something political, however remote, would raise a question of order on a speaker, and that part of his intended remarks would have to be abandoned. Party politics was made a fetish of, by nearly the whole body of the people, workingmen included, and so strong was partisanship that it would override unionism all the time. We were party men before we were union men, and therefore the union had to give way before party. This, however inconsistent, was not strange among a free people. Devotion to party was devotion to the country, for the country was managed and directed by party.

Of course the parties took no notice of the fact that working people were compelled to wage a war for their advancement, or the other fact that the rulers of the country were its business interests, the capitalists, and that in their ruling they were conducting the government first for themselves, and secondarily for the great body of the people, the workers of the country. If the working people succeeded to their own, the laws had to be changed, the judiciary had to be reconstructed, not being guided by the precedents of the past, which were fixed in the interests of the ruling classes, but looking to the future, wherein it is to be hoped the rights of man and the opportunities of men, will have more to do in legislative and executive action as well as in judicial interpretation. It is probable that many people look more to governmental action for the reform evils than they should, but it is undoubtedly true, if working people are to enjoy their full rights, that legislation is necessary; but it is also necessary that the government shall be in sympathy with needs of the toilers, ever guarding their interests from the machinations of those who would by artifice and cunning deprive them of their own. Then it would appear that labor people should not shut themselves off from having their full influence in the governmental affairs of the country, when it is so necessary that they should control and use any power to secure that justice to which as men they are entitled.

It is not necessary for the purposes of organized labor that its members should not be partisan. It is only nec essary that their partisanship should not dominate the interests of their organizations. If they put their parties above their unions, then they must look to their parties, and not to their unions, for their advancement of their social interests. They might do this if they were strong enough to control their respective parties. But they are not. How often have we seen labor men nominated on political tickets go down in defeat, while other candidates on the same ticket were elected. It is necessary for labor people to be represented in Congress and in the legislatures of the several States if their public interests are to be advanced, yet how many representatives have labor people in Congress or the State legislatures? A little reflection will convince any workingman that as a means of advancing the interests of the working people, government by parties in the past has not been, to say the least, a great success. Why not try other means and put a little brains and devotion to the interests of labor in our politics. Why not say, whatever happens politically, we will put our interests as working people in our political action? We will have smart fellows against us, but if we hold together all their cunning cannot not avail to overthrow us. We can nominate our friends who will stand by us, or nominate workingmen themselves to office, and elect them too, if we are faithful to our cause. When we have a candidate who is our friend, or a workingman on any ticket, if we elect him we will soon be embarrassed by the numbers of people who will desire our support, and party managers themselves will be anxious to make terms with us. Party politics is the mightiest weapon labor people have within their power to wield, and it would be strange indeed if they failed to use it. Let them first learn how to use it, and then use it with all their strength.

Many, if not most people, consider numbers to be strength. That is not always the case, and frequently numbers fail when a smaller well-disclipined body would have succeeded. As a most determined union man once said of his city, the "trouble with this town is that, while there are five thousand members of unions in it, there are so few true union men among them." It is devotion to a cause and discipline in a cause which tells when a conflict arises. If men are not true to a cause, the cause is better off without them; if men are true, but will not submit to the majority, they are apt to be a weakness instead of strength.

As a class it may be said that working people, in politics at least, put too much confidence in others. Confidence is a great thing when those in whom we confide are worthy of our confidence. But in labor matters we should put confidence in ourselves alone. Jefferson tells us that free government is founded in jealousy and not in confidence, and it is certain that labor people will succeed best who trust their own. We have many great men in public life, but when it comes to labor demands we may be certain that they will be against us, for their breeding, their education, their company, is a most certain to place them on the other side. Take the open shop, a test which non-unionism is trying to make us conform to, and how many popular or personal heroes are on our side. And yet, if the open shop should be adopted by unionists, unionism would soon have no weight even among workingmen. Let us trust ourselves, and then we shall not be betrayed, whatever else may happen. And we should make ourselves worthy of trust, by being absolutely sincere, honest, truthful, and "square" in our daily life, and by attending to our duties as unionists, prove our devotion to our cause, and what is right between man and man. A combination of bad men must fail, a combination of weak men, even in a good cause, will probably fail; but a combination of true men in a righteous cause cannot fail.

FIDELIS.

BROCKWELL'S BITS.

Of three things Delegate-Elect Smith is thoroughly (and properly) proud—his election as delegate, the splendid vote (all but one) he received in his own chapel, and the beautiful bouquet presented to him by the members of the force where he works when he showed up for duty on Thursday night.

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Mathematics and morals: For twenty years I have been a member of the Union; for twenty years that membership has added at least twenty per cent to my earnings. What kind of a moralist or mathematician would I be to refuse to pay ten per cent on my earnings for a few months should such a sacrifice become necessary?

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I am delighted to know that E. J. Handly, an old compatriot of mine on Specifications, is able to resume work. If natural vitality and indomitable will count for anything Ed will soon be his old self. I sincerely trust that such will be the case. One of these days when Brother Charles E. Gunn is not looking I am going to relate a story to show what a "hot one" Uncle Ned Handly really is.

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Billy O'Brien was sauntering around the polls at strike headquarters. The "knowledgeable" party approached, tendering advice as to how to make up a proper ticket. Billy, having no opposition, was in good spirits, and so "agreed" to deposit the vote which the striker should indicate. The ballot was carefully prepared and handed to the peaceful and good-natured O'Brien, but when he unfolded it prior to voting—of course with a view to changing it to suit himself—he admits he was a bit staggered, for it really carried out his ideas almost exactly, save that his own name, the only one under "For Vice-President," was scratched out!

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Up to this time, as pointed out last week, members of Columbia Union have had only a slight burden to bear on account of the strike. With the June card, if the plan adopted at Sunday's meeting of the Union is carried out, we will begin paying the ten per cent assessment—something that most unions have been doing for many months past. It may be that at the special meeting next Sunday the Union may decide on a further loan on the Temple, thus continuing for the present the easy conditions that have obtained here, and such a course would doubtless be wise; but should the full assessment be deemed necessary, let us meet this duty—and a more sacred one has never rested upon us—in a proper spirit. It will entail denial and sacrifice, and possibly hardship on many of us, but no man of ordinary courage, of average integrity, of basic honesty, would surrender on account of these things. Let there be no break in the ranks. We are not only contending for our rights in the matter of short hours and decent conditions—we are in a larger and grander sense fighting the battle of humanity and civilization.

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Among military men the most contemptible of all creatures is the soldier who deliberately deserts in the face of the enemy. The world shares this view in all the affairs of men. Therefore I cannot believe that any considerable number of our membership will prove false to the organization and themselves by failing to bear a share in the struggle now at hand; but if such there are among us, let them be not deceived by the leniency extended to a few backsliders in the recent past. We have been patient, almost kind. Henceforward let us be just, and let that justice take the form of publicly painting the word "rat" opposite the names of all such as are guilty of desertion at this supreme hour and at this supreme testing time of manhood, courage, and honor.

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I met F. C. Roberts a few nights after the election, and he was very happy and properly jubilant. He had a bunch of letters congratulating him on his success. Among them was one which he said gave him almost as much pleasure as his election. The writer is an old and respected member of Columbia Union, and up to a few years ago was a genuine wheel horse in the work of the organization. The letter follows:

BERWYN, MD., *May 17, 1906.*

MY DEAR F. C.:

Heartiest congratulations! Wonders will never cease! The unexpected has happened! My faith in human nature has risen several points, for Columbia Union has done the handsome and proper thing in rewarding by a significant and flattering vote a man who has given the organization and our craft generally many years of earnest, valuable, and, more than once, personally dangerous service.

Fraternally and cordially yours,

S. H. BELL.

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At one of the handsome homes in the fashionable northwest section a few nights since a rather unusual proceeding was pulled off. About a thousand dollars' worth of fine wines and whiskies were yanked out of the cellar, the heads of the barrels and kegs knocked in, and the contents poured into the streets. This function grew out of the fact that the family having such a well-stocked cellar had been converted to the theories of a temperance society, a special meeting of which, it seems, was held at the before-mentioned home to see that the job was properly done. Oh! Temperance, what assinine things are oft done in thy name—what paltry mountebanks pose as thy disciples! I never saw a real dervish dance, but a writer whose lines I followed with interest informs me that such are "indeed wild and full of frenzy;" and hence I imagine that this was about the best imitation of such a thing that one could view this side of the Soudan. Probably within a half dozen blocks of where this emptying of the casks took place could have been found a score of destitute sick who would have hailed as a godsend even a little of these fine wines for perfectly legitimate and humane purposes; but the "lodge" needed a holiday—mayhap an object lesson—and so the walks were washed with the wine. What a scene for the sane human and the offended gods—these "temperance" people indulging in such a thoroughly intemperate act. I am not a boozer, not even a moderate drinker, and I know that the rum curse is one of the worst things in the world; but—well, I do hate to see a fool working overtime. I won't say these barrel busters need a cell in St. Elizabeth's—it wouldn't be parliamentary; but if the things are happening there that some of the witnesses tell about, it wouldn't have been a bad idea to send a barrel or so of the fine old stuff over there to some of the sick and weak short-rationed insane—certainly a better and more sensible use of it than the tawdry scheme of using it as a gutter flusher.

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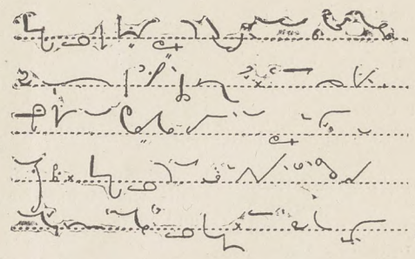

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Sixth Division.

George Ellis, a First Division compositor, has resigned.

James M. Weaver, who operates Merg. 13 of the Sixth Division, is busy just now making out an itinerary for a tour of the West, which he contemplates making in the not distant future.

Plans for Decoration Day outings are now being arranged by G. P. O. employes. One group of printers are planning a trip to Colonial Beach to assist in the opening of Mrs. Bussius' cottage, "The Renshaw."

Immediately after the returns of the late election were in, which showed that Geo. S. Fletcher and H. C. Town, of the Sixth, were elected alternate delegates, those two gentlemen proceeded to go on leave. The weight of office hangs mighty heavily on some people's shoulders.

From W. H. Anglin, recently connected with the G. P. O., but now of Macon, Ga., comes the interesting news through a letter to his old friend, Joe Sheehan, of the *Record*, that he is succeeding better than he had anticipated in securing work. He states that the printing business in the South is flourishing and that many, especially Mergenthaler operators, could secure employment if they would but come to the Southland.

Mr. Frank Lippincott, who conducts a printing office on Pennsylvania avenue southeast, who is also well known in the G. P. O., where he was employed for several seasons will next week enter the Episcopal Eye, Ear, and Throat Hospital for the purpose of undergoing an operation for his eyesight. The operation is said to be a delicate one, and his G. P. O. friends join in a wish for its success. He is the father of L. P. Lippincott, of the Sixth Division.

Friends of Edward P. Stanley, the little man of the Night Bill Force, have already started a boom for him as a candidate for delegate to the I. T. U. when that body meets at Blankville next year. A mighty good idea that, for should hard times strike the Union, and the need of a reduction in the delegates' pay become necessary, "Shorty" can be sent on a half-fare railroad ticket, and a saving in mileage at least accomplished. Hooray for "Shorty" and reform!

Word was received last week of the election of Mrs. A. W. Bowen as president of the International Woman's Auxiliary. Not only do I congratulate Mrs. Bowen, but also the Auxiliary, in choosing for its president a woman so eminently fitted for the position, and so enthusiastic in the cause. Locally Mrs. Bowen is a hard worker for the Auxiliary, and it is safe to predict the same zeal which has always entered into her labors here will go into International affairs, and that body prosper under her administration.

When George Washington University confers upon its graduating class the degree of doctor of laws next month, three more followers of Blackstone will have been added to the list of G. P. O. employes who have taken the course in that institution, with the chances of many more to be heard from who are students of other schools. Those who graduate from George Washington University are Allen G. Flowers and Warren L. Wilmeth, of the Fifth, and Franklin O. Sanders, of the Third Division. Here's hoping the pathways to fame for these gentlemen may be short ones.

When W. R. Johns, recently resigned from the Proof Room of the G. P. O., sails for Manila, he will carry with him a handsome leather traveling companion, the gift of his associates for the past fifteen years in Uncle Sam's printery. Mr. Johns has resigned to accept the position of head of the proof room of the Government shop at Manila, and Monday being his last day in the G. P. O. his friends of the Proof Room in chapel assembled presented him with the above-mentioned article and enough good wishes to fill it. Foreman Chas. W. Robinson made a timely and appropriate presentation speech, after which Mr. Johns received the hearty handshakes and good wishes of his Proof Room associates.

"All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." That's what the St. Louis Type Foundry says on its circular announcing the closing down of the establishment on Saturday afternoon during the summer. The above brings to mind the fact that the time for the Saturday half holiday in the G. P. O. is fast approaching, and if those who make the annual pilgrimage to the White House in behalf of the cause would make a little extra effort I believe arrangements could be made whereby the G. P. O. employes would get a "half holiday" (not three and a half hours) and would be turned loose at twelve o'clock instead of pegging away until 1 o'clock on an empty stomach. It is worth trying for, at least.

I have been asked by a number of wheelmen recently to advocate through THE TRADES UNIONIST the setting aside by the G. P. O. officials of a room in the old building where those who ride wheels to the office might store them during the day free of charge. To such a proposition on first thought the reply would be that there are a number of places near the office which make a business of storing wheels during the day for the small sum of one dollar per month. That's the idea, exactly. One dollar per month. It may seem a small sum to the single fellow who has nobody but himself (not even a yellow dog) to care for, but to the married man one dollar a month means twelve dollars a year, and twelve dollars comes in mighty handy along about Christmas time when a number of little stockings need filling, or as Easter approaches and the better half of the household throws a few broadsides at you about a new top piece. Those who have spoken to me on the subject say a place is provided for the storing of wheels by most all the other Government departments, and it does not seem unreasonable to expect that as long as the G. P. O. has the room to spare a similar accommodation might be given those of its employes who desire such privileges.

It is strange how hard some people will take the defeat of a candidate whom they have advocated or regret the election of one whom they have opposed. For instance since the recent Typographical Union election a number of of men of that character have referred to the forces of the day and night *Record* as a bunch of "quillers" because almost to a man the two forces cast their vote for John R. Berg. This statement applies particularly to a limited number of members of the First Division, and yet I will venture the assertion that had the name of the foreman of that Division been on the ticket he would have received the unanimous endorsement of all those employed there. To my own knowledge I know of men from the First Division who have cast reflections on members of the *Record* forces for the vote given to Mr. Berg who advocated the candidacy of Mr. Bowen for president, as against T. C. Parsons. Still I am not willing to believe they did so with the desire to "quill" in view. It is but human nature for those in the ranks to respect a chief who is free from "pinheadedness," and to show their appreciation of a square man whenever the opportunity presents itself. That's the reason why Mr. Berg got his vote, and that's the reason why the First Division would do the same thing had Mr. Bowen's name been on the ticket. Good men were defeated in the last election, just as they have been in the past, and the chances are will continue to be in future, but the returns showed that Columbia Union preferred for its representatives Messrs. Roberts, Smith, and Berg, and Miss McDonald, and true unionism teaches us to bow to the will of the majority and congratulate the winners.

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Beginning promptly at 12.10 o'clock on Tuesday next, the G. P. O. Glee Club, composed mostly of employes on the seventh floor, will give the annual Memorial Day concert in the main hallway of the new building. There are sixteen voices in the club, as follows:

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When death claimed Mrs. Susannah B. Chapman last week one of the most unique characters and one of the oldest employes was removed from the bindery service of the G. P. O. Although unknown by name, most of the office employes knew by sight the little bent form as, weighted down by the burden of years of toil, and carrying a big basket which but few were permitted to know of its contents, she came to the daily scenes of her vocation year after year through heat and cold, sunshine and storm. Death, however, has removed the mask from that basket, and hungry mouths scattered throughout the city must now look to others to supply the necessaries of life which the little old woman carried to those she found in need, keeping back from her most intimate friends the knowledge of her generosity. A younger woman will take her place and more nimble fingers perform her work in the G. P. O., where it will soon be forgotten that she once existed. But in lowly homes where poverty reigns many a hungry soul will mourn her departure and watch in vain for the coming of the old woman with her well-filled basket of food.

Susannah Chapman was an old woman. Nobody knows exactly how old, for behind are left no records of her birth. No relatives remain to mourn, for none she had, but her associates in the Bindery, members of the Eastern Star, Legion of Loyal Women, and the Woman's Relief Corps saw to it that the lifeless body of the little old woman was tenderly placed away.

Somewhere down in the land of Dixie in one of Uncle Sam's big cemeteries the bodies of a husband and son lie, the victims of civil war, and what few records are left show her husband to have been a Mason of high standing, and the cause of her many years of devotion of the Grand Army boys and the sister association of the Masonic fraternity. Many believe she came to the G. P. O. soon after the close of the war, but be that as it may, she was there a long time, and most of the money she earned went to purchase comfort for others.

The funeral occurred on last Saturday, the interment being in Masonic circle at Glenwood. At the services Miss McDonald, of the Legion of Loyal Women, and Miss Lucille E. Smith, of the Bindery, each sang a solo, and at the grave the hands of her fellow workwomen of the Bindery tenderly performed the last service possible for the little old eccentric woman, the magnitude of whose charity is known only to her Maker.

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From time to time the heads of different churches formulate a form of prayer to suit a particular occasion. I think the time is opportune that there should be formulated one to suit the avaricious greed of the landlord, who has raised his rents out of proportion to the increase of the wage. If I was called on to formulate a prayer to suit the times, it would run in this manner;

The earth is thine, O Lord, and all that is contained therein, notwithstanding that Thou hast given the possession thereof unto the children to pass over the time of their short pilgrimage in this vale of misery.

We heartily pray Thee to send Thy holy spirit into the hearts of them that possess the grounds and dwelling places of the earth that they, remembering themselves to be Thy tenants, may not reach and stretch out the rents of their houses and lands nor yet take unreasonable rates after the manner of covetous worldlings, but so let them out to others that the inhabitants thereof may both be able to pay the rents and also honestly to live, to nourish their families, and to relieve the poor. Give them grace also to consider that they are but strangers and pilgrims in this world, having here no dwelling place, but seeking one to come; that they, remembering the short continuance of their life, may be content with that which is sufficient and not join house to house nor couple land to land to the impoverishment of others, but so behave themselves in letting out their houses and lands that after this life they may be received into everlasting dwelling places through their humanity to their tenants. Amen.

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James R. Reynolds, a sanitary expert, has been appointed by President Roosevelt to examine into the sanitary condition of the several Government Departments, including the Navy Yard, and to submit his report direct to his chief. The President believes that many defects now existing in the Departments can be remedied by Departmental or Executive order, not requiring legislation. Mr. Reynolds paid a high compliment to Columbia Lodge of Machinists when he personally solicited their business agent, E. L. Adams, to accompany him during his inspection of the Navy Yard. Mr. Adams, who had familiarized himself with existing conditions, pointed out all the defects and suggested proper remedies.

I understand that the report of Mr. Reynolds will be of a confidential nature; therefore it will only be a surmise on my part as to its character. I am of the belief, however, that the attention of the President will be called to defective sewerage, protection to life and limb from the dangers to mechanics who run grinding machines, inadequate facilities for storing workmen's clothing, defective washing facilities, and poor facilities as regard lunch stands, which are now out in the open air and not conducive to the comfort of the workmen. I believe also that he will recommend in case of the new foundry being a reality that bathrooms be constructed for the employees on account of the nature of their work. I trust when he makes his report to the President it will be made public and will include, as a sanitary measure, the adoption of the Saturday half holiday to all employees of the Yard.

By his gentlemanly bearing, his earnestness toward helping humanity, and by his modest requests, ex-President Adams is forging to the front, gaining and holding the respect of those in authority with whom he comes in daily contact. For these reasons Columbia Lodge feels proud of their representative. I predict a bright future for this hustling youngster.

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SOME HUSBANDS AND THEIR HABITS.

Some husbands never leave home in the morning without kissing their wives and bidding them "Good-by, dear," in the tones of unwearied love, and whether it be policy or fact it has all the effect of fact, and these homes are generally pleasant ones, provided always that the wives are appreciative and welcome the discipline in a kindly spirit. Some husbands simply shake hands with their wives and hurry off as fast as possible, as though the effort were a something that they were anxious to forget, holding their heads down and darting 'round the first corner. Some husbands will leave home without saying anything at all, but thinking a good deal, as evinced by turning around at the last point of observation and waving an adieu at the pleasant face at the window. Some husbands never say a word, rising from their breakfast table with the lofty indifference of a lord and going out with a heartless disregard of those left behind. It is a fortunate thing for their wives that they can find sympathy elsewhere. Some husbands never leave home without some unkind word or look, apparently thinking that such a course will keep things straight in their absence. Then, on returning, some husbands come home pleasant and happy, unsoured by the world; some sulky and surly with its disappointments. Some husbands bring home a newspaper or a book and bury themselves for the evening in its contents. Some husbands are called away every evening by business or social engagements; some doze in speechless stupidity on the lounge until bedtime. Some husbands are curious to learn of their wives what has transpired through the day; others are attracted by nothing short of the baby tumbling down stairs or the house taking fire. "Depend upon it" that home is the happiest where kindness, love, and politeness are the ruling passions.

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THE SLOW APPRENTICE.

Several years ago I overheard a foreman of a great plant say to an apprentice, Charley Blank: "You had better quit this business and go back to the farm; you are too slow and stupid. Why can't you be like the other boys?"

The foreman walked away, leaving the apprentice addressed to think himself stupid because he could not work as fast as some of his comrades. What a mistake he made, as several years later that same foreman was dismissed for incompetency and the stupid, slow apprentice was appointed master mechanic of the same department, and is to-day filling that position with credit to himself and the Government. There are many slow boys, but I do not believe there are many stupid ones. There is quite a difference between the two.

"Smartness" is all right, but in my opinion steadiness is a great deal better. It is all very well to be able to master a piece of work in quick order if you remember how it was done, but, generally speaking, the quicker you learn the quicker you forget. It may take a slow boy a whole day to master a task, and he has to put his whole mind to it, but once he does master it he does not forget it in a hurry, while the "smart" boy would have done the task in half the time and forgot it in the other half. Now, boys, don't envy your "smart" shopmate; you will get along just as well as he if you'll only persevere and keep at your work.

"Keep at it." That is the motto for slow people. If you have a large tree to cut down you keep cutting until it is down; you don't cut two or three strokes and then go off on a spree, but you cut steadily till the task is done. That is the way with all tasks; that is the secret of success. Your first blow didn't bring down the tree, so your first efforts will not produce a trade, but keep at it; don't "throw up the sponge" because your boss tells you that you are stupid and slow. Fight on and the victory will be yours.

There are very few brilliant men following mechanical pursuits, but there are a great many "solid" men who amass comfortable fortunes by keeping at their work, and who never appear before the public, and yet are happier, better, more respected than some of their "sharp" brethren in the trade, for sharpness and smartness are almost always counted as being the same metal, and though of course it is not so, "slow" people are happy in not having the first, if not the second, imputed to them. Boys, eschew politics, rum, and "fastness" of all kinds; follow the golden rule; meet every honest man on the level and part on the square and you will succeed in winning your way to independence, a good home, and the respect of your superiors and shopmates.

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"Such Form of Government," Said Senator Morton, "is Against the Very Spirit of Our Institutions and Contrary to the Theory Upon Which Our Government is Based."

"In form, the present government of the District of Columbia," said Henry B. F. Macfarland, president of the Board of Commissioners of the District, in *Everybody's Magazine* for August, 1901, "is an absolute autocracy, not legally responsible to the people. * * * Nor have the citizens of the District of Columbia the legal right to say who shall exercise the power of a Commissioner, nor how he shall do it, nor for what object. Theoretically, they have no voice in the selection of their servants or of their tasks, and no power to reward or punish them."

"Twenty-three years' experience," said the same Commissioner in an address on "District Day" at the Buffalo Exposition on September 3, 1001, "has proved that this is the ideal form of government for the District of Columbia. * * * The fact that it is an exception to all other governments in the United States in that it provides for taxation without representation and is autocratic in form grieves some good people in the District who care more for sentiment (principle) than for substance."

Mr. Macfarland designates the unrepublican, undemocratic, and therefore un-American, form of government, this 'autocracy, not responsible to the people," as "self-government of the most direct and effective kind," and claims that it is "the best in the United States, because it is a government by the best citizens."

Webster's definition of autocracy is "supreme, uncontrolled, unlimited authority; a despotism." Aristocracy he defines as "government by the best citizens; a privileged class." Plutocracy he defines as "a form of government in which the supreme power is lodged in the hands of the wealthy class; government by the rich; also a controlling or influential class of rich men." Oligarchy he defines as "a form of government in which the supreme power is placed in the hands of a few persons"—three commissioners, for instance.

The present form of government in the District of Columbia can scarcely be distinguished from any of the un-American forms above defined, and yet Mr. Macfarland calls this "absolute autocracy" in which the people "have no voice in the selection of their servants or of their tasks, and no power to reward or punish them," as "self-government of the most direct and effective character!" And this form of government, which violates every principle of liberty, annihilates the Declaration of Independence and politically enslaves the people of the National Capital is exhibited to the country by Mr. Macfarland "as its best and most characteristic product."

"We cannot have free government without elections," said Abraham Lincoln. "Revolutionize through the ballot-box, and restore the Government once more to the affections and hearts of men by making it express, as it was intended to do, the highest spirit of justice and liberty. Allow all tbe governed an equal voice in the government. That, and that only, is self-government."

Whose declaration of self-government is correct, Henry B. F. Macfarland's or Abraham Lincoln's?

If Abraham Lincoln was right (and who will be bold enough to challenge him) when he declared that "we cannot have free government without elections," then we have not had free government in the capital of the great American Republic during the past thirty-two years. If "taxation without representation is tyranny," then a most perfect tyranny has existed in the District of Columbia for more than thirty years.

On February 10, 1875, the Senate having under consideration a bill for the better government of the District of Columbia, Senator Morton, of Indiana, said:

"Mr. President, as I offered this amendment providing for suffrage in the District, before the vote is taken I desire to call the attention of the Senate to its importance and to the great principle that is involved. In a bill which passed Congress at the close of the last session suffrage in this District was stricken down, and the government committed to three commissioners to be appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate. That bill passed hastily, without much consideration, and under what seemed to be an apparent necessity at the time; but it was understood to be temporary, that it was simply to bridge over the interregnum until this session of Congress, when another form of government would be considered and devised. If it had been understood then that suffrage in this District was to be permanently destroyed, I do not believe the bill could have been passed with all the pressure and the apparent necessity for its passage. That bill has been made a stepping-stone, and we now have the proposition permanently, for a long series of years, to destroy the right of suffrage both of white and black people. I am opposed to this upon principle; I am opposed to it upon the ground of expediency; I believe it is wrong in every way; and if it should become a law it is a precedent that will come back to plague us. As I said before, this is against the very spirit of our institutions. It is contrary to the theory upon which our Government is based. There is no safety in that form of government. The principle of it is wrong. There is no occasion for its application. I reject it utterly except where it may be an absolute necessity, and I know of no such necessity here."

What foundation is there for the assertion that "the government of the District of Columbia is the best in the United States?" Have the mass of disfranchised "political vassals" here had a squarer deal than the citizens in other cities? Are our public schools in better shape than those of other cities! Is our death rate lower than that of other cities? Did the people of this District receive greater remuneration for the many valuable franchises granted to private parties by our common council "on the hill" than the people of other cities received for those granted by their common councils? Has the assessment of property been more equitable here than elsewhere? and has there been a more just and honest distribution of the taxes paid into the District treasury? Not a single one of these questions can be truthfully answered in the affirmative.

And yet Commissioner Macfarland has the assurance to tell us that this "absolute autocracy, not legally responsible to the people," is the best municipal government in the United States "because it is a government by the best citizens."

Abraham Lincoln once upon a time said: "You can fool all of the people part of the time, and part of the people all the time, but you can't fool all the people all the time."

And Commissioner Macfarland can no longer fool any great number of the intelligent people of the District of Columbia with his unfounded statement that this "absolute autocracy" is the best municipal government in the United States because it is "a government by the best citizens."

It is undemocratic, unrepublican, and therefore unAmerican, and should be torn up root and branch.

Memorial Day.

Another year has rolled around,
And comrades meet on holy ground
Made sacred by the dust of those
Here lying lone in death's repose.

Their lives they gave for freedom's sake;
The Union firm and strong to make.
They followed on where led the flag,
O'er hill and dale and mountain crag.

They shared privations in the field,
Yet to the foreman did not yield;
For knowing that their cause be just
They nobly fell and bit the dust.

We honor them for duty done
And count their virtues one by one;
Posterity will bless their name
And stand for freedom just the same.

We strew sweet flowers on their graves
While o'er the sod Old Glory waves,
A guardian in their peaceful rest
Whose memory is ever blest.

All hail to those who wear the blue,
Brave soldiers, tried and ever true;
The Stars and Stripes you then unfurled
Has gained renown throughout the world.

—JAS. M. MONTGOMERY.

THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

The Central Labor Union held a short business session last Monday evening prior to the lecture of Dr. Skellinger.

After calling the meeting to order President Adams stated that the special order of business was the consideration of the appropriation for public playgrounds.

On motion, the appropriation was made and an appropriation was also passed for the striking plumbers.

The hall was then placed at the disposal of the lecture committee, and Rev. Dr. Skellinger being introduced proceeded to give his lecture, "Rips from the Rockies." The lecturer dwelt on the beauty and granduer of Colorado, frequently dropping into poetry as the lecture proceeded

The audience was fully appreciative and warmly indorsed the lecture committee for the opportunity given to enjoy such a treat as furnished by Dr. Skellinger.

Joseph Auerbach, 623 Penna., ave. sells the Brigham & Hopkins Baltimore make straw hats.

INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM.

Questioning of Candidates to be Taken Up by the A. F. of L.

Secretary Frank Morrison of the American Federation of Labor says:

"The publication recently of an outline of the program whereby the American Federation of Labor is cooperating with Referendum Leagues, Organized Farmers, and other organized interests that are opposed to machine rule and private monopoly, to not only elect Congressmen and Senators who will represent the people's interests, but also to systematically question all candidates so as to secure, as the result of this year's campaign, the establishment in the National House and Senate of a new system through which the voters can instruct their representatives by direct ballot, is creating unusual interest.

"The owners of every private monopoly in the land, are beginning to realize that a national battle for the people's rights, along new lines, has opened. The program, though it is new to most of the monopolists and to many of the politicans and newspaper men is really several years old, and already has won a great number of victories, with promise of a pronounced victory this year, now that the people's revolt against machine rule has spread so thoroughly and there is an increased interest in our program, and the further fact that there is no presidential campaign to divert the popular interest.

"The victories referred to are those for the establishment in the people of a right to a direct vote on public questions—the initiative and referendum and the advisory initiative and advisory referendum. The establishment of the system transfers the sovereign authority from the party in power to the people. The people's right to this fundamental reform has been wrung from the legislature in Delaware, Illinois, Texas, Oregon, South Dakota, Montana, and Utah, with the referendum established in Nevada; also with three-fifths of the legislature pledged in Ohio, and with a vote in the Massachusetts House of 98 to 2, while success this year is assured in Maine and other States, besides the brilliant prospects for the national campaign.

"The procedure whereby the people's right to a direct ballot on public questions has been and is being secured is primarily through non-partisan organizations, such as Trades Unions, Referendum Leagues, Granges, and Farmers' Unions. They are not only demanding in general terms that the people's sovereignty be re-established but are questioning the nominees of the party machines and are publishing their replies. This raises the issue and gives it publicity, and the voters do the rest.

"For example, last year in Ohio the candidates for the legislature were questioned and the Democrats all pledged favorably while most of the Republicans refused to pledge and the result was that enough of the Republicans scratched their tickets to elect a Democratic majority in the Senate and almost a Democratic majority in the House. The Democratic representation in the Senate was increased nearly 475 per cent.

"This year, owing to the favorable conditions I have outlined, there should be unquestioned success. I am informed that representative men among the business and professional interests are organizing themselves into Referendum Leagues by counties and it is expected that every district in the country will soon have its league. Farmers' State organizations in at least sixteen States have declared for the initiative and referendum and every local Grange and Farmers' Union will unquestionably stand for the time-honored right to instruct representatives.

"Heretofore the initiative and referendum cause has lacked an important feature that is supplied in this year's program, namely, the initiative system is to be established at the opening of the next Congress and of the several legislatures, by pledging candidates to vote for rules of procedure and statute law, and then some initiative bills are to be immediately filed. This opportunity for an immediate change in the system of government to be followed at once by majority rule legislation is certainly enticing and it comes at a most opportune time. The coal monopolists are extremely autocratic, while the railway and other monopolists have combined with the unfair employers to prevent the termination of government by injunction and other iniquities. As between employers and employes they have set aside trial by jury and other provisions of free government. Organized labor in America expects to be in a position to secure in the next Congress the adoption of bills that have been ignored by the dominant party in this Congress.

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

L. C. Hay is with the Chicago branch of the American Type Foundry.

Glenn W. Buckingham is in Montgomery, Ala., with Newt. Lillard.

This is the *Aphorisms'* version of the famous Ella Wheeler Wilcox-John A. Joyce story:

Chuckle, and the world chuckles you under the chin;
Grouch—the world presents oblivion and chucks you in.

"You are a wise old guy," says Johnnie Hooper. "Now tell me what Templar is up to?"

Making a strong guess in reply to Mr. Hooper's interrogatory, I would say that Friend Templar, ever in the forefront of unionism, may enter the I. T. U. delegate race next year—with every prospect of landing a place.

Whether it be the banjo club at the swell apartment house, the orchestra at the variety theater, or the Marine Band at the corner-stone laying by the President, all play the self-same medley, four compositions therein being by the talented Stephen Collins Foster. Some forty years ago this gentleman paid a visit to Kentucky. There he found rythm in her rivers, harmony in her hills, melody in her mountains; there was born the inspiration which gave to the world "Suwanee River," "Old Kentucky Home," and a score of similar musical classics. Fitting be it, then, that at the home coming this month the sons and daughters of Kentucky should lay, to the music of his melodies the corner-stone of a monument to America's greatest song writer.

Passing the noisy Crump-Milkman checker game, at the midnight lunch hour, I wander through the Supply Division to the eastern front of the main building. That mass of mud, iron, and stone known as the Union Station rises to view in the moonlight. Gradually under my vision the composite heap takes shape, the contiguous streets have been asphalted—and it is the nation's natal day, nineteen hundred and eight. Why, as I live, there's Charley, on whom I had not laid eyes since the extra session of the old bill. After greetings he says, "Tell me, what became of 'Mountain Dew,' 'Little Eva,' and 'The Duke?'" This was his way of inquiring after the whereabouts of Messrs. Noel, Hunter, and Lanstrom.

"Who have you with you that I know?" was his next inquiry.

"The staff is about the same—Young, Ross, and Greene have each moved up a peg, with Wallace and Burchfield as understudies. And you?"

"Oh, I'm over on a three-day excursion from New York. I'm there in a book house, running a Universal.

"A new one, eh? We have the Mergs. and the Lanstons, you know."

"Yes, and you people think you take the roof off the building"—waving his hand—"with your little 4,000 an hour. Easy running for me to keep up a 10,000 gait."

"You've improved, Charlie, in prevarication as well as in speed."

"Not at all. The results are attained by the addition of a few devices. For instance, we work the spacing apparatus with our feet."

"Next you'll be telling me you print with your teeth."

"Far from it. That motorman there formerly reached up and rang a gong. Now he presses a button into a slot with his foot. I don't suppose you ever saw a Monoline?"

"Yes, at the big show at St. Louis. It had no device of that description as I remember."

"It was bought to pigeonhole. I merely mentioned it to give you an idea as to the size of ours. On the Merg. the left hand is arbitrarily fixed in one position. Under the pedal arrangement it travels with the same freedom as the right. On the Lanston keyboard the position of the keys is governed by the thickness of the letter; on the Mergenthaler the magazine dominates the keyboard. With us the vowels are surrounded by consonants, so that going to the right or left, up, down, or in a diagonal direction, one always spells the component parts of a word, some fifty-odd prefixes, suffixes, and syllables being possible. The location of the keys can be changed at will."

"Giving each man a system of his own."

"Should he choose to adopt it. One change has already been put into general use. At the close of the calendar year a different figure follows the 1, 9, 0—this year an 8 took the place of the 7—and the operator prints the current year at practically a stroke. All the new makes of typewriters are adopting this keyboard, which bears the same name as the machine, the Universal."

"I always carried the idea a better disposition could be made of the copy."

"That's its crowning feature, I must tell you. The copy, as it is being edited, is pasted on long strips of manila paper and wound on a wooden spool. A 'take' is placed in a receptacle just above the keyboard, the loose end clasped to another spool, a thumb-screw regulating the speed at which it travels is touched, and the copy passes, panorama like, before your eye, only a few lines visible at a time. No constant shifting or adjustment. Neither the mind nor the hand is taken from the work."

"And you have a three-day ticket? Suppose to-morrow, when you drop over and see the boys, you stop in at the front and tell the management about the Universal—when, tinkle, tinkle, its Mr. Greene's little bell, and I had been but a fraction of a moment with my face against the pane.

H. S. SUTTON.

COLUMBIA UNION MEETING.

At a called meeting of Columbia Typographical Union, held last Sunday, which was the largest in attendand for years, the Union indorsed the recommendation of the Eight-Hour Committee in calling for a ten per cent assessment on its members to aid the strike.

The Union has up to this time, since January 1, been able to finance the strike with an assessment of fifty cents per week per member, and now desiring to give the committee all aid possible calls for a ten per cent assessment on earnings of its members to bring the issue to a successful conclusion.

Joseph Auerbach, 623 Penna. ave., sells the Sweet-Orr make of overalls and coats.

Salt Water Bathing.

With the opening of the present season Chesapeake Beach will continue to be popular with the lovers of salt water bathing, fishing, and the many attractions found at this popular resort. The management of the Chesapeake Beach Railway has always shown due appreciation of the public interest in the Beach and are prepared to book dates for organizations at their offices 1420 New York avenue northwest.

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Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

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Labor Unions and Their Enemies.

FOURTH PAPER.

The law has ever been an enemy of working people. It made a state or condition in whose limits he was confined; he could not escape except by breaking or forcing the law. While the law has protected his person and property to a certain extent, it held him rigidly to his condition, and he had to break the law, or have it repealed. The judiciary was the body to enforce the law, and history proves how it has been enforced against laboring people, struggling for an amelioration of their condition. There is no tyranny like class tyranny, and the courts have used it against the workers with a prejudice and malice which made it an instrument of vengeance, rather than a rule for the protection of rights and the maintenance of justice among men.

It has been laid down that it was the duty of a good judge to enlarge his jurisdiction, he could do more good if he had more power. Under monarchical forms of government the tendency of the judiciary has been to side with the Government, and there are few examples of judges using their power in the interest of humanity. It cannot be said that our own judges have done any better, for they have made haste frequently to carry out the ideas of the executive department when there was at least sufficient doubt in regard to executive action and judicial power, to have made them hesitate. But it is in the "equity" jurisdiction of courts that judges in our country have gone to such lengths as to make conservative people feel that there is greater dangers to liberty in the usurpations of the courts than in the usurpations of the executive or legislative departments of the Government. Jefferson warned us against this danger with great strength of statement and argument, and it would be well for the people to turn their attention to this matter very seriously.

Our Government, legislative, executive, and judicial is one of limited powers. These limits are not always clearly defined, but a man who loves his country, and is devoted to its institutions, when placed in office, will keep well within those limits, rather than overstep them. It is a bad symptom of our political life when any officer, especially a judge, will deliberately overstep those limits and assume that he is still within the limitations of the Constitution. The one who approaches the limits of the Constitution should treat them as holy ground, taking his shoes from off his feet, coming not nigh thither. Therefore it saddens the heart of the patriot to see those who are especially the guardians of the limits of the Constitution so reckless in passing those limits.

We inherited the common law and equity law from England. This country was separated from England July 4, 1776. Our people were used to the operation of both the common law and the law of equity, and they were never repealed, and are still in force, except as modified by the enactments of Congress and the State legislatures. However these have been modified by the interpretation of English judges or the enactments of the English Parliament, such intrepretations and enactments have had no effect upon them in this country. Yet it is not unseldom for our own judges to cite British decisions as precedents for their own.

The judiciary of the country has no jurisdiction beyond what was law and equity in this country July 4, 1776, and the powers and jurisdiction conferred upon them by legislation. Yet they have strained their equity jurisdiction, especially in matters where labor people are concerned, far beyond that our courts exercised at the Revolution, and beyond any jurisdiction given them by statute law. The elective judiciary has been as eager to extend its jurisdiction as the appointive judges. And this spirit has invaded the law books, so that our lawyers and judges are educated in an atmosphere that is intolerant of limitations of the courts. Behind the courts are intrenched the forces which oppose labor and oppress the people of the country in many ways. Privileges and franchises have been given, and their owners rely upon the courts to sustain them. Fortunately the people have awakened to their danger, and the courts have awakened also, and have made some amends of their former action. And if labor people would take their places in the affairs of the body politic, to which they are entitled by their intelligence and their numbers, the courts would find a way to approve of their policies as they have found a way of anticipating the demands of the people.

Men are arising from the ranks of labor every day, to legislatiue, executive, and judicial positions. But they are not rising as representatives of labor; they take positions as partisans, or as the friends and supporters of the ruling classes. They show what labor people may do, but they do not serve the cause of labor at all to any extent. But what do labor people know practically of carrying on our Government? How many sit on juries? How many are officers of courts? How many know practically the methods of levying and collecting taxes? They are shut out from all these things. When we attend the meeting of our unions we see there many able men, men fit, with very little experience, to fill any office in the gift of the people, yet these men are shut out of those places where they would learn to administer the laws or assist in their administration. They are a class from which few are taken to learn how to govern under our laws.

Many laboring people have gone through our law and medical schools here in Washington and in every other business centers of the country. In doing this, the great majority of them, at least have ceased to be identified with the interests of labor. Here is a grave fault which needs remedy. A man springing from the ranks of labor should not forget his origin or the aspirations of the people from whom he sprang. As soon as we leave the ranks of labor, must we unite with interests which we have contended against during our lives? A true unionist will be a union man when he no longer works at his trade or occupation. He should still hold himself bound to their interest. Union men are somewhat to blame for this, for they have often forced a man to abandon their union when he changed his occupation, instead of trying to hold him with them, and making him one of theirs, that he might further help them. It may be hoped that labor people will become more and more broad in many things, and that they may keep with them many of those who change their occupations for other callings.

FIDELIS.

Joseph Auerbach, 623 Penna. ave., sells the Manhattan Negligee Shirts.

Not Responsible.

In the report of proceedings of the Central Labor Union printed in this paper May 17, H. C. Easterday, druggist, of New Jersey avenue and G streets northwest, was reported as employing nonunion men on repairs to the building he occupies as a drug store. Mr. Easterday claims an injustice has been done him through such publication, inasmuch as he is merely a tenant in the building and did not make the contract for the addition to the building.

Oysters in every style at R. A. Driscoll's, North Capitol and G street. Overholt whisky, 10c.

BROCKWELL'S BITS.

For ourselves and those to come after us, we must win the eight-hour battle now being waged by our Union. To win we must stand together.

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The writer laboriously (and most wretchedly) scribbled out "a historian of Old Quebec," but when he saw that the printer had interpreted it "a bushman of odd inches," he howled some.

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The Sultan of Turkey has lately issued one of his justly celebrated imperial irades, I see; which reminds me that round about Washington the poor devil of an underling is kept busy dodging the "imperial" official tirade.

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A man living in New Jersey, press reports say, committed suicide "while his wife was getting breakfast." Something dreadful what means men will take in order to get away from the cooking which is "not like mother's."

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A score of nurses went on strike in a Pennsylvania hospital on account of the "sharp tongue of the matron." If some steen thousand husbands were that positive in objecting to sharp-tongued matrons there would sure be some overtime work for the divorce courts.

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Some days ago I read that at the office of the Geological Survey great trouble was experienced with rats, that a "rat-killing battalion" had been organized, and that much slaughter had resulted. Would our neighbors over at the Survey kindly loan us the "battalion" if they have finished with it? I think we might use it to advantage.

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In the House the other day John Sharp Williams was referring to a Canal official's pay and called it an "aggregated" salary. From the fierce copy the Mergman figured it out as an "aggravated" salary—a very natural error; for when one comes to think of it, some of those ducks are drawing down salaries that are rather aggravating—to the other fellows.

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Charley Morgan dug this one out of a Court of Claims galley:

"At the time of which you speak, sir," said the lawyer, "is it not a fact that these Indians were in amity with the whites?"

"Well, sir," replied the witness, "I don't just understand the meaning of that word 'amity,' but I know they were fighting like h—l."

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Lon A. Shimp's paper, the Georgetown-South Seattle *News*, reached me recently glowing with a special industrial supplement full of good printing, fine cuts, and advertisements. Shimp and his partner (George W. Fritz) are making a pronounced success of both the paper and the job office connected with it. Mr. Shimp is well known to the craft here, and to note his success is a pleasure. I hope it may continue.

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"And are you the Smith who has just been elected delegate?" asked the bibulous proletarian.

"Which I surely am," replied the happy Frank D., his moon face all agleam.

"My Gawd! If I'd seen you first, you'd never got my vote."

"Why?" asked Frank, bridling a little.

"Because," said the proletarian from the depths of the "bowl" that the delegate-elect had paid for, "you're too d——d fat."

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Speaking with a friend who has given the matter considerable attention, I learn what I have for some time past suspected and hoped—that the pathway of the unfair magazines is far from being a flowery one. Since the beginning of our active warfare against them their sales have greatly decreased, and it has become a rarity for one of them to be out on time. This shows that our work is having its effect. Let us keep it up. We should of course use the product of union labor in all things where it is practicable; but when it comes to printing we are, as an old African friend of mine used to say, "jest 'bleeged to have it."

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Thomas E. Frank, at various times during the last few years employed as an extra in the Government Printing Office, and well known down town, is now the proprietor of the Fauquier *Democrat*, published at Warrenton, Va. The paper is a six-column eight-page weekly, all home set, and shows signs of prosperity. In connection with the paper he runs a job office, and I am told is doing all the county printing and most of the commercial work in his neighborhood. I am much pleased to hear of his success—a pleasure that will be shared by all who know him. He is in the right place, and I predict that his career will be upward at a rapid rate. I never met a man who makes friends so easily and who more thoroughly deserves them than my bright, manly friend, Tom Frank.

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Wellington Robinson, messenger in the Record Proof Room, returned to work last week, having been away for some days owing to the death of his wife—an affliction which came upon him without the least warning. Mrs. Robinson was a native of Savannah, Ga., to which city the sorrowing husband conveyed the remains for interment. The deceased held the esteem in a very high degree of all who knew her. Mr. Robinson feels deeply appreciative of the tender and substantial sympathy manifested by those with whom he has been intimately associated in the office for some years past. To him it will ever remain the brightest spot in the saddest time of his life. To all of these friends he asks me to thus publicly extend his thanks.

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Harry Watkins, as is well known to his shopmates in the printery, is a very liberal man, and generally gives up coin without a struggle—without even a roar. So when a car conductor asked him to buy a ticket to the car conductors' excursion it looked easy for the trolley man.

"Sure," said Harry. "You fellows are all right. Everybody ought to help out. I'll take two."

The man with the punch produced the pasteboards. Harry produced the fifty cents. Then he carefully examined the tickets.

"My friend," said Watkins, "it don't go. No tickets to-day; they are without the label."

And then for at least seven blocks Harry talked label to the conductor and to the really interested passengers, doing it so well that he made a decided hit. Everybody on board (including the conductor) was converted except a couple of end-seat hogs who fell off as the car went round a curve.

W. N. BROCKWELL.

Ladies' Dining Room. R. A. Driscoll, N. Cap. and G. Oyster pan roast, 10c.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions were adopted at a special meeting of the Job Room Chapel, G. P. O., on May 22:

Whereas we have learned of the death on May 10, 1906, of Margaret Watkins, daughter of Nicholas, and sister of Herbert A. Watkins, both members of this chapel, the former being one of the oldest Union printers in the Government Printing Office and a member of this chapel since its organization forty-five years ago, and his kindly disposition and generosity and intelligent helpfulness, cheerfully given at all times, have made his influence a power for good and so strengthened the bonds which unite us that the sorrows of one are felt by all; and our sympathy goes out to our brothers who have been bereft, especially when we remember that this is the ninth time the sable cortege of the Angel of Death has drawn up to the door of our brothers Watkins and borne away their dear ones; therefore be it

Resolved, That this chapel extend to our sorrowing brothers Watkins and their families the full assurance of its tenderest sympathy, and offers to them the condolence of hearts that have been wrung with like sorrow; and

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be presented to the family as an expression of the solicitude of this chapel for those of its members who have been thus bereft and for whom we have such high regard and loving sympathy.

BEN A. LINEBACK,
R. L. PEED,
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Great Beef Contest—First Prize: Set of Butcher Tools, valued at $10, bearing Union Label. Second Prize: Set of Butcher Knives and Steel, valued at $5, bearing Union Label.

Lamb Dressing Contest—First Prize: $5 Worth of Union Label Goods. Second Prize: $3 Worth of Union Label Goods. Third Prize: Union Butcher Button; value, $2.50.

Greased Pig Contest—To be awarded the person holding the pig two minutes.

Ball Game—Between two noted amateur teams of the District. Prize: $25.

Old Dominion Cake Walk—To be exemplified by leading artists in this unique exercise.

Tug of War—Between members of Local Unions affiliated with the Central Labor Union. Prize: $5.

Running Races—First Event, 50 Yards for Boys. Prize: $3 Pair of Shoes. Second Event, 100 Yds. for Boys. Prize: Sweater.

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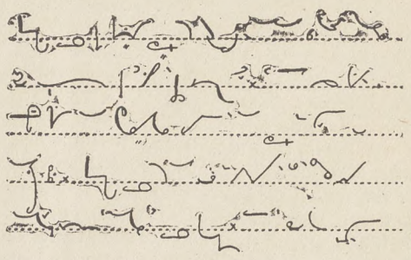

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GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Sixth Division.

Ten per cent. That's all.

Louria E. Smith, of the Sixth, journeyed to Baltimore by the water route on Decoration Day.

Jesse Grant, of the Fifth Division cage staff, returned to work on Tuesday, after a vacation covering fifteen day.

"Judge" Chas. Ennis, of the G. P. O. Proof Room, has been admitted to practice before the bar of the U. S. Supreme Court.

During the absence of Foreman Roberts, of the Fourth Division, Assistant Clem Harding is in charge, with C. E. Morton acting as assistant.

Hubert Newsom, of this Division, is enjoying the last week of his 1905 leave. Together with his wife he is spending the time up in the Blue Ridge mountains.

Assistant Foreman L. P. Kenny, of the Sixth Division, is off for a full thirty days leave of absence. Dr. Chas. W. Radley is sitting on the lid during his absence.

John B. Miller, of the Fifth Division, was called on Saturday to his home in Sumpter, S. C., by the news that his mother was dying, and he hastily left for the Southland.

At a meeting of the International Musicians' Union, held in Boston last week, a fine of $1,000 or expulsion from the organization was ordered placed on any member of the union accepting an engagement with the Marine Band for its tour of the Old World, soon to be began.

Daniel Clark has been given an absolute appointment as linotype machinist having served his six month probation period in the Sixth Division. Mr. Clark came to the G. P. O. from Williamsport, Pa.

J. S. Garner, of this Division, became a grandpa for the first time on Monday. Seven hundred and sixty-three million dollars is a small sum compared to the worth of that kid in Granddad Garner's estimation.

A down-town Typothetæ shop in its advertisement in the *Post* says: "It seems to us that we ought to do your printing. Goodness knows we are willing if you are." That's the trouble; the other fellow isn't.

Preparations are now being made for the proper celebration of Flag Day next month by the employes of the G. P. O. This celebration is always given under the auspices of G. P. O. Council of the National Union, and an extra effort is being made to make the coming one the climax of many good ones. Mr. Thos. Jones, who generally leads the singing on such occasions, tells me the singing this year will be lead by a band of some eight or ten pieces composed of G. P. O. employes. It is these little noon day affairs that breaks into the monotony of the work day and the employes should turn out in full force and encourage the promoters.

The Public Printer of Japan, that is in English he is the Public Printer, but it would be too big a job to undertake to tell what he is in Japanese, accompanied by an interpreter, visited the G. P. O. on Monday, and carefully inspected the workings of Uncle Sam's big printery. In the Sixth Division the intricacies of the linotype machine were explained to him, he making careful note of each detail, but if it is true that the Japanese alphabet is composed of some 20,000 characters, the distinguished little Jap will find just about the right number on a Monotype keyboard, and should proceed to install them without fear of future difficulties. This ought to make Lanston stock jump to at least 15⅞.

The concert given on Tuesday noon by the Government Printing Office Glee Club proved to be one of the best of the many which have been give by these popular singers. Under the leadership of Mr. Ben Lineback, the members of the club showed excellent team work and the hearty applause given each number was proof of appreciation by the large audience assembled. For the occasion the iron balustrades of the stair had been wrapped with American flags, which were also draped from the ceiling and together with many potted plants added greatly to the spirit of patriotism so manifestly present. The members of the club taking part in the exercises were: First tenors—Messrs. Wiedman, Tompkins, Sullivan, Cooper. Second tenors—Messrs. Bridwell, Rooney, Morrison, Patterson. Baritones—Messrs. Clough, Klapp, Chattaway. Bassos—Messrs. Brown, Jackson, Baldwin, Redfield, Lineback. Owing to a sprained ankle received on Saturday the Public Printer was unable to keep his engagement to make a few remarks. In his stead Dr. Manning spoke briefly on the origin of Memorial Day.

Machine helper A. S. Johnstone, of Sixth Division is a bird fancier of the first degree, and maintains a loft of homer pigeons. He also shows symptoms of being a financial fancier as well, and at the rate he is going now will soon be a millionaire. Recently he bought a pigeon for $10, which is a fair price for one of those intelligent birds. From that pigeon he secured three eggs, which hatched three little pigeons worth $10 a piece, then he sold the old bird back for $10, thus having $30 to the good with nothing out. Now, if each of those birds lay three eggs worth $10, he will soon have nine birds worth $90, or $120 to the good. Then the nine birds will lay three eggs each, resulting in twenty-seven pigeons or $390 to the good. Now comes his twenty-seven birds, each laying three eggs resulting in eighty-one birds worth $810 or $1,200 clear profit. At the regular rate of 3 to 1 the eighty-one birds will bring into Mr. Johnstone's pocket, $2,430 plus $1,200 already made. Anybody with a pencil can easily figure out about what Mr. Johnstone will be worth in 1920. Its a great business and looks like it has the printing biz skinned a city block at the start.

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A census has been caused to be made of those who ride to the office on a bicycle. No mention of automobiles.

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There are symptoms that Congress is getting ready to close shop, or rather that the fall campaign is about to open.

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"Oysters fried in a box while you wait" is the sign of a local dealer. The average business man generally makes a poor fist of it when he attempts to do is own printing.

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People come from remote parts to see Washington, and a week's stay gives them a greater knowledge of the capital city than many who were born and reared here. The sightseer visits all the Departments, while the local resident, with one ambition, hopes that some day he may "go through" the Treasury.

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The little paster issued by the Strike Committee, to be used in support of the label, will be sufficient reply to circulars issued by individuals or firms who, by this device, may see an advantage in patronizing eight-hour printing-houses if they hope to secure favor with those who are contending for the eight-hour workday.

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A rural contemporary pays the following deserved tribute to a distinguished fellow townsman: "We knew him as Old Ten Per Cent—the more he made the less he spent—the more he got the less he lent—he's dead, we don't know where he went—but if to heaven his soul was sent—he'll own the harps and charge them rent."

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Bubble blowers, or those who talk a great deal without saying much, are apt to speak slightingly of the G. P. O. membership of 101. It might require a supreme effort, but if these b. b's. would devote the fraction of a moment to rational thinking and wholesome reflection they possibly might be persuaded that the G. P. O. membership is doing amazingly well, all things considered.

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The Second Adventists! at a recent sitting in London, decided that this grand old world shall have a sudden ending on May 2, 1929. The Rumor Committee of the G. P. O. should get in touch with these long-distance people. Less favored mortals have the right to demand the best service from those who just naturally "see things" and in whom the gift of prophecy is so largely and strangely developed.

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Col. Walsmith, of Specifications, is fond of recounting war reminiscenses which form a particularly thrilling history of the famous Brightwood Cavalry. At a recent reunion of the few surviving members at Paducah, Ky., a comrade recalled an incident which, in the lapse of years, had nearly escaped the Colonel. It appears that during a lull or cessation of hostilities in 1862 the two comrades provided themselves with a pint of a famous Kentucky brand and made a reconnoisance to a point where the two camped under a shady tree to enjoy their brief respite. They had scarcely time to pass upon the merits of the aforesaid commissary article when the bugle sounded "assembly," and hurriedly they placed the bottle in a hollow part of the tree, resolving to return at the first near opportunity. The fortunes of war did not so decree, however. Recalling this incident, the Colonel and his comrade resolved to locate the tree and the bottle, if possible. The ravages of time had wrought many changes, but to their great surprise they found the tree, and it is needless to say that they were *de*lighted to find the bottle undisturbed in a perfect state of preservation. There, 'neath the old bullet-scarred tree and shaded by its extended branches the two comrades sat and once more "drank from the same canteen," when there was naught but praise of "Old Kentucky," so much improved with the added years. When the Colonel related this incident to Charley Warren he looked like one outdone and simply said: "Wallie, I believe you are lying to me."

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In purchasing goods from advertisers in this paper do not fail to mention the fact that you saw the advertisement in THE TRADES UNIONIST. It will accord you good treatment at the hand of the salesman, and incidentally help the paper.

NAVY YARD ITEMS.

If the best man's faults were written on his forehead it would make him pull his hat over his eyes.

A mean old bachelor in the Yard suggests that births should be published under the head of "new music."

The legislator who labors under the delusion that "Hon." before the name stands for honest should at once make the acquaintance of Dr. White at St. Elizabeth.

Senator Elkins, on Wednesday, offered a resolution in the Senate to include in the Naval bill the new steel foundry for this Yard, which was ruthlessly slaughtered by the steel combine in the House. The Senator is a good fighter, and it is hoped he may win.

Little Miss Madelaine, the accomplished daughter of our genial master mechanic, Charley Smithson, won the first prize (a gold medal) in the fancy dance contest on Thursday evening at the Masonic festival. If you want winners in any contest get acquainted with the boys in the Yard. They can furnish the goods.

William R. Waters, of the Erecting Shop, a resident of Congress Heights, expired suddenly Tuesday evening. He had worked during the day, and after supper concluded he would go to see his physician. He had gone but a short distance when he dropped dead from heart failure. His remains were taken to North Carolina for interment. He was a true unionist and a Mason. A committee from Columbia Lodge, of which he was a member, escorted the remains to the depot.

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SPENDING MONEY.

To earn money is easy compared with spending it well. Anybody may dig up potatoes, but it is not one woman in ten that can cook them properly. Men do not become rich by what they get, but what they save. Many men who have money are short of will as a hog is of wool. They are under years of discretion, though they have turned forty. What their fathers got with rakes they throw away with shovels. After the miser comes the prodigal. Often men say of the spendthrift his own father was no man's friend but his own; and now the son is no man's enemy but his own. The fact is the old gent went to the devil by the lean road and his son has made up his mind to go there by the fat. Such is life, however.

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RECREATION NECESSARY.

We labor and labor, but there is just as much necessity for recreation as for labor. We cannot live without it; more especially the laboring man.

Exercise is all well enough, but it must be of the right kind. The mind as well as the body wants exercise. But it wants something else, as well as the body. It wants a change; it wants to get into a new channel, get new life infused into it. Thus it will rest the limbs to labor with the inactive man. It will rest and strengthen the mind to divert it; give it new life. We should lay out our plans for recreation as well as for work. There never was a truer saying than that "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." We must get out of one rut, if we have been in that alone, and taste the variety of life. Man was made for it. It is the habit from time immemorial and cannot be dispensed with. With it comes health and happiness.

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BRAIN AND MUSCLE WORKERS.

It is thought by many men who earn their living by brawn and muscle, especially those of limited education, that all the professions are easy, and we often hear the remark that the lawyer, the teacher, the minister, and the physician earn their money with little or no labor. Such persons seem to think that the man who does not raise a bushel of corn, build an engine or a great gun is not a producer, and therefore is a pensioner upon the bounty and leniency of the world. I hold that the thinker, the brain laborer, and especially the teacher who instructs the young in all that pertains to literature and science, is as really a producer as he who uses his knowledge toward the accomplishment of business or mechanical purposes. The teacher who instructs the pupil how to keep accounts and qualifies him for commerce, banking business or mechanical pursuits contributes as essentially to the acquisition of property as he does who keeps the accounts, plans the business, and works out the results. One might say that the grindstone is not a producer because it never builds a gun, cuts timber, or mows grass; but the axe, the scythe, the plane, or the lathe tools would be useless without the sharp edge which the grindstone imparts. So the human mind sent out in life without the sharpening influences of education cannot hew its way to success with facility. Let teachers of the mind then feel that they are the main spoke in the wheel of the world's success, and while doing their duty faithfully and nobly let them stand erect as noblemen and noblewomen.

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BOIL IT DOWN.

Ever since President Roosevelt issued the order that all Executive Departments must curtail their reports, thereby reducing the expense of printing, the fad has extended everywhere. Even Congress has been coquetting with the microbe, much to the disgust of the trio — the Commissioners. Possibly these few lines may suit the occasion:

Whatever you have to report, my friend,
Whether witty, or grave, or gay,
Condense as much as ever you can
And say in the readiest way.
And whether you write of foreign affairs
Or particular things in town,
Just take the advice of the President—
"Boil it down!"

For if you go spluttering over a page
When a couple of lines will do,
Your butter is spread so much, you see,
That the bread looks plainly through.
So when you have a report to write
And would have a little renown,
ust think of what the President says—
"Boil it down!"

When writing an article for the press,
Whether prose or verse, just try
To utter your thoughts in the fewest words
And let them be crisp and dry;
And when it is finished, and you suppose
It is done exactly brown,
Just remember the words of the President—
"Boil it down!"

For editors do not like to print
An article lazily long,
And the busy reader does not care
For a couple of yards of song.
So gather your wits in the smallest space
If you'd win the author's crown,
And every time you write, my friend,
"Boil it down!"

TIM TICKLE.

Our Two "Billys."

The *Labor News* herewith congratulates Denver Typographical Union, No. 49, on the selection of so worthy a successor as presiding officer to President Collett as William E. Shields. Mr. Shields was president of Columbia Union, No. 101, Washington, D. C., several years ago, and was greatly instrumental in bringing said Union into good financial condition and making its "fair" then a success, whereby money was raised to construct its magnificent Typographical Temple, which is a credit to the organization in that city and the I. T. U. jurisdiction. We predict that No. 49's matters of state are in safe and honest hands with Shields at the helm. As to the delegates to the I. T. U., we also say "amen"—Messrs. Foley and McLean. We knew J. W. Foley "away back East," not as "Tim," put as plain "Billy" Foley, and feel assured that he will ably and creditably serve No. 49 in this city in August.—*Labor News* (Colorado Springs).

IF.

If you're singing in the morning as you're putting on your clothes,
If you're happy as the sparrow in the rain or in the snows;
If you're looking for the sunshine when the clouds are in the sky,
If you bury deep your sorrow with the tearful moan and sigh;
Then you'll miss the city doctor and the undertaker fool,
And you'll leave old Melancholy with his saffron-colored school.

If you always say, "Good morning!" to the first ones that you meet,
If you kiss the darling children as they patter at your feet;
If you always praise the victuals after saying of the grace,
If you're jolly at the table with a smile upon your face;
Then the home about will love you and a Paradise appear,
And your burden growing lighter with the rolling of the year.

If you do unto your neighbor as you'd have him do to you,
If you're honest in your business holding up the good and true;
If you keep your temper steady in the busy race of life,
If you love your girl sincerely, or your sweet and charming wife;
Then you'll find a heaven within you, as the blessed Jesus said,
And you need not wait till dying to enjoy it with the dead.

—DAVID S. COPELAND.

Appreciated.

Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, Washington, D. C., again selects a lady delegate, in the person of Miss Teresa McDonald, to attend the I. T. U. convention whose session will be held in this city in August. The rest of the delegation also looks good to me—Messrs. F. C. (Funny) Roberts, F. D. Smith and John R. Berg. To "Funny" we would say, "all things come to him who waits."—*Labor News* (Colorado Springs).

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THE CENTRAL LABOR UNION

Carriage and Wagon Workers' Union Voted Financial Assistance.

CARL HOFFMAN, BAKER, UNFAIR

Legislative Delegate De Nedrey Calls Attention to Immigration Bill—Several Carriage and Wagon Shops Declared Unfair—Committee on Musician Article to Make Full Report at Next Meeting.

The regular weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union was called to order at 8 p. m. on Monday, President Adams in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS.

Carriage and Wagon Workers, No. 72: John H. Brinkman, vice Delegate Carroll.

Electrical Workers, No. 26: Ed. Aughinbaugh, vice E. R. Bateman, resigned.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Wm. A. Read & Co., bankers, offering Pennsylvania Railroad Co. securities for investment. Placed on file.

From Carriage and Wagon Workers Union, No. 72, asking that the following firms be declared unfair:

B. F. Riegel, 710 O street northwest.

John T. Springman Sons, 901 Seventh street southwest.

John A. Wineberger, 3800 Brightwood avenue northwest.

William Walters Son, Fourteenth and D streets northwest.

Referred to Grievance Committee.

From American Bonding Co., of Baltimore, asking for report on Treasurer's bond. Referred to Board of Trustees.

From Capudine Chemical Co., Raleigh, N. C., explaining absence of label from their printing, but stating that same was done under Union conditions. Referred to Columbia Typographical Union.

From Carpet Mechanics Union, No. 1, stating that $5 for relief of High Point, N. C., strikers had been voted by that Union, and asking that the secretary of the Central Labor Union forward the same. Request complied with.

From Springfield (Ohio) Tpyographical Union, No. 117, calling attention to attitude of the Crowell Publishing Co. of that city, and asking that members of organized labor discourage sales of *The Woman's Home Companion* in this city. Placed on file.

From Granite Cutters Union, indorsing action of Central Body in placing certain master horseshoers on unfair list.

Bills for salary of Legislative Delegate De Nedrey and also for lost time of Grievance Committee were read and ordered paid.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Special committee on article appearing in *International Musician*, reported that article was not correct insofar as as President Adams was trying to foster a nonunion band on the Central Labor Union. Referred back to the committee.

The Grievance Committee reported that they had been unable to adjust the grievance of Bakers Union, No. 118, with Carl Hoffman, baker, Mt. Pleasant, and having stands in Riggs, Center, and K street markets, and recommend that the request of Bakers Union to place Carl Hoffman on the "We Do Not Patronize List" be complied with. Report adopted.

Legislative Delegate DeNedrey called attention to an amendment in the pending bill before Congress, known as the Immigration bill, which will permit aliens who may work on the Canal Zone entrance into this country without hindrance. On motion, the amendment was disapproved.

CALL OF UNIONS.

Bartenders: That they would give an excursion on the 5th to Marshall Hall, and extended an invitation to all delegates to attend.

Carriage Workers: That they were now in the fifth week of their strike and that with moral and financial assistance from the Central Labor Union and affiliated Locals they could win out in a week.

On motion, $100 was donated and $300 was loaned to Carriage and Wagon Workers Union No. 72.

Delegates Feeney and Spohn were appointed to act in conjunction with a committee from Carriage Workers Union to visit President Gompers and ask aid of A. F. of L. in behalf of strikers.

Carriage Workers also stated that they would hold an open meeting on next Thursday evening and invited all delegates to be present.

Engineers, No. 99: That the Heurich Brewing Co. had signed an agreement with their Union for three years.

Musicians: That a circular letter that had been received from their International Secretary relative to nonunion Italian bands had not been published, and asked the secretary to have letter published. Request granted.

Mill Workers: Requested aid of the Contract Committee in having contracts signed by various mill operators in this city.

Painters: That their members did not patronize "The Willows" and asked that all delegates do likewise.

Stone Laborers: That they were still locked out by owners of thirteen stone yards.

Window Cleaners: That the committee which visited certain merchants in the interest of their Union had done good work and asked for a committee to visit new window cleaning firm and ask that they employ Union labor. Request complied with and Delegates DeNedrey and McCarthy were appointed as a committee.

Adjourned.

ARTHUR PUE GORMAN

A star hath fled that lighted Maryland's crown,
A glory from her land hath swift departed;
One, kingly midst the realms of mind, laid down
Amidst the dead, the free and fearless hearted.
A keen regret thro' every soul was darted
When thou, the great, was numbered with the dead,
And cheeks grew pale, and strong men wept and started
To think within the grave thy kingly head
Was bowed; but thou has left the world a name,
And more, some golden deeds that will not perish,
That write thee deathless on the scroll of fame—
Sweet words of love that every home will cherish.
So rest thee with the great who guided helm,
Mightier wast thou than those of sword and realm.

—O. T. BEAUMONT.

Barbecue at Luna Park.

Local No. 148, Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, will give an outing to Luna Park next Wednesday. In addition to many attractive sporting events a barbecue, preceded by a beef and lamb dressing contest, will prove a novel and interesting event.

The committee in charge report a great many tickets sold for the outing, and there is no doubt that one of the greatest crowds of the season will greet Local No. 148 at its outing.

This Takes the Limit.

A shirt-making firm in Philadelphia, running a "model" open shop, subjected their employes, about 180 persons, mostly girls, to a tax of 50 cents a week for power and for the use of a machine, five cents a week for towels and soap, two cents a week for drinking water, five cents a week in summer time for ice and five cents a week in winter for heat and light, in all about $125 a week from the whole force. Repeated requests for the abolition of these exactions were denied, until finally the girls went on a strike and got what they wanted. And this happened, too, in the City of Brotherly Love.—*Baltimore Leader.*

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An Enjoyable Day Spent at Historic Marshall Hall.

The members and friends of Bartenders League, No. 75, turned out in force at the fifth annual excursion of that organization on Tuesday at Marshall Hall.

The various committees in charge of the arrangements of the excursion deserve credit for the manner in which they performed their respective duties, and this applies equally to all committees.

The committee on sports prepared a program that was amply satisfactory to all present, covering all features that go to make an enjoyable day's outing.

The ball game was one of the star attractions of the day, The Indians falling victims to the Bartenders by a score of 5 to 0.

The lucky holders in the drawing of admission ticket prizes were Ralph Russell (1088), Gus Brill (1324), and ticket 1570 (holder unknown).

SPORTING EVENTS.

One hundred yard race (bartenders only)—George Misel, first; Joe Tennant, second.

Sack race—Mrs. George Kolb, first; Mrs. John Grigsby, second.

Fifty yard race—Miss Katie Oldson, first; Miss Alice Crowley, second.

Egg race—Mrs. J. McGilton, first; Mrs. B. V. Walz, second.

Potato race—Mrs. Alice Bean, first; Mrs. Alex. Ricker, second.

Seventy-five yard dash—Paul Dailey, first; Robert Grigsby, second; J. Grigsby, third.

Base ball: Bartenders won. W. T. Robertson won prize for largest individual hit.

Quoit pitching—W. T. Bratzell, first; Tom Crowley.

Bound Over to Grand Jury.

Judge Kimball, sitting in the United States Police Court, on Wednesday, rendered his decision in the case of the seventeen brewery workers and bottlers' employees charged with conspiracy, growing out of the bottlers' strike, and asked bond in each case to be held for the grand jury.

Joseph Auerbach, 623 Penna. ave., sells the Manhattan Negligee Shirts.

Boom the Label.

With the news of every strike comes the announcement that the employers have organized to fight the issue. They organize for no other purpose than to destroy the unions. It therefore behooves organized labor to stand together and throw up breastworks that will be invincible. The best show of strength is in the label, and the greatest good that can be done is to further its use, demanding the union label and asking others to do likewise should be a matter of principle. We must back up our label by demanding the label on what we buy. "Every little bit helps." Boom the label.—*Typographical Journal.*

Joseph Auerbach, 623 Penna., ave., sells the Brigham & Hopkins Baltimore make straw hats.

DAYS OF AULD LANG SYNE.

Interesting Article on Old Members of Columbia Typographical Union.

There are not many printers in the Government Printing Office who do not know Nicholas Watkins, and a few words concerning him and his long service in the office and the Union may prove interesting.

He is, in length of service, among the oldest Union printers in the Government service, having entered the office in 1861, after its purchase from Cornelius Wendell, and with one or two intermissions has been there ever since.

Mr. Watkins is a gentleman of the old school, now, unfortunately fast disappearing, dignified, courteous, generous, and kind hearted, the very soul of truth and honor, and his keen intelligence, wonderful memory, fund of reminiscence, and recollection of scenes of the stirring times of long ago make his companionship a delight to all who know him.

Mr. Watkins learned his trade at Annapolis, on the old Maryland *Republican*, and at an early age had charge of the Maryland State printing. Coming to Washington he joined the old Typographical Society that was organized in 1816, was active in that organization and introduced the original resolution requiring that organization to take out a charter from the International Typographical Union, thus merging the Typographical Society into Columbia Typographical Union, Mr. Watkins, as the author of that resolution, being the father of Columbia Union, a charter member, and active in its affairs ever since.

Previous to this time he was employed at the old Globe Printing Office, conducted by John C. Rives. Mr. Rives had the contract for doing the Senate printing, while Cornelius Wendell had the contract for the printing of the House of Representatives.

There were no plates in those days, and many were the tricks of the trade resorted to to make the Government printing profitable to the contractor. When a book or large job was printed the type was tied up and put on the live table and in a few weeks a resolution would quietly slip through the House ordering a reprint, the type picked up, printed, and charged for as new matter. A few weeks later a resolution would slip through the Senate ordering an edition of the same book, when the Wendell establishment would borrow the type from Rives and the work charged to the House as new matter and full price, and so continue until the last dollar had been squeezed out, when the type would be distributed and the job considered dead.

The old Typographical Society, mentioned above, occupies a unique place in the history of trade unionism. It probably had the highest standing of any labor organization that ever existed in this country, and one of the most prominent stones in the Washington Monument bears the name of the Columbia Typographical Society. Its members were of intelligence and character, and such was its standing in the community that on the evening when its meetings were held the Select Council would adjourn over to allow the Typographical Society to meet in the Council chamber. Its members were very proud of their organization and a great many were reluctant to desert the old Society and go into the Union, fearing that when every tramp printer who came here with a card was admitted to full membership their organization would lose its exclusiveness, and hence lower its character. But Mr. Watkins pressed his resolution, fearing that unless the old organization were given up there would be two unions here, with consequent ruinous trade competition, and after securing sufficient pledges to warrant its passage the meeting was held, and when it became apparent that the resolution would pass about seventy of the members walked out of the hall, to return at a later meeting, however, and become charter members of Columbia Union.

The old Typographical Society held its existence for some years after this as a benevolent association, it having some Government bonds and some funds invested, and the revenue from this kept the organization alive until the adoption of the death benefit feature of the Union, when its funds were divided up pro rata and the Society went out of existence.

Now, there are very few of these old charter members on the rolls of the Union to-day, all old men, and I want to suggest that the Union tender some sort of testimonial to these aged veterans. They devoted the best years of their lives to the promotion of our Union. They are the men whose sturdy efforts in the interest of the craft have built up the grand organization that we are so proud of to-day. Their whitened heads should be a silver halo in our fond remembrance, for every wrinkle in their furrowed countenances but marks a step in the struggle of Unionism, and now that they are old and growing feeble let us give them to understand that we will keep in grateful remembrance the services they gave to maintain the principles we are to-day enjoying the benefits of, and that the closing pages of their fruitful lives will be ended with the imprint of love.

So far as we can learn the members of the old Typographical Society still on the rolls of the Union are Nicholas Watkins, William Maloney, B. C. Wright, George R. McNeir, John Goodrick, Thomas Alliger, T. W. Howard, William Sweeney, Samuel Mullan, "Lute" Woodward, and Perry Brown, Messrs. Watkins, Maloney, Howard, McNeir, and Sweeney being ex-presidents of the Union.

BROCKWELL'S BITS.

In the language of my old friend "Windy" Brooke, "Get together"—on the label, on eight hours, and on the ten per cent.

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How lucky are printers! Those meat-shop exposures came at just the proper time to make it easy—and fashionable—to adopt a vegetable diet while we are paying the ten per cent assessment.

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A band of Pueblo Indians, a Colorado Springs paper says, recently gave an entertainment and dance, in full costume, at the Union Printers' Home. How such a performance must have recalled scenes of other days to many of the dear old "Indians" now stopping at Brother Deacon's hotel.

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Walter Johns, late of the Main Proof Room, will sail for the Philippines in a few days—after a short visit among friends at his old home in Pennsylvania. He will certainly carry with him on his long journey the respect, admiration, and warm good wishes of all who knew him in the Government Printing Office. I have known Mr. Johns for something like ten years, and his acquaintance and friendship have been a source of much pleasure to me. As a printer, as a friend, as a clear-headed and clean-hearted gentleman I have not met his superior. I wish him all success, every happiness, and a safe return (when it suits his pleasure) to his native land.

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There is an establishment down by the Navy Yard (Bieber-Kaufman Co.) where the label is a very "live take" in all ways. Not only are the proprietors making a most earnest and commendable effort to supply their customers with all kinds of label-bearing goods, but when printed matter comes to them without the label of the Allied Printing Trades the sender hears from it "right away quick." At least a dozen jobbers and wholesalers who deal with the house have recently been touched up in this way, with very good effect, a member of the firm tells me. These are the kind of friends that are very helpful. Let's help them whenever we can, and thereby make more of the same kind.

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The editor of the *Trades Union News* not having been arrested for libel during the month of May, and the grand jury having ignored the Rothkugel case, we are in position to accept congratulations.

The above is from Shelby Smith's paper, being headed "Special notice" and reenforced with double leads. Although June is still young, it seems that the deadly dullness of the doleful dogdays has settled upon the militant (not to say multitudinous) Shelby. It is a safe bet, however, that this placid state of things will be of short duration, and that the stormy petrel of union (and other) politics will soon be again whirling over and through the waves and battling for what he considers the right—whether he lands in jail or the legislature.

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Here is a description of a creature many of us have had the misfortune to meet. It was handed me by my good friend Eugene Andrew, and while we do not know who gave it to the world we both agree with its sentiments and think it well that it should be passed along:

A scab is to his trade what a traitor is to his country, and though both may be useful in troublesome times, they are detested by all when peace returns. A scab is the last to contribute assistance when help is needed, and the first te grasp benefits he never labored to procure. He cares only for himself. He sees not beyond the extent of a day. For a monetary consideration he would betray his friends, family, and country. In short, he is a traitor on a small scale, who first sells the workingman, and is himself afterwards sold in his turn by his employer, until at last he is despised by both and detested by all.

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From the far-away Everglades comes a letter from my old friend Stonewall Jackson Triplett, now president of Jacksonville (Fla.) Union, No. 162, and also business agent of the Central Labor Union of that city. Here is an interesting paragraph:

The morning paper locked out twenty-one of our men on February 5, and the H. & W. B. Drew Company refused fifteen men the eight hours; but we are giving them the hardest run for their money they ever had and will win in spite of the Standard Oil magnate—Flagler.

The twenty-one morning newspaper men are from the Florida *Times-Union* office, and were locked out because they asked for the discharge of an objectionable foreman—W. D. Yarrington.

Here is another paragraph from Trip's letter which will cause his old companions hereabouts to wonder as well as to be glad:

It may sound strange, but I have not tasted the stuff for years, and when I quit it was for keeps. In fact, I got my share and am not entitled to any more.

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"Ten per cent. That's all," is the way Charlie Gunn put it last week. Nay, nay, good friend. It is not necessary to examine the official roster to know that you are not a chairman. That troubled tribe know that it's not all. The lowering scowl, the baleful glare, the maddening sneer, the furious kick, the mighty roar—all these come at times like these to the man who peddles the card and the assessment receipt. Surely he has woes amany and trials manifold. His song is something like "There's a mighty heap of trouble on the old man's mind since ten per cent came due." But by much massaging of his face the hurting thereof is somewhat relieved; by prayerfully wrestling with his temper (if he is amateur enough to have any) his tongue produces only the most dulcet and soothing sounds; by patience really beautiful and kindness almost heavenly he holds the "hot ones" which the layman hands out; and lo! before the five-day limit has expired (let us hope) the people come across, he passes the ducats over to the waiting secretary, and all is well. "Peace hath her victories no less renowned than war."

W. N. BROCKWELL.

I. T. U. Election Results.

The official count discloses the election of the following officers in the recent I. T. U. election:

Trustees Union Printers' Home—Thomas F. Crowley, W. J. White, L. C. Shepard, and T. D. Fennessy.

Delegates to American Federation of Labor Convention—Frank K. Foster, Frank Morrison, Hugh Stevenson, and Michael Colbert.

A Presentation Follows Graduation.

Messrs. S. J. Battles and L. J. Clements, having completed a course in medicine, their associates of the Night Bill Force, G. P. O., commemorated the occasion on Tuesday evening by presenting each of these gentlemen with a case designed for carrying the implements of their chosen profession. The presentation speech was made by Mr. F. C. Roberts.

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Labor Unions and Their Enemies.

FIFTH PAPER.

Labor people should do everything in their power to extend their organizations. It will cost some money, as well as much thought, patience, and energy. If labor organizations were more extended, and more united in matters affecting labor interests, strikes would be fewer, and those few more successful. The money which has been lost in strikes in the last ten years would have enabled the labor forces to be much more strongly organized than they are now. The failures of the past should teach labor people valuable lessons and guide them to future successes; but it seems that the memories of labor people are often too short. They should never forget a friend or an enemy, and they should hold to the rule that the most conservative labor organization is better and more effective than several competing organizations, and that to be successful at an early a day as possible they must hold together, even if the whole body of labor unions of every kind is held back by the conservative action of one organization. We should have not only unions of organizations, but unions of hands and hearts, where each is striving for the good of all, and all for the good of each. Of course in such a war as working people are waging for the betterment of their conditions, some will have to suffer more than others, but the individual interest must give way to the interest of all. In actual war small bodies often have to bear the weight of superior forces to save the whole command, and often forlorn hopes are necessary, where soldiers are put in the greatest jeopardy that the army may be successful. So it is in the war between capital and labor, and the spirit of the workers should prompt them to accept positions of danger, however great the danger may be.

The larger the body of men united in any cause the greater danger of dissension. Capitalists often count upon dissension in the ranks of the unions, and not unseldom they bribe, or attempt to bribe, members to cause dissensions in our ranks. The best remedy for dissensions is prudence in the affairs of the unions and cultivating the habit of submission to the majority. However strenuously measures may be promoted or combated, when they are decided the contest should be ended and all units in carrying out the will of the majority. Of course there are times when bad men get control of affairs, but loyalty to the union and activity in bringing the best members together will soon enable the evil and dangerous elements to be controlled without injury to labor interests. The referendum is a great pacifier, and if unions would universally adopt it in elections of officers and adoption of policies the disgrace which has attached to some unions in the past from the selection of bad men for officers would be avoided. True devotion to the cause of labor should inspire every unionist, and such devotion will enable every union to surmount difficulties that otherwise might destroy it. In all matters pertaining to the success of unionism the sentiment should be—the union first and all other things secondary. If the good of the union is made secondary to other things, it cannot succeed as it should.

And members of unions should take a more active part in public affairs. They may do this as citizens and party men rather than as labor men, but the ideas of union labor should be injected more and more into governmental affairs, first that labor men may become more and more competent to fill public positions, and the laws be amended or construed more and more in the interests of labor people. The men of the country should rule the country, and the influence of the union should be set against the influence of wealth and social distinction. When a distinguished public officer was criticised for his action in issuing bonds to raise money for the use of the Government he said that when money was wanted it was wisest to go to the men who had or controlled money, and he went to the bankers of the country. Events have since proved that if he had gone to the people he would have got the money from the working people and farmers and small merchants. Such men love their country, and it could have had their surplus earning to an amount far greater than was demanded and on terms much more reasonable. It is the plain people, as Lincoln called them, who have the greatest interest in this country, and it is this class of people outside of labor organizations that the cause of labor must look to for support and make every effort to win to their side.

The printers of the country are now making a fight for an eight-hour day. It is the most important movement by a great labor union in the new century. It ought to succeed. Is it too much to hope that it will succeed? The cause should bring to the printers the sympathy and aid of all labor organizations in the country, as well as the sympathy and support of those who wish to see civilization advance among men. Working people should refuse to patronize any printing establishment which required its employees to labor over eight hours in any twenty-four. If any magazines refuse to concede to this demand of the printers every friend of the eight-hour day should refuse to buy such magazines, or advertise in them, or patronize them in any way. If this is done the patronage of the magazines will fall off, and in consequence their advertising must fall off and they must lose more than they could possibly lose by granting an eight-hour day. Those who refuse the just demands of the laborer cannot expect to have the support of the friends of labor.

It is time that labor people cultivated their memories. Let it be known that labor people will not forget their friends or their enemies, and they will have far less enemies than they have now. Let it be known that men who have refused to support the just demands of labor in our legislatures and in Congress, cannot have the votes of labor men for any office in the future, and more attention will be paid to our demands. Let every candidate for Congress and the State legislatures be questioned as to how he stands upon labor questions, and as to how he will vote when labor questions come before him, and we will not have so many enemies, or so many indifferent to the demands of labor in those bodies. Let us emancipate every worker so he will vote his true sentiments at the polls and not the sentiments of his employer. Let our motto be—"We never forget!" Let us teach the world that we are in earnest, that we are in this fight to a finish, and that we will remember the men who insult us, or who deceive us, or betray us, and that our contempt shall wither the men who bribe or attempt to bribe voters, as well as those who accept the bribes. This fight requires brave men, honest men, who know what they want, and how to get it, and who will never give it up until the victory is theirs.

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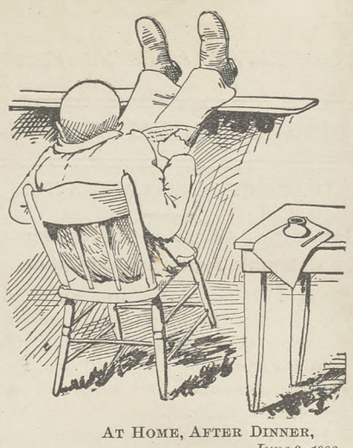

AT HOME, AFTER DINNER,
June 3, 1906.

There was a big stink when the big stick hit the beef trust.

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The greatest sorrows sometimes yield the greatest blessings.

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Life is what you make it, provided you hold both bowers and the joker.

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Tax the individual if you would raise a breeze sufficient to float an airship.

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The thirst-on season has arrived, when straws at soda fountains are waiting for suckers.

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Under the circumstances four per and eight hours is a greater inducement than a crown and chariot and franking privileges in Spain.

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The decision of the Adventists to terminate all things mundane in 1929 may bring out a hurry-up order to increase the working force on the Panama Canal.

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Help is so scarce in Delaware that the peach growers are offering inducements for hoboes to assist in gathering the crop. We had somewhere read that the peach crop was a blank failure.

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The thing which most stands in the way of suffrage for the District of Columbia is the natural fear or distrust of those who would be first to make the welkin ring in their claims for recognition.

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By the death of Senator Gorman, of Maryland, the printing fraternity and people of all crafts have lost a real friend whose memory will ever be cherished by reason of his many just and kindly deeds.

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Grover Cleveland came to long enough the other day to indorse his own former tariff views, when John Sharp Williams whispered something calculated to make the Ex-President appear like an expunged paragraph.

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The profile of Hon. Caleb Powers, which recently appeared in THE TRADES UNIONIST, bore a striking rssemblance to L. R. Steely, of the Specification Division. The two are natives of Kentucky and were schoolmates at one time.

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J. W. McCann has been granted a patent for his dummy keyboard, which is useful to those wishing to acquire skill in manipulation as Lanston operators. It has been on the market for a year or more and has met with quite ready sale.

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A careful reading of beef trust methods in the indecent preparation of meats for market and their skillful preservation to avoid odoriferousness does not appeal pleasantly to the extremely sensitive or particularly fastidious epicurean.

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Colonel Bryan's last letter of travels was dated Calcutta, India. There are a few people in this country who would be pleased if the Colonel would meet with some tempting offer which would be a sufficient inducement for him to remain abroad permanently.

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There is an excellent profit in that business which allows a good margin after the Shylocks have clipped from ten to fifteen per cent from good commercial paper as an "accommodation." The general public are little aware of the exorbitant profits they annually pay into the coffers of these pirates of trade.

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Miss Margaret A. Evans, of Specifications, each year sends a Decoration Day offering to be placed at the tomb of the lamented McKinley, who, in life, was her friend and official benefactor. Family friendships as neighbors of former years were not forgotten by Mr. McKinley as Congressman or President. Acknowledgement of the flowers bears the post-frank of Mrs. McKinley.

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Major John E. Rastall, of Specifications, is in receipt of a booklet issued by the Sanyo (Japan) Railway Co., and printed at Kobe by Japanese printers. The booklet is of the tourist style, descriptive of the country traversed by the great Sanyo and connecting lines, with maps and picturesque embellishments. It is printed in English, and for artistic design and development would be a credit to any publishing house in this country. A son of Major Rastall is employed by the Sanyo Company as civil engineer.

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Even Rockefeller is not so rotten bad as the jokes about him.

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The application of the "gag" rule no doubt meets the approval of the theatrical "ham."

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A PACKINGTOWN QUATRAIN.

Novelists with rakes remind us
We can quit the common ruck,
And departing leave behind us
Warning footprints in the muck.

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There is some consolation in the thought that parliamentary liars generally belong in the denatured class.

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W. H. Berry is the gubernatorial candidate of the Pennsylvania Prohibitionists. They hope he will prove a pippin.

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The discordant squeaks of Washington baseball cranks are due to the fact that they have been turned the wrong way recently.

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John D. Rockefeller has been enjoying a trip on the ocean. But in the meantime he will not forego the additional pleasure of keeping his business rivals at sea as usual.

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HELPS SOME.

Pert paragraphers, making hits
From every point of view,
Disclose that in the war of wits
The slap-stick helps some, too.

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"The Pied Piper of Hamelin" has been set to music by a composer named Hubert Parry. As the "Pied Piper" was a disgruntled rat-catcher, our Mr. Parry might appropriately have set him to music.

WILLIAM TIPTON TALBOTT.

JUST EVERY DAY LIFE.

I will admit, Judge, that there is a spirit of freemasonry among the "men on the road" that the "local" will never learn; yet at the same time fail to subscribe to the proposition that because a young man hails from a small town or has never "carried the banner" he must needs be destitute of the principles of brotherhood. A few years since a goodly number of young men came in from the States. Ere they had scarce mastered the routine of the office there came a clarion call to arms. Following the lead of Lee and Lawton, the boy, turning his back upon the workshop, wore the blue at Santiago. Of such stuff, Judge, are heroes made.

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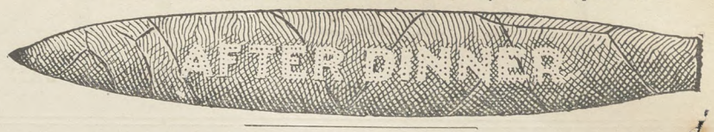

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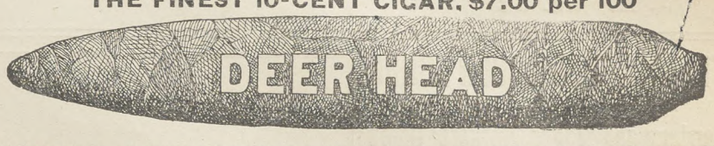

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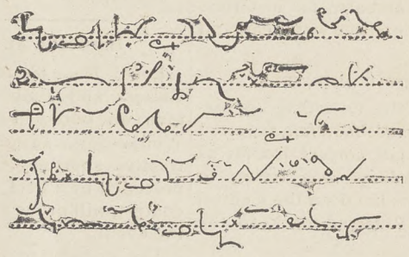

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First Division—John R. Purvis.
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Document Proof Room—E. H. Thomas.
Congressional Record—Geo. H. Hayden.
Record Proof Room—W. N. Brockwell.

G. P. O. BRANCHES.

Treasury Division—W. Brice Coston.
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State Division—D. S. McConnel.
Navy Department Division—Albert E. Ogg.
War Department Division—H. P. McCormack.
Agricultural Division—Guy W. McCord.
Library Division—H. V. Bisbee.

DOWN TOWN CHAPELS.

Weather Bureau—L. H. Emmons.
Morning Post—W. L. Perkins.
Evening Star—Joseph C. Whyte.
Evening Times—J. W. Allerton.
Trades Unionist—Alex. Heron.
Law Reporter—H. F. Montgomery.
Judd & Detweiler's—A. B. Barringer.
National Publishing Co.—Walter Brown.
Army and Navy Register—Ernest Gibson.
General Postoffice—B. F. Crossfield.
Sudwarth's—John S. Frick.
Pearson's—F. O. Hart.
Milans—J. A. Berkeley.

GOSSIP FROM THE G. P. O.

Sixth Division.

The Bindery Girls Union has selected June 14, at Luna Park, as the time and place for their annual outing.

H. C. Town completed his leave of absence for this year last Friday. Like others, "Tommy" could have stood another day or so, at least.

Albert Potter, copy collator of the Sixth Division, used up what remained of his annual leave last week, and reports a good time roaming up and down the Potomac.

Arthur Coykendall is assisting Dr. Radley in the management of the Sixth Division during the absence of L. P. Kenny. Mr. Coykendall is holding down a chair at the copy desk.

Machinist Dan Clark, of the Sixth Division, made a hurried trip to his home in Williamsport, Pa., last Friday night on receipt of a telegram announcing that his home was burning. It proved to be a false alarm, however, as it was the house next door. Mr. Clark returned Tuesday.

The many friends of James E. Bright, of the G. P. O., will sincerely sympathize with him over the death of a brother, which occured on Monday. The late Mr. Bright was an old and highly respected citizen of Washington, and was a member of the Giuteau jury which sent the assassin of President Garfield to the gallows.

A little girl made her appearance last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy P. Calfee, Dr. DeWitt C. Chadwick officiating. Mrs. Calfee (*nee* Carrie L. Whitehead) will be well remembered as a former member of the *Gazette* Chapel, where for a number of years she labored and was one of the most popular ladies ever connected with the G. P. O.

Flag day occurs next Thursday, and as a fitting celebration of the event the employes of the G. P. O. will assemble in front of the main building, and, led by a number of brass instruments, join in patriotic songs. Let everybody turn out and sing loud enough to be heard by Representative Landis on the Hill. Maybe we will get those extra four days leave.

C. Percy Rhodes, of the G. P. O. Proof Room, was one of the witnesses called in the St. Elizabeth Asylum investigation recently conducted. Mr. Rhodes said that he had often visited the Asylum in the interest of the Christian Endeavor Society, and that it was his personal opinion that the management of the institution could not be much improved upon.

By a little skillful workmanship in printing from two plates, E. E. Richards, of this Division, has recently succeeded in printing an exceptionally fine photographic picture of a Washington street scene. In order to get the proper light under the huge shade trees, a bright sunshine day was necessary for one exposure, while a cloudy day was selected for the proper portrayal of the sky. The photo is one of genuine merit.

At a special musical service on Sunday evening given by the choir of Grace Episcopal Church, Ninth and D streets southwest, Mr. James S. Graves sang a tenor solo, "Praise Ye the Father," at the offertory. Mr. Graves is one of the well-known G. P. O. singers, and is connected with the folding room. At the recent Ricketts testimonial meeting he sang the solo "Anchored," which gained for him many admirers who heard him for the first time that evening.

A member of the Sixth Division last week returned some printed matter not bearing the label to Edward O. Pigeon, D. D. S., manager of the U. S. Dental Parlors. A letter was received by return mail from Mr. Pigeon saying his printing was done in a union shop which had neglected to put the label thereon. He further said: "I am in perfect sympathy with the eight-hour movement, and would never do any thing antagonistic to good labor and prosperous homes." Good for Mr. Pigeon. He's a bird.

For the first time since the establishment of a chapel for the day *Record* genuine enthusiasm was shown in the election of a chairman. The nominations were made on Friday at noon and the election ordered the following noon in order to give the candidates a chance to make a door-knob campaign during the evening. The stalwarts placed George Fletcher in nomination for reelection, while the insurgents in caucus the night before, by drawing lots, choose Louis Lippincott for the sacrifice. It was a battle of ballots between brothers, and required a fixed and study purpose of mind to meet the issue, but previous campaigns had taught the smooth Alabamian a few tricks, and by the judicious use of a bag of peanuts George Fletcher succeeded in holding his forces in line and capturing the election.

In connection with last week's item concerning Mr. Johnstone, of the Sixth Division, and his homer pigeon loft, I learn that there are others of the G. P. O. who are interested in the spirit of homer pigeon races and who maintain lofts. Chas. F. Ruppert, of the Lanston castor force, maintains a loft at his home 18th and Bennings Road, as does James Greenwood, a Lanston operator of the Fourth Division. Every week shipments of birds are made to places from 500 to 1000 miles distant from Washington, and then the boys and their friends assemble at the lofts and anxiously watch for the home coming of the bird, the distance being covered in from six to ten hours after liberation, much depending on wind and weather conditions. For my interest in the matter I have been offered a $10 pigeon egg, but having no way to hatch it, I see a fortune of many thousand dollars gradually drifting from me.

A general order has been issued creating a commission for the purpose of revising and bringing up to date the manual of style now in use by the G. P. O. The commission is composed of Chas. M. Robinson, Ed. Ryan, Arthur F. Bloomer, Wm. Reed, and Ed. H. Thomas, and I understand from members of the commission that any suggestions for the betterment of the style book will be welcomed. There is no doubt but the present manual of style is in need of revision and a more simple way adopted for finding what is wanted. But all the style books issued will not help to facilitate correct composition in the G. P. O. as long as Departments prepare copy one way, the G. P. O. preparer another way and the proofreader marks it different from either preparation. It has always been a question in the minds of compositors the need of a copy-preparing force when the proofreader has power to change that preparation, and it is pretty safe to say that the operators and compositors throughout the shop will welcome the day when the manual of style is brought up to date and simplified, and when the copy preparers will be changed to copy editors and the proofreaders instructed to read according to preparation regardless of their own interpretation. As will be observed, the personnel of the commission, with the exception of Mr. Ryan, are men whose experience in the Proof Room cover many years. Mr. Ryan however, is young and ambitious, a close student of Proof Room affairs, and will undoubtedly prove a valuable member.

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Label Agitation.

The "Omaha plan," recently inaugurated by the *Western Laborer*, of Omaha, is doing good work. A leading merchant of that city is here quoted:

"It's funny how this label agitation is keeping up," said Stryker, the shoe man, one day this week. "When the League first began its work we did not feel its effect for a month or two. Men would come in, ask for a pair of shoes; look them over; if they had the label on they bought and said nothing. Then one would say, after looking over a shoe, 'I like that shoe, but want the label in it.' Later on the men would say they wanted a shoe with the label on it. Sometimes they come to the door, stop, and say: 'Have you got shoes with the label in?' Now I notice that it is a common thing for men who have been buying with me for a long time to at once ask for the label. The other day a young fellow came in and said: 'I have been to three other shoe stores trying to get nobby low shoes with the label, but failed. Have you got them?' It just happened that we had received a stock of the kind he was looking for, the day before. We notice that the young fellows are asking for the label now. Saturday night one young man said: 'I have been in the union four years, but this is the first time I have asked for the label.' The League men are certainly making good with their 'Omaha plan' of boosting the label."

The Best Union Man.

"It is not those who make the greatest noise in the world that accomplish the most for the union," says *Shoe Workers' Journal*. "An empty wagon rattles the loudest." People of great force and strong will are not forever asserting themselves. The one who silently resolves and watchfully waits is sure to conquer in the end. Bluster is not courage. Noise is not power, and a rude and dominating manner is no evidence of determination or force of character.

Many people make a mistake just here. They are so afraid that they will be considered weak that they adopt an abrupt on-the-defensive air, which is very unpleasant. Gentleness is no bar to forcefulness. The man who has the most force in his home, in the community and in the union is usually the calm gentleman who silently works out his plans and patiently waits for them to develop.

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"There are more children under fifteen years of age working in the mills of free America than in Germany, England, and Italy combined," said Secretary A. J. Melway of the National Child Labor Committee, in an address in Philadelphia recently. "There are more children under sixteen in the mills of Pennsylvania than there are in all the Southern States put together.

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LOCAL AUXILIARIES.

Allied Printing Trades Council meets last Thursday in the month at Typographical Temple. Elmer Johnson, Secretary, No. 2009 Flagler street northwest.

Woman's Auxiliary, No. 13, of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101. Mrs. Bert V. Wolfe, president, 235 Massachusetts avenue northwest; Mrs. E. H. Thomas, secretary, The Bertholdt, 128 Maryland avenue southwest. Meets at Typographical Temple third Monday in each month.

STRUCTURAL BUILDING TRADES.

Structural Building Trades Alliance of America, Washington Branch, meets every Tuesday at 8 p. m. Hall No. 3, Costello's Hall, Sixth and G streets northwest. Thos. E. Arnold, President; James S. O'Hagan, Secretary, 507 S street northwest.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

TO SECRETARIES: Please notify this office of any change in officers' addresses, time or place of meeting. Corrections will be made quarterly.

Central Labor Union meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Typographical Temple. Charles W. Winslow, Secretary, 425 G street northwest. Residence, 3206 Wisconsin avenue northwest.

Bakers Union, No. 118, meets first and third Saturdays in each month at Painter's Hall, 1108 E street northwest. John G. Schmidt, Secretary and Business Agent, 722 Sixth street northeast.

Bartenders' League, No. 75, meets first and fourth Sundays of each month at 2 p. m. Arion Hall, 430 Eighth street northwest. Jere F. McCarthy, Secretary, 905 E street northwest.

Bookbinders, No. 4, meets first Tuesday of each month at Typographical Temple. Jas. A. Stockman Secretary, 735 North Capitol st.

Bricklayers, No. 1, meets second and fourth Thursdays in each month at Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. Milford Spohn, Secretary, 1238 Eighth street northwest.

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Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, No. 5, meets every Friday night at 7.30, in Hall 1, Building Trades Halls, 610 G street northwest. George W. Nyman, Secretary, 1253 Eighth street northwest.

Columbia Typographical Union meets third Sunday in each month in Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest. Geo. G. Seibold, Secretary.

Electrotype Molders and Finishers, No. 17, I. S. and E. U. Meets Wonn's Hall, 721 Sixth street northwest, the first Thursday of each month. H. C. Poppe, Secretary-Treasurer.

Hod Carriers and Building Laborers Union, No. 21, meets first and third Mondays in each month, Cadets Armory, 708 O street northwest. Dennis Brown, Secretary, 1212 Fourth street northwest.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, Amalgamated, No. 148, meets second and fourth Wednesdays at 922 Pennsylvania avenue n. w. Martin Hellmuth, Secretary, 609 D street southwest.

Plate Printers Union, No. 2, meets on second Sunday in each month at 2.30 p. m., at Typographical Temple, 425 G street northwest. J. Edward Beach, President; J. C. Staats, Secretary Kensington, Md.

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Stenographers, Typewriters, Bookkeepers and Assistants Union, No. 11773, meets the first Tuesday in each month at 7.30 p. m., Spanish Veterans Hall, 719 Sixth street northwest. Frank F. Hartwell, Secretary, 49 Bates street northwest.

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, First Branch, meets every alternate Monday evening at 610 G street northwest, Building Trades Hall. President, R. R. Rhodes. Financial and Recording Secretary, Fred Hook, 1034 Sixth street northeast. Business Agent, W. F. Gilmore, 624 Sixth street northwest.

Tile Setters Helpers, Local No. 12, meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month in Room No. 3, Building Trades Halls, 624 Sixth street northwest. J. Pettis, Recording Secretary, 3409 N street northwest.

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NAVY YARD ITEMS.

Owing to the scarcity of work a num- of pattern makers were furloughed Saturday.

There is one member of the House, at least, who is interested in the welfare of the employes of the Navy Yard. I refer to Representative Bingham, of Pennsylvania, who has introduced a bill granting all employees of navy yards, naval stations, and arsenals a Saturday half holiday with pay for the months of July, August and September of each year.

Sunday work in the Yard has been stopped for the summer. The hurried work has been completed and we are now resting on our oars, as it were, waiting for the special order granting us "the Saturday half holiday." We have earned it, and it should be our reward for duty well performed.

Acting Secretary of the Navy, Truman H. Newberry, has issued a circular that an examination of applicants will be held at the Navy Yard June 13, or as soon thereafter as practicable, for filling the position of chief electrician of the Yard, made vacant by the resignation of W. H. Reid, who leaves the Government service to accept the superintendency of a large electric plant in the West. Mr. Reid simply exchanges a $1,400 salary under the Government for a $5,000 by private parties. And yet we are called mendicants.

George W. Keck, a coppersmith employed in the Yard, committed suicide at his residence in Baltimore last week. Previous to being employed in the Yard he had been holding the position of captain of the inspection force in the Baltimore custom house for more than a quarter of a century. It is thought by his friends that losing his position and being compelled to resume his trade caused despondency to such an extent as to affect his mind. He was a leader in the Republican ranks of Baltimore, and wielded a great influence in the section of the city in which he resided.

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CHICAGO BEEF.

Tell me, oh ye savants
In bovine lore well skilled,
If there's a place known unto man
Where tender meat is killed.
Sirloin or Round, Rump Steak or Rib,
It matters not how dress'd,
The meat we get in Washington
No ostrich could digest.

We steam and stew, and roast and bake,
All arts of cooking try
To make the meat eat fresh and sweet,
But pshaw, "its all in my eye."
While this unequal war we wage
Against the bovine race,
I dare not look, for very shame,
A sick cow in the face.

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MENDICANTS.

A distinguished United States Senator recently said, in speaking of Government employes: "They are a hungry, persistent band of mendicants, seeking to dragoon and boycott Congress by their demands, because of the fact that they are an organized body of subordinates."

Webster defines mendicant as a beggar. Johnson defines beggar as one who supplicates with humility, a petitioner.

In the Declaration of Independence we read "that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

Strange as it may seem to the readers of THE TRADES UNIONIST, I am going to agree with the distinguished Senator.

From the little child who kneels at its mother's side and lifts its tiny voice in supplication, as it repeats—

Now I lay me down to sleep,
I pray the Lord my soul to keep,

to the President of this great republic, when he utters that portion of the Lord's prayer—

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us—

all are mendicants.

A Congressman during a campaign, when he is appealing to his constituency for election, is but a mendicant. Even the Senator, when he makes his appeal to the Legislature of his State, no matter in what form that appeal is made, is truly a mendicant.

We used to hear of the office seeking the man, but that theory was exploded many years ago. But let us get to the meat of the nut. The Government employe, I claim, is doubly a mendicant. In the first place, after securing an appointment he is dependent on Congress for his wages. (I beg pardon of the Government clerk, I should have said salary, as that has more tone.) In the second place he is prohibited by executive order from petitioning Congress for any increase of wage (there it goes again; I mean salary) unless through the head of the Department in which he may be employed. As a rule, we do not find philantrophists at the head of any branch of the Government, therefore it is necessary for a Government employe to exact all the energy possible in the discharge of his duty to prove to his chief that his services to the Government are worth more than his wage. Even this is often a failure, as the quiet, plodding, and faithful emplove is often forgotten for the blustering "hot air" employe who impresses his chief with his great importance.

The Government employe is in a still worse condition as a mendicant. A member of the House or a Senator can abuse him in any manner he may see fit. There is no redress. He must remain the "tower of silence," for well he knows the inevitable result. Any attempt on his part to strike back means to him a polite invitation to step down and out "for the good of the service," and the places that know them now will know them no more forever. This is one of the beauties of the Declaration of Independence, which guarantees life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

Therefore I say, in agreeing with the distinguished Senator, that the Government employe, no matter what position he may hold, is doubly a mendicant, depending on his Creator for life, health, and the blessings of a home and depending on Congress for such a remuneration as will provide for their comfort.

I congratulate the distinguished Senator because of his honesty in expressing in words what he believes in his heart. He holds out no flattery to organized labor with one hand, while in the other he carries the stilletto. But with all his honesty of purpose there is one feature which he seems to have entirely forgotten. That is the platform of the Christ—the golden rule: Do unto others as ye would have them do unto you. The Senator has been reared in luxury. Never in his life has he felt the sting of poverty. His lines have been drawn in pleasant places. He, like the writer, has passed over the summit of the mountain of life and is journeying downward to its close. A few years at the most his dust will mingle with the dust of the Government employe. His spirit must meet the spirit of the Government employe before the Court of last resort, who can interpret those words: "As ye have done it unto the least of these ye have also done it unto me."

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